

Reference: 2026-079

Thank you for your email in which you requested the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA):

A list of current contracts for ICT services, network and connectivity, telephony and unified communications, data centre or hosting, enterprise software (finance, HR, housing, social care or similar) and programme or project management services. For each contract please give the supplier name, a short description, the start date, the end date, any extension options, the annual or total value and the job title of the contract owner.

Response

Regarding the job title of the contract owner, contracts are managed by members of the SFO Commercial Team.

In line with our obligations, the SFO publishes procurement information on Contracts Finder. This includes information such as the supplier's name, a short description, the start date, the end date, and the annual or total value. You can find this information at:

- [SFO - Contracts Finder](#)
- [SFO Annual Report and Accounts 2025-26](#)

This addresses the majority of the information you have requested. The one element not published on Contracts Finder is details of any extension options within these contracts. This information is exempt from disclosure under section 43(2) of the FOIA.

Section 43(2) of the FOIA deals with commercial interests and provides that:

Information is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the public authority holding it).

How the exemption is engaged

Extension options are not routinely published on Contracts Finder because disclosing them in advance could prejudice the SFO's commercial interests. Specifically, revealing whether and on what terms a contract might be extended could weaken the SFO's negotiating position. It could also prejudice the commercial interests of suppliers by signalling to competitors the likely future shape of the contract or the client relationship. This information is therefore exempt from disclosure under section 43(2) of the FOIA.

Public interest test

Section 43 of FOIA is a qualified exemption. As such, it requires consideration of whether the public interest in exempting the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing whether the public authority holds the information. More information about exemptions in general and the public interest test is available on the ICO's website at www.ico.org.uk.

We recognise the public interest in transparency around the SFO's use of public resources and funding, including its contractual commitments. We consider that this interest is served by the information already published on [Contracts Finder - GOV.UK](#) and in our Annual Report

and Accounts, which covers supplier names, contract descriptions, durations and values. In relation specifically to extension options, we have not identified a public interest that would outweigh the risk of prejudice to the SFO's and suppliers' commercial interests described above, since disclosure of this specific detail would not materially add to public understanding of SFO spending or performance, while the risk to the SFO's negotiating position and supplier competitiveness is direct and particular to this information.

We have therefore concluded that the balance of the public interest is in favour of not disclosing the information requested as the commercial interests weigh in favour of not sharing this detail externally.