



[REDACTED]

3 November 2023

Dear [REDACTED],

**Freedom of Information request: FOI2023/00849**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 30 October in which you requested the following:

**Your request:**

*I would be most grateful if you would provide me, under the Freedom of Information Act, details in respect to the contract below.*

*UKRI-1028 - Compressed Air Systems Maintenance:*

*<https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/6a3b797a-284f-4ceb-a18a-4a0603d04a20>*

*The details we require are:*

- \* Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for this framework contract?*
- \* Is there an extension clause in the framework contract and, if so, what is the duration of the extension?*
- \* Has a decision been made yet on whether the framework contract will be extended?*
- \* Actual spend on this framework contract, from the start of the contract to the current date?*

*Thank you for your help.*

**Our response**

I can confirm that UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) hold information relevant to your request. Please see the information below.

**Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for this framework contract?**

This is an STFC Estates-led contract. We are exempting the name of the senior officer responsible for this contract under section 40(2) of the FOIA. Disclosing this information would contravene the first Data Protection Principle as defined under Section 86 of the Data Protection Act 2018 and Article 5 of EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) 2016. Section 40(2) is an absolute exemption and does not require a public interest test.

**Is there an extension clause in the framework contract and, if so, what is the duration of the extension?**

The initial 2-year contract period expiry date was 31 January 2023, and there are two "+1 year" potential extensions within this contract. We have exercised one extension which is currently active, and STFC Estates plan to exercise the other, meaning this contract will now end on 31 January 2025.

**Has a decision been made yet on whether the framework contract will be extended?**

Yes, STFC Estates have confirmed they intend to use the final year extension.

**Actual spend on this framework contract, from the start of the contract to the current date?**

The spend to date on this contract is £853,972.58.

If you have any queries regarding our response or you are unhappy with the outcome of your request and wish to seek an internal review of the decision, please contact within the next 40 working days:

Head of Information Governance

Email: [foi@ukri.org](mailto:foi@ukri.org)

Please quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are still not content with the outcome of the internal review, you may apply to refer the matter to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the review procedure provided by UKRI. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk).

If you wish to raise a complaint regarding the service you have received or the conduct of any UKRI staff in relation to your request, please see UKRI's complaints policy: <https://www.ukri.org/about-us/policies-and-standards/complaints-policy/>

Yours sincerely,

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