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10 March 2021

Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information request: FOI2021/00133

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 2 March 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.

Confidential Waste

The details we require are:

- *Has confidential waste been procured via tender or framework or another means?*
- *If a framework, could you confirm the name of the framework please?*
- *Actual contract values of each framework/contract (& any sub lots)*
- *Start date & duration of contract*
- *Is there an extension clause in the framework(s)/contract(s) and, if so, the duration of the extension?*
- *Has a decision been made yet on whether the framework(s)/contract(s) are being either extended or renewed?*
- *Who is the procurement officer responsible for this contract and could you provide their email address and phone number please?*
- *Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for this contract and could you provide their email address and phone number please?*
- *Who is the current supplier?*
- *If your current supplier is a Facilities Management/Waste Company, which sub-contractor services your organisation?*

Our response

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

- **Has confidential waste been procured via tender or framework or another means?**
It is currently provided for in a commercial contract via the Crown Commercial Service (CCS) framework.
- **If a framework, could you confirm the name of the framework please?**
Please see above.
- **Actual contract values of each framework/contract (& any sub lots)**
This information is not available: confidential waste is not a fixed costs contract and is just one element of a combined cleaning and waste contract; a 3rd party supplier to the main contractor provides this service.

- **Start date & duration of contract**
August 2016, for a term of 4 years
- **Is there an extension clause in the framework(s)/contract(s) and, if so, the duration of the extension?**
1 year – further extension would be subject to CCS approval.
- **Has a decision been made yet on whether the framework(s)/contract(s) are being either extended or renewed?**
Tenders are being prepared by the Contracting Authority and will be launched by UK Shared Business Services (UKSBS) on to the government Contract Finder portal as per public procurement regulations.
- **Who is the procurement officer responsible for this contract and could you provide their email address and phone number please?**
- **Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for this contract and could you provide their email address and phone number please?**

UKSBS are managing this procurement and tender activity. Contact information for UKSBS is available [here](#)¹. We are exempting the name and contact details of individuals 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 UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR).

Section 40(2) is an absolute exemption and does not require a public interest test.

- **Who is the current supplier?**
Noonan Bidvest
- **If your current supplier is a Facilities Management/Waste Company, which sub-contractor services your organisation?**
UKRI do not hold any relevant information regarding Noonan Bidvest sub-contractors.

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:

Head of Information Governance
Email: foi@ukri.org or infogovernance@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: <http://www.ico.gov.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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¹ <https://www.uksbs.co.uk/contact/Pages/default.aspx>