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Thank you for your request concerning our mobile phones contract.

Your request has been considered and processed in accordance with the requirements of the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000.

You may have received the same request in the past and this information sent has now expired and I require an update as soon as possible for the following information:

If there is more than one provider, please split all the information including the annual average spend, number of connections, duration, contract dates and internal contact details.

- 1. Network Provider(s) - Please provide me with the network provider name e.g., EE, Telefonica, Vodafone, Three**
- 2. Annual Average Spend for each Network Provider - Can you please provide me with the average annual spend over the last 3 years. If this is a new contract, can you please provide the estimated annual spend.**
- 3. Number of Connections- Number of connections for each network provider. (Number of voices only devices, voice and data devices, data only devices) please provide me with the breakdown and not the overall total.**
- 4. Duration of the contract- please state if the contract also includes contract extensions for each provider.**
- 5. Contract Start Date- please can you provide me with the start date of the signed agreement. Please do not provide me with the framework contract date I require the contract dates of the signed agreement. (if there are multiple start dates, could you please provide me with the earliest date for each provider)**
- 6. Contract Expiry Date- please can you provide me with the expiry date of the signed agreement. Please do not provide me with the framework contract date. I require the contract dates of the signed agreement. If the contract is rolling, please state.**
- 7. Contract Review Date- Please can you provide me with a date when the organisation plans to review this contract.**
- 8. The person in the organisation responsible for this particular contract. Can you send me the full contact details Contact Name, Job Title, Contact Number and direct email address for each network provider? If full contact details cannot be provided, please send me their actual job title.**
- 9. If the mobile phone contract is provided by a managed contract, please provide me with the actual name of the network provider along with the number of connections and the internal contact from within the organisation responsible for this contract.**

Please can you provide me with the latest information- If the organisations are currently out to tender, please can you also state the approx. date of the award along with the information above.

Also, if the contract in the response has expired/rolling please can you provide me with further information if available of the organisation's plans going forward with regards to mobiles and the contract status?

If this contract was awarded within the past three months, can you please provide me with a shortlist of suppliers that bid on the contract?

We have applied S43 (2) of the Freedom of Information Act to all of these questions because negotiations around this contract are have commenced.

Information is exempt if disclosure would, or would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any person, including the public authority holding the information. This is a qualified exemption and therefore subject to the public interest test.

We have considered the reasons for and against disclosure below:

Reasons in favour of disclosure:

- The Trust aims to be open and transparent
- The public have right to know how public money is being spent

Reasons against disclosure:

- The activity is conducted in a commercial environment and disclosing this information could inhibit future procurement exercises and our ability to ensure value for money should the expenditure of the current contract be within the public domain.

We feel that there is a greater public interest in non-disclosure due to the importance of ensuring a level commercial playing field and achieving best value in negotiations for public sector contracts.

Should you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Please find enclosed an information sheet regarding copyright protection and the Trust's complaints procedure in the event that you are not satisfied with the response.

Yours sincerely

Sue Smith

**Sue Smith
Information Rights Officer**

Enc: Copyright Protection and Complaints Procedure Information Leaflet.

If you would like to complete a short survey in relation to your Freedom of Information request please scan the QR code below or click [here](#).

