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Your Ref:

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Dear Ms Coupland

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002
Construction Consultancy Services

I refer to your information request dated 15th June 2010. This is being dealt with as an information request under the above Act, and I am pleased to enclose the information requested as detailed below.

Procurement of Construction Consultancy Services

- Roads, transportation and environmental engineering and professional consultancy services are procured by a term commission consultancy arrangement in partnership with Stirling & Clackmannanshire Councils. This is a "call off" contract for a fixed 2 year period with the option to extend for a further 2 years. The contract was awarded 1/4/08 and has been extended until 31/3/12. The current Term Consultant is Scotland Transerve. The contact officer within the Council for this framework is Greg Pender, Engineering Design Manager (greg.pender@falkirk.gov.uk).
- Mechanical, electrical and structural engineering consultancy services for building construction projects are assessed for need on an individual project basis, and procured in line with the guidance noted below in relation to services contracts. The contact officer within the Council for interest in these disciplines is Robin Millard, Acting Building Design Manager (robin.millard@falkirk.gov.uk).

Procurement of Construction Contractors (and Consultancy Services where required)

- Contracts Governed by European Procurement Directives: Contract opportunities for goods, services or works which are estimated to be above the EU thresholds are legally required to comply with EU procurement directives and will be advertised by a tender notice in the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU).
- Contract opportunities below EU Thresholds: Contracts below EU thresholds and above £50,000 (this figure is variable, dependent upon the discipline, and subject to review) will be advertised on the Public Contracts (Scotland) Portal.
- Parties expressing an interest in contract opportunities will be expected to submit a Pre Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ), which will be objectively scored to allow tendering lists to be established.

Please refer to the enclosed leaflet which explains your right to complain about the handling of your case and/or the decision made.

Yours sincerely

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