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(By email only)

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Dear Nicola,

Reference number: FOI/RAP/07/10/2307

On 15th June 2010 we received the following request for information from you:

“Dear Hertfordshire County Council,

Can you please tell me the following:

1. How you procure Construction Consultancy Services
2. How you procure Construction Contractors
3. If by your own framework, please tell me:
 - a. The titles and content of the relevant frameworks
 - b. Who is on the current frameworks
 - c. The start and end dates of the frameworks
 - d. Any possible extension periods to the frameworks
 - e. The name and contact email of person responsible for the frameworks.”

Your request for information has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I can confirm that Hertfordshire County Council does hold the information you have requested and can respond as follows:

1. Construction consultancy services are procured through one of three partnership contracts with either MACE (Design and Project Management), Mouchel (Property Care), or LSH (Estates and Valuation Services). These contracts were let on 01/03/2003 and run to 29/02/2012.
2. Construction contractors are procured either through Measured Term Contracts (Property Care works), through the SMARTE framework, or through competition under OJEU rules.
3. The only framework we currently utilise is the SmarteEast Building Constructors Framework. SmarteEast is an Alliance of Hertfordshire County Council, Essex County Council and Suffolk County Council.

Contractors on that current Framework are:

Ashe Construction Ltd
Grehan Contractors Ltd
Lakehouse Contracts Ltd
Willmott Dixon Construction Ltd
May Gurney Ltd
Borras Construction Ltd
ROK Build Ltd

This framework commenced on 06/08/08 and runs for 42 months.

A second Constructors framework is currently advertised in the OJEU.

No extension periods apply.

The contact for the SmarteEast alliance is Peter Geall at Essex County Council, Chairperson of SmarteEast Alliance. Peter's email address is peter.geall@essex.gov.uk .

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me, quoting the reference number on this letter. To find out more about Freedom of Information, please visit www.hertsdirect.org/foi

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Yours sincerely,

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