



## BANK OF ENGLAND

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**Please quote ref. CAS-33851-G6N8J4 on all correspondence**

Dear Rebecca Forster

Thank you for your email dated 6 July in which you ask for access to the following under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('Fol Act') in relation to the Bank of England's (the 'Bank's') Cleaning Services contract:

- *'Suppliers who applied for inclusion on each framework/contract and were successful & not successful at the PQQ & ITT stages'*

Lewis & Graves Partnership Limited was the successful supplier at the ITT stage of the tender for the Bank's Cleaning Services contract as published on the Contracts Finder website and is available to view at: <https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/4f70ab57-88d1-4ed1-a9f1-b41a2f25fbe3>.

Turning to the names of the suppliers who were not successful at the PQQ and ITT stages, this information has been withheld from disclosure under section 43(2) (commercial interests) of the Fol Act, on the grounds that disclosure would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of the Bank and the third parties concerned. Section 43 is subject to an additional public interest assessment. Having done so, we consider that there is a significant public interest in protecting the commercial interests of the third parties and we consider that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

- *'Actual spend on this contract/framework (and any sub lots), from the start of the contract to the current date'*

The actual spend on this contract from 1 April 2019 to 6 July 2021 is £3,830,846.00 (excluding VAT).

- *'Start date & duration of framework/contract?'*
- *'Could you please provide a copy of the service/product specification given to all bidders for when this contract was last advertised?'*
- *'Is there an extension clause in the framework(s)/contract(s) and, if so, the duration of the extension?'*

Turning to the three parts of your request above, this information can be found in the main details for the Cleaning Services contract which is provided on the Proactis website and is available to view at: <https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert?advertId=9890a81f-a5b6-e811-80ed-005056b64545>

- *'Has a decision been made yet on whether the framework(s)/contract(s) are being either extended or renewed?'*

No.

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

Turning to the names of individuals responsible for the contract, this information is exempt under section 40(2) of the FoI Act (personal information) on the grounds that the information constitutes personal data and its disclosure would contravene one or more of the principles in data protection legislation. In particular, we have had regard to the reasonable privacy expectations of individuals who may be identified by disclosing their names. Any enquiries relating to procurement should be sent to:  
[Procurement.Group@bankofengland.co.uk](mailto:Procurement.Group@bankofengland.co.uk).

Yours sincerely



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 Information Access Team

Your right to complain under the FoI Act

If you are unhappy with the Bank of England's response, you may ask for that decision to be reviewed internally. Please note that this will be subject to the Bank having received your submission within two months of the date of this response. In order to submit an internal review, please set out the grounds for your appeal and send it to Wendy Galvin, Information Access Team (TS-Mz), Communications Directorate, Bank of England, Threadneedle Street, London, EC2R 8AH or by email to [enquiries@bankofengland.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@bankofengland.co.uk) for the attention of Wendy Galvin.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

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We will keep your personal data for 10 years. You can request that we no longer use your personal data, by contacting us via the website link below.

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