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Dear Paul,

Freedom of Information request: IT Contracts and Contractors- ref PSU - 412

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request submitted on the 24th November 2017 in which you requested the following:

Your Request:

Under the FOI Act I require the following information

(1) The names of all the IT Contracting Companies that have provided IT Services and Staff for IT work and related IT Project Management and Program Management work to your organisation in the financial years 2015-16, 2016-17 and up to the end of October 2017 in the current financial year - 2017 to 18. This information is only required where the amount paid to the Contracting Company exceeds or is expected to exceed £100,000

(2) How much your organisation has paid in total to each of these companies in the financial years 2015-16, 2016-17 and so far in the 2017 to 18. Include the total payment and a monthly break down. For the financial year 2017-18 you will include an estimated total spend for the whole financial year.

(3) I require the following for each of the contracts that these companies won or were selected for

(3.1) the total number of companies that bid for or were considered for each contract and whether a direct award was made

(3.2) What process was followed to ensure that Value For Money was achieved in spending public money

(3.3) Whether any conflicts of interest were declared by any of your staff in relation to these contracts and the companies that bid for them

(3.4) Whether any payment or gifts were declared by any of your staff in relation to these contracts and the companies that bid for them

(3.4) Whether to your knowledge any of these contractors has previously worked for your organisation as a member of staff since 2012

(3.5) Whether to your knowledge any of your staff subsequently left your organisation to work for one of these companies

(3.6) The value or original estimated value of each initial contract as well as its final value - or current value if still underway

(3.7) The initial or estimated planned timeframe of each original contract compared to the final

Our response:

I can confirm that AHRC does hold the information that you have requested. Our response is detailed below in the attached spreadsheet.

I hope this answers your questions.

If you have any queries about this response please contact me, or if you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to request a review of our decision, please write to:

The FOI Complaints Officer
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Information Commissioner
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Yours sincerely,

Michael Rowan



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