

DWP Central Freedom of Information Team

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Our Ref: FOI2019/32026

19<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Dear John Slater,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information (Fol) request received on 30 August. You asked:

*In its response FOI2019/25478 of 7 August 2019 in respect of the PIP contracts the Department claimed:*

*“Your request for the 2017 and 2018 change requests in respect of the Personal Independence Payment contracts would take a considerable amount of time to locate, retrieve and extract.”*

*As it would cost too much to extract the change requests this implies that the change requests have been incorporated into the revised contracts (i.e. the effective contracts) that are used by the Department to manage the 3 PIP contracts.*

*RFI1: Please disclose the current effective PIP contract between the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions and Atos for Lot 1. Please note that this request excludes information that would be exempt under section 40(2) FOIA.*

**DWP Response:**

DWP have considered the request to disclose the current effective PIP Lot 1 contract and apply Section 22 of the FOI Act as this information is intended for future publication.

Following the conclusion of the PIP Lot 1 contract extension, work is ongoing to update the contract documentation to incorporate the associated changes. DWP aim for the re-baselined documents to be available in Spring 2020.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely,

DWP Central FoI Team

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If you are not happy with this response you may request an internal review by e-mailing [freedom-of-information-request@dwp.gov.uk](mailto:freedom-of-information-request@dwp.gov.uk) or by writing to DWP, Central FoI Team, Caxton House, Tothill Street, SW1H 9NA. Any review request should be submitted within two months of the date of this letter.

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