

Response to Request for Information

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Procurement Framework Contracts

Request:

I am writing to make an open government request for all the information to which I am entitled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Regarding your organisation's current awarded or in procurement framework contracts relating to works in the Built Environment, including but not limited to professional services, design, consultancy/advisory services, construction and operation/maintenance, please send me:

- The value of each of these framework contracts;
- The set up date of each of these contracts;
- The projected duration of each these contracts;
- The financial limit of each of these contracts:
- Descriptive information for any services provided in connection to the Built Environment, Construction, Consultancy Services or Professional Services in any capacity;
- Details of any lots/sub lots of the contract;
- The names of the organisations currently appointed to the contracts.

With reference to your above questions, your request for information has now been considered and the City of Wolverhampton Council is not obliged to supply the information you requested for the reasons set out below.

Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires City of Wolverhampton Council, when refusing to provide such information (because the information is exempt) to provide you, the applicant with a notice which:

- (a) states the fact,
- (b) specifies the exemption in question and
- (c) states (if that would not otherwise be apparent) why the exemption applies:

In relation to your particular request, the following exemption applies:

Section 21 – Information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means

[NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED]

We can confirm that the department holds information that you have asked for in relation to the above. However, the information is exempt under section 21 of the FOI Act because it is reasonably accessible to you, and I am pleased to inform you that you can access it on our website via the following link:

https://www.gov.uk/contracts-finder

Section 21(1) of the Freedom of Information Act exempts disclosure of information that is reasonably accessible by other means, and the terms of the exemption mean that we do not have to consider whether or not it would be in the public interest for you to have the information.

You can find out more about Section 21 by reading the extract from the Act, available at: http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2000/36/section/21