



Call-Off Contract
Letter of Appointment
Call-Off Schedules v2.0

Campaign Solutions 2

Reference Number RM6125

#### Campaign Solutions 2

#### **Introduction to Terms and Conditions**

The Terms and Condition of the Campaign Solutions 2 framework agreement are provided in two legally binding contracts:

- Framework Contract this will be the overarching contract between CCS and the individual agencies successfully awarded a place on the Campaign Solutions 2 Framework Agreement.
- Call-Off Contract this provides the terms and conditions of the contract for clients appointing an agency through the framework agreement.

#### Core Terms

These are the main legal terms which apply to both the Framework Contract and the Call-Off contract. The Core Terms govern the agency's relationship with CCS at framework level and with each client at call-off level.

The Core Terms are supplemented with a number of Schedules, comprising:

- Framework schedules
- Joint schedules (for framework and call-off)
- Call-off schedules

#### The Framework Contract

#### This comprises:

- The Specification which sets out the range of campaign services to be provided through the Framework Agreement (Framework Schedule 1)
- The process clients must follow to appoint an agency (Framework Schedule 7
   Call-Off Award Procedure)
- The tender and rates submitted by the Agency in this tender process
- The Core Terms and Joint Schedules of the contract which apply to both the Framework and the Call-Off Contract as above
- Specific Framework Schedules relating to the framework contract between CCS and the Agency

#### The Call-Off Contract

Please note the Call-Off Contract should be read in conjunction with the Framework Contract. It is governed by the Core Terms as above and comprises:

- Joint Schedules as in the Framework Contract
- The Letter of Appointment template which is used to form the contract between the Client and the Agency and incorporates Joint and Call-Off Schedules plus any special terms (Framework Schedule 6)

 Specific Call-Off Schedules relating to the contract between the Client and the Agency

#### The process

To appoint an agency through the framework, clients will follow the process outlined in the Schedule 7 of the Framework Contract.

The Client will then use the Letter of Appointment template and incorporate the Joint and Call-Off Schedules in Framework Schedule 6 to form the Call-Off contract with the Agency.

Clients will complete the Call-Off schedules to suit their individual brief and can omit Call-Off Schedules which are not relevant to the contract. The optional schedules are highlighted in yellow and can be amended by the client to suit the requirement.

There are optional Call-Off terms which will only apply to certain clients (MOD and HMRC) and clients subject to Scottish or Northern Ireland laws. These are available as separate documents and do not need to form part of the Call-Off Contract unless required, if they form part of the Call Off Contract they will be legally binding.

The contracts follow the Public Sector Contract which presents the terms and schedules in a modular format. We have brought elements together into single documents but have retained the numbering of the individual terms and schedules for wider consistency. This means the clause numbering is not consecutive.

# Letter of Appointment Template and Call-Off Schedules (Framework Schedule 6)

#### **Letter of Appointment**

The Agency is one of a number of agencies appointed by the Crown Commercial Service (CCS) to the Framework Agreement and is therefore able to enter into this Call-Off Contract.

This Letter of Appointment is issued in accordance with the provisions of the Framework Contract (RM6125) between CCS and the Agency, dated 08.09.2021.

Capitalised terms and expressions used in this letter have the same meanings as in the Call-Off Incorporated Terms unless the context otherwise requires.

### CALL-OFF LOT(S):

Order Number:	con_16543
From:	Department for Education (Client)
То:	Havas (Agency)

Call-Off Start Date:	01st September 2022
Call-Off Expiry Date:	31st August 2024
Call-Off Initial Period:	02 years
Call-Off Optional Extension Period:	The contract has the option to extend for 2 further periods of 12 months each, taking the total maximum contract period to 04 years.

	Deliverables required are set out in Framework Schedule 1 of the Framework Agreement and the relevant Brief and are to be delivered in line with the accepted Proposal as detailed at Annex A of this Letter.  Subsequent calls for Deliverables shall be priced and agreed using the Statement of Works form as per Annex B of this Letter of Appointment.
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Key Staff:	For the Client:  For the Agency:
Guarantor(s)	N/A

Call-Off Contract Charges (including any	Maximum of £518,812 per annum.	
	Maximum total contract value over 4 years £ 2,075,248	

applicable discount(s), but excluding VAT):	
Liability	See Clause 11 of the Core Terms Estimated Year 1 Charges: £518,812
Additional Insurance Requirements	N/A
Client billing address for invoicing:	Invoices should be sent by email to
Special Terms	

#### PROGRESS REPORT FREQUENCY

On the first Working Day of each calendar month Ad hoc as required

#### PROGRESS MEETING FREQUENCY

Quarterly on the first Working Day of each quarter Ad hoc as required

#### KEY SUBCONTRACTOR(S)

To be confirmed on a project by project basis.

### COMMERCIALLY SENSITIVE INFORMATION Agency pricing.

#### SOCIAL VALUE COMMITMENT

The Agency agrees, in providing the Deliverables and performing its obligations under the Call-Off Contract, that it will comply with the social value commitments in Call-Off Schedule 4 (Call-Off Proposal)

#### CALL-OFF INCORPORATED TERMS

The following documents are incorporated into this Call-Off Contract. Where numbers are missing we are not using those schedules. If the documents conflict, the following order of precedence applies:

- 1. This Letter of Appointment including the Call-Off Special Terms and Call-Off Special Schedules.
- 2. Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions and Interpretation) RM6125
- 3. The following Schedules in equal order of precedence:
  - Joint Schedules for RM6125
    - Joint Schedule 2 (Variation Form)
    - Joint Schedule 3 (Insurance Requirements)
    - Joint Schedule 4 (Commercially Sensitive Information)
    - Joint Schedule 6 (Key Subcontractors)
    - Joint Schedule 7 (Financial Difficulties)
    - Joint Schedule 10 (Rectification Plan)
    - Joint Schedule 11 (Processing Data)
  - Call-Off Schedules for con 16543
    - Call-Off Schedule 1 (Transparency Reports)
    - o Call-Off Schedule 2 (Staff Transfer)
    - o Call-Off Schedule 3 (Continuous Improvement)
    - Call-Off Schedule 5 (Pricing Details)
    - o Call-Off Schedule 7 (Key Supplier Staff)
    - o Call-Off Schedule 8 (Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery)
    - Call-Off Schedule 9 (Security)
    - Call-Off Schedule 10 (Exit Management)
    - o Call-Off Schedule 13 (Implementation Plan and Testing)
    - o Call-Off Schedule 14 (Service Levels)
    - o Call-Off Schedule 15 (Call-Off Contract Management)

- Call-Off Schedule 16 (Benchmarking)
- o Call-Off Schedule 18 (Background Checks)
- o Call-Off Schedule 20 (Call-Off Specification)
- 4. CCS Core Terms
- 5. Joint Schedule 5 (Corporate Social Responsibility) RM6125
- 6. Call-Off Schedule 4 (Proposal) as long as any parts of the Call-Off Proposal that offer a better commercial position for the Client (as decided by the Client) take precedence over the documents above.

No other Agency terms are part of the Call-Off Contract. That includes any terms written on the back of, or added to this Order Form, or presented at the time of delivery. For the avoidance of doubt, the relationship between the Parties is non-exclusive. The Client is entitled to appoint any other agency to perform services and produce goods which are the same or similar to the Deliverables.

#### FORMATION OF CALL-OFF CONTRACT

BY SIGNING AND RETURNING THIS LETTER OF APPOINTMENT (which may be done by electronic means) the Agency agrees to enter into a Call-Off Contract with the Client to provide the Deliverables in accordance with the terms of this letter and the Call-Off Incorporated Terms.

The Parties hereby acknowledge and agree that they have read this letter and the Call-Off Incorporated Terms. The Parties hereby acknowledge and agree that this Call-Off Contract shall be formed when the Client acknowledges (which may be done by electronic means) the receipt of the signed copy of this letter from the Agency within two (2) Working Days from such receipt.

For and on behalf of the Agency:		For and on behalf of the Client:	
Signature:		Signature:	
Name:		Name:	
Role:		Role:	
Date:	10.11.2022	Date:	10.11.2022

#### ANNEX A

#### **Agency Proposal**



Statement of Work

This Statement of Work is issued under and in accordance with the Call-Off Contract entered into between the parties dated 10.11.2022.

Any schedule attached to this Statement of Work will describe in detail the different types of Services to be provided under that Statement of Work. A schedule attached to this Statement of Work only applies to the relevant project to be delivered under that Statement of Work, and not to any other Statement of Work, or to the provision of the Services as a whole.

- i) Where a Statement of Work would result in:
- a variation of the Services procured under this Call-Off Contract;
- an increase in the Charges agreed under this Call-Off Contract; or
- a change in the economic balance between the Parties to the detriment of the Client that is not provided for in this Call-Off Contract, the relevant term(s) will be will be dealt with as a proposed Variation to this Call-Off Contract in accordance with the Variation procedure set out in Clause 24.

#### Project:

To provide lead strategic and creative services for the Department for Education's further education teacher recruitment campaign.

Project start
Date
Notice period for cancellation
[Project Notice
Period]:
Overarching
Brand/Campaign

The further education teacher recruitment campaign is ongoing with no fixed start or end date, so the project is rolling, subject to notice. The campaign cycle follows the financial year in line with Cabinet Office spending controls.

The campaign uses the 'Teaching' branding, as well as departmental branding and cross-government branding from time to time as appropriate.

#### **Deliverables**

The key requirements of the Agency are to evolve the brand and campaign strategy that that will raise awareness, increase understanding, and create positive perceptions of a career in FE teaching in order to improve consideration and drive action.

All services & deliverables will be agreed with DfE and in line with the below requirements and those set out within the brief

at the procurement stage. These requirements may be flexible due to the nature of the Cabinet Office spending controls process and DfE will communicate any changes with the Agency.

DfE expects that the Agency will take on board feedback on the proposed strategy and will amend their approach to ensure the strategy fully meets the requirements and is suitable for the approach and target audience.

DfE are looking for a revised strategy to be live in Q4 22/23. Deliverables include:

- insight- and audience-led strategic and creative approach.
- complete campaign solution balancing national communications alongside any regionally targeted communications as required.
- planning, design and production of campaign materials across a range of materials in paid media, toolkit and website requirements. This includes seeking relevant broadcast clearances such as clearcast as required and third party consents, licenses as required. Paid media channels could include Video (long and short) Social including UGC activation, digital (including static and rich), Audio (Including radio and digital) DM
- Model for how the FE teacher recruitment campaign should mature over the coming years
- Testing and evaluation strategy (in partnership with DfE) and to input to media and attitudinal evaluation. This will include supporting the annual Professional Assurance business case to Cabinet Office if required.
- The above to be set against the OASIS framework.
- Management of case studies and other talent
- Overseeing joint agency collaboration and supporting other agencies as required e.g. providing guidance and input into paid media partnerships
- Production of style guide to include TOV, look and feel, branding to inform wider campaign areas such as website and paid media partnerships.
- Employer engagement strategy

DfE require very strong strategic and planning support along with the appropriate number and level of staff to ensure successful delivery of this project. Havas would be expected to provide adequate resource for:

Regular opportunities for review and feedback

- Feedback log with clear presentation of how individual comments have been addressed within 5 working days of receiving feedback
- Weekly status calls and reports, with a running log of current and upcoming issues provided and follow-up actions circulated after status calls
- Finance/budget management support including monthly meetings to review budget tracker
- Timing plan to be developed and kept updated. To be shared with the client during weekly status meetings.
- Contact reports after meetings when creative or strategic work is presented within 48 hours
- Providing information and resources in preparation for ministerial meetings where needed

The first deliverable for this project, following appointment and approval of the strategy, will be to implement the strategic positioning work conducted as part of the procurement process so that creative evolution can begin immediately.

The Agency will act as our lead strategic and creative agency and will need to work with other agencies in order to deliver the requirements of this brief, including Manning Gottlieb OMD, the Government's contracted media buyer and Wavemaker, DfEs designated media planning agency.

There may be further work the lead agency will need to subcontract depending on in-house capabilities and requirements. This could include research (such as creative testing), content, production, design and creation requirements.

Any sub-contracting process should be carried out in collaboration with DfE and DfE must approve the proposed sub-contractor. If the lead agency subcontracts any other services, we expect them to also follow the core terms and conditions of the awarded contract with the lead agency. DfE expects to be involved within any sub-contracting process to ensure the PR agency can deliver the requirement and offers value for money. DfE expects that the Agency will oversee all deliverables to ensure strategic synergy.

At this stage DfE does not expect the agency to manage the following activities, which we currently manage in house or via other agencies. However, message development for these channels may be required to ensure they reflect campaign messaging.

- 1) Digital service strategy
- 2) Stakeholder engagement E.g. providers

Website maintenance and updates is not an ongoing requirement included within this scope of work. Should the client require adhoc help in this area then a separate brief will be provided.

The use of clients deliverables will be subject to any third party usage rights which must be notified to the client in accordance with this call-off contract

KPIs – DfE expects the agency to perform against deliverables to the highest standard. This includes sufficient provision as outlined in strategic and planning support. The agency are expected to attend quarterly performance review meetings to determine if this KPI is being met. DfE can implement new KPIs from time to time as deemed necessary, with adequate notice provided to the agency. A separate KPIs document is attached covering the above.

# Inclusion of Additional Schedules

The following Schedules are incorporated into this Statement of Work

VOIK	
Schedule Name	Incorporated (Mark with 'X' if incorporated)
Creative Advertising Services (online and/or offline)	X
Social Media Services	
Public Relations	
Simple Software/website/app development	
Below the line/experiential	

#### **Project Plan:**

To be set out in discussion based on client briefs

## Contract Charges:

All rates should be less than the maximum rates set out in the Agency rate card submitted as part of the original framework evaluation as set out in Framework Schedule 3 (a copy is included below).

The Contract Charges shall be calculated using the hourly charge out rates shown in the Agency's rate card, provided that the total Contract Charges shall not exceed £ 2,075,248 over a maximum of 4 years total contract term. For the avoidance of doubt, the Contract Charges shall be inclusive of all third-party costs.

	Invoices should be submitted monthly with a breakdown of costs, with invoice submissions consolidated within a three-day window each month.	
Client Assets:	Assets already extant at Havas due to prior incumbency	
International locations:	UK Only	
Client Affiliates:	Some aspects of creative may be used by FE providers.	
Special Terms:	N/A	
Key Individuals:		
Authorised Agency Approver:		
Authorised Client Approver:	As necessary the following team members:	

Signed by:

by (print name):

As Agency Authorised Approver for and on behalf of Havas

Date: 10.11.2022

Signed by:

by (print name):

As Client Authorised Approver for and on behalf of Department for Education

Date: 10.11.2022

#### **Call-Off Schedule 1 (Transparency Reports)**

- 1.1 The Agency recognises that the Client is subject to PPN 01/17 (Updates to transparency principles v1.1 (<a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-policy-note-0117-update-to-transparency-principles">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-policy-note-0117-update-to-transparency-principles</a>). The Agency shall comply with the provisions of this Schedule in order to assist the Client with its compliance with its obligations under that PPN.
- 1.2 Without prejudice to the Agency's reporting requirements set out in the Framework Contract, within three (3) Months of the Start Date the Agency shall submit to the Client for Approval (such Approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) draft Transparency Reports consistent with the content requirements and format set out in the Annex of this Schedule.
- 1.3 If the Client rejects any proposed Transparency Report submitted by the Agency, the Agency shall submit a revised version of the relevant report for further Approval within five (5) days of receipt of any notice of rejection, taking account of any recommendations for revision and improvement to the report provided by the Client. If the Parties fail to agree on a draft Transparency Report the Client shall determine what should be included. Any other disagreement in connection with Transparency Reports shall be treated as a Dispute.
- 1.4 The Agency shall provide accurate and up-to-date versions of each Transparency Report to the Client at the frequency referred to in the Annex of this Schedule.

#### Call-Off Schedule 2 (Staff Transfer)

#### 1. **Definitions**

1.1 In this Schedule, the following words have the following meanings and they shall supplement Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions):

### Directive"

"Acquired Rights 1 the European Council Directive 77/187/EEC on the approximation of laws of European member states relating to the safeguarding of employees' rights in the event of transfers of undertakings, businesses or parts of undertakings or businesses, as amended or reenacted from time to time:

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#### "Employee Liability"

- 3 all claims, actions, proceedings, orders, demands, complaints, investigations (save for any claims for personal injury which are covered by insurance) and any award, compensation, damages, tribunal awards, fine, loss, order, penalty, disbursement, payment made by way of settlement and costs, expenses and legal costs reasonably incurred in connection with a claim or investigation including in relation to the following:
  - redundancy payments including contractual or a) enhanced redundancy costs, termination costs and notice payments;
  - b) unfair. wrongful or constructive dismissal compensation;
  - compensation for discrimination on grounds c) of sex, race, disability, age, religion or belief, aender reassignment, marriage partnership, pregnancy and maternity or sexual orientation or claims for equal pay;
  - compensation for less favourable treatment of d) part-time workers or fixed term employees:
  - e) outstanding employment debts and unlawful deduction of wages including any PAYE and National Insurance Contributions;

- f) employment claims whether in tort, contract or statute or otherwise:
- g) any investigation relating to employment matters by the Equality and Human Rights Commission or other enforcement, regulatory or supervisory body and of implementing any requirements which may arise from such investigation;

#### "Former Agency"

a supplier supplying services to the Client before the Relevant Transfer Date that are the same as or substantially similar to the Services (or any part of the Services) and shall include any Subcontractor of such supplier (or any Subcontractor of any such Subcontractor);

#### "New Fair Deal"

he revised Fair Deal position set out in the HM Treasury guidance: "Fair Deal for Staff Pensions: Staff Transfer from Central Government" issued in October 2013 including:

- (i) any amendments to that document immediately prior to the Relevant Transfer Date; and
- (ii) any similar pension protection in accordance with the Annexes D1-D3 inclusive to Part D of this Schedule as notified to the Agency by the Client;

#### "Old Fair Deal"

HM Treasury Guidance "Staff Transfers from Central Government: A Fair Deal for Staff Pensions" issued in June 1999 including the supplementary guidance "Fair Deal for Staff pensions: Procurement of Bulk Transfer Agreements and Related Issues" issued in June 2004;

### "Partial Termination"

the partial termination of the relevant Contract to the extent that it relates to the provision of any part of the Services as further provided for in Clause 10.4 (When CCS or the Client can end this contract) or 10.6 (When the Agency can end the contract);

### "Relevant Transfer"

a transfer of employment to which the Employment Regulations applies;

### "Relevant Transfer Date"

n relation to a Relevant Transfer, the date upon which the Relevant Transfer takes place. For the purposes of Part D: Pensions and its Annexes, where the Agency or a Subcontractor was the Former Agency and there is no Relevant Transfer of the Fair Deal Employees because they remain continuously employed by the Agency (or Subcontractor), references to the Relevant Transfer Date shall become references to the Start Date:

### "Staffing Information"

in relation to all persons identified on the Agency's Provisional Agency Personnel List or Agency's Final Agency Personnel List, as the case may be, such information as the Client may reasonably request (subject to all applicable provisions of the Data Protection Legislation), but including in an anonymised format:

- (a) their ages, dates of commencement of employment or engagement, gender and place of work;
- (b) details of whether they are employed, selfemployed contractors or consultants, agency workers or otherwise;
- (c) the identity of the employer or relevant contracting Party;
- (d) their relevant contractual notice periods and any other terms relating to termination of employment, including redundancy procedures, and redundancy payments;
- (e) their wages, salaries, bonuses and profit sharing arrangements as applicable;
- (f) details of other employment-related benefits, including (without limitation) medical insurance, life assurance, pension or other retirement benefit schemes, share option schemes and company car schedules applicable to them;
- (g) any outstanding or potential contractual, statutory or other liabilities in respect of such individuals (including in respect of personal injury claims);
- (h) details of any such individuals on long term sickness absence, parental leave, maternity leave or other authorised long term absence;
- copies of all relevant documents and materials relating to such information, including copies of relevant contracts of employment (or relevant standard contracts if applied generally in respect of such employees); and

(j) any other "employee liability information" as such term is defined in regulation 11 of the Employment Regulations;

"Agency's Final 3 list provided by the Agency of all Agency Staff whose Agency will transfer under the Employment Regulations on the Service Transfer Date;

"Agency's Provisional Agency Personnel List" a list prepared and updated by the Agency of all Agency Staff who are at the date of the list wholly or mainly engaged in or assigned to the provision of the Services or any relevant part of the Services which it is envisaged as at the date of such list will no longer be provided by the Agency;

"Term" the period commencing on the Start Date and ending on

the expiry of the Initial Period or any Extension Period or

on earlier termination of the relevant Contract;

"Transferring Client Employees" those employees of the Client to whom the Employment Regulations will apply on the Relevant Transfer Date;

"Transferring Former Agency Employees" in relation to a Former Agency, those employees of the Former Agency to whom the Employment Regulations will apply on the Relevant Transfer Date.

#### 2. INTERPRETATION

- 2.1 Where a provision in this Schedule imposes any obligation on the Agency including (without limit) to comply with a requirement or provide an indemnity, undertaking or warranty, the Agency shall procure that each of its Subcontractors shall comply with such obligation and provide such indemnity, undertaking or warranty to CCS, the Client, Former Agency, Replacement Agency or Replacement Subcontractor, as the case may be and where the Subcontractor fails to satisfy any claims under such indemnities the Agency will be liable for satisfying any such claim as if it had provided the indemnity itself.
- 2.2 The provisions of Paragraphs 2.1 and 2.6 of Part A, Paragraph 3.1 of Part B, Paragraphs 1.5, 1.7 and 1.9 of Part C, Part D and Paragraphs 1.4, 2.3 and 2.8 of Part E of this Schedule (together "Third Party Provisions") confer benefits on third parties (each such person a "Third Party Beneficiary") and are intended to be enforceable by Third Party Beneficiaries by virtue of the CRTPA.
- 2.3 Subject to Paragraph 2.2 above, a person who is not a Party to this Call-Off Contract has no right under the CRTPA to enforce any term of this Call-Off Contract but this does not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available otherwise than pursuant to that Act.

- 2.4 No Third Party Beneficiary may enforce, or take any step to enforce, any Third Party Provision without the prior written consent of the Client, which may, if given, be given on and subject to such terms as the Client may determine.
- 2.5 Any amendments or modifications to this Call-Off Contract may be made, and any rights created under Paragraph 2.2 above may be altered or extinguished, by the Parties without the consent of any Third Party Beneficiary.

#### 3. Which parts of this Schedule apply

Only the following parts of this Schedule shall apply to this Call Off Contract:

- Part C (No Staff Transfer on the Start Date)
- o Part E (Staff Transfer on Exit)

#### Part C: No Staff Transfer on the Start Date

#### 1. What happens if there is a staff transfer

- 1.1 The Client and the Agency agree that the commencement of the provision of the Services or of any part of the Services will not be a Relevant Transfer in relation to any employees of the Client and/or any Former Agency.
- 1.2 If any employee of the Client and/or a Former Agency claims, or it is determined in relation to any employee of the Client and/or a Former Agency, that his/her contract of employment has been transferred from the Client and/or the Former Agency to the Agency and/or any Subcontractor pursuant to the Employment Regulations or the Acquired Rights Directive then:
  - the Agency shall, and shall procure that the relevant Subcontractor shall, within 5 Working Days of becoming aware of that fact, notify the Client in writing and, where required by the Client, notify the Former Agency in writing; and
  - the Client and/or the Former Agency may offer (or may procure that a third party may offer) employment to such person within 15 Working Days of the notification from the Agency or the Subcontractor (as appropriate) or take such other reasonable steps as the Client or Former Agency (as the case may be) it considers appropriate to deal with the matter provided always that such steps are in compliance with applicable Law.
- 1.3 If an offer referred to in Paragraph 1.2.2 is accepted (or if the situation has otherwise been resolved by the Client and/or the Former Agency),, the Agency shall, or shall procure that the Subcontractor shall, immediately release the person from his/her employment or alleged employment.
- 1.4 If by the end of the 15 Working Day period referred to in Paragraph 1.2.2:
  - 1.4.1 no such offer of employment has been made;
  - 1.4.2 such offer has been made but not accepted; or
  - 1.4.3 the situation has not otherwise been resolved:

the Agency may within 5 Working Days give notice to terminate the employment or alleged employment of such person.

- 1.5 Subject to the Agency and/or the relevant Subcontractor acting in accordance with the provisions of Paragraphs 1.2 to 1.4 and in accordance with all applicable employment procedures set out in applicable Law and subject also to Paragraph 1.8 the Client shall:
  - indemnify the Agency and/or the relevant Subcontractor against all Employee Liabilities arising out of the termination of the employment of any of the Client's employees referred to in Paragraph 1.2 made pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 1.4 provided that the Agency takes, or shall procure that the

Subcontractor takes, all reasonable steps to minimise any such Employee Liabilities; and

- 1.5.2 procure that the Former Agency indemnifies the Agency and/or any Subcontractor against all Employee Liabilities arising out of termination of the employment of the employees of the Former Agency referred to in Paragraph 1.2 made pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 1.4 provided that the Agency takes, or shall procure that the relevant Subcontractor takes, all reasonable steps to minimise any such Employee Liabilities.
- 1.6 If any such person as is described in Paragraph 1.2 is neither re employed by the Client and/or the Former Agency as appropriate nor dismissed by the Agency and/or any Subcontractor within the 15 Working Day period referred to in Paragraph 1.4 such person shall be treated as having transferred to the Agency and/or the Subcontractor (as appropriate) and the Agency shall, or shall procure that the Subcontractor shall, comply with such obligations as may be imposed upon it under Law.
- 1.7 Where any person remains employed by the Agency and/or any Subcontractor pursuant to Paragraph 1.6, all Employee Liabilities in relation to such employee shall remain with the Agency and/or the Subcontractor and the Agency shall indemnify the Client and any Former Agency, and shall procure that the Subcontractor shall indemnify the Client and any Former Agency, against any Employee Liabilities that either of them may incur in respect of any such employees of the Agency and/or employees of the Subcontractor.
- 1.8 The indemnities in Paragraph 1.5:
  - 1.8.1 shall not apply to:
    - (a) any claim for:
      - discrimination, including on the grounds of sex, race, disability, age, gender reassignment, marriage or civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity or sexual orientation, religion or belief; or
      - (ii) equal pay or compensation for less favourable treatment of part-time workers or fixed-term employees,

in any case in relation to any alleged act or omission of the Agency and/or Subcontractor; or

- (b) any claim that the termination of employment was unfair because the Agency and/or any Subcontractor neglected to follow a fair dismissal procedure; and
- shall apply only where the notification referred to in Paragraph 1.2.1 is made by the Agency and/or any Subcontractor to the Client and, if applicable, Former Agency within 6 months of the Start Date.

1.9 If the Agency and/or the Subcontractor does not comply with Paragraph 1.2, all Employee Liabilities in relation to such employees shall remain with the Agency and/or the Subcontractor and the Agency shall (i) comply with the provisions of Part D: Pensions of this Schedule, and (ii) indemnify the Client and any Former Agency against any Employee Liabilities that either of them may incur in respect of any such employees of the Agency and/or employees of the Subcontractor.

#### 2. Limits on the Former Agency's obligations

Where in this Part C the Client accepts an obligation to procure that a Former Agency does or does not do something, such obligation shall be limited so that it extends only to the extent that the Client's contract with the Former Agency contains a contractual right in that regard which the Client may enforce, or otherwise so that it requires only that the Client must use reasonable endeavours to procure that the Former Agency does or does not act accordingly.

#### Part E: Staff Transfer on Exit

#### 1. Obligations before a Staff Transfer

- 1.1 The Agency agrees that within 20 Working Days of the earliest of:
  - 1.1.1 receipt of a notification from the Client of a Service Transfer or intended Service Transfer;
  - 1.1.2 receipt of the giving of notice of early termination or any Partial Termination of the relevant Contract:
  - the date which is 12 Months before the end of the Term; and
  - 1.1.4 receipt of a written request of the Client at any time (provided that the Client shall only be entitled to make one such request in any 6 Month period),

it shall provide in a suitably anonymised format so as to comply with the Data Protection Legislation, the Agency's Provisional Agency Personnel List, together with the Staffing Information in relation to the Agency's Provisional Agency Personnel List and it shall provide an updated Agency's Provisional Agency Personnel List at such intervals as are reasonably requested by the Client.

- 1.2 At least 20 Working Days prior to the Service Transfer Date, the Agency shall provide to the Client or at the direction of the Client to any Replacement Agency and/or any Replacement Subcontractor (i) the Agency's Final Agency Personnel List, which shall identify the basis upon which they are Transferring Agency Employees and (ii) the Staffing Information in relation to the Agency's Final Agency Personnel List (insofar as such information has not previously been provided).
- 1.3 The Client shall be permitted to use and disclose information provided by the Agency under Paragraphs 1.1 and 1.2 for the purpose of informing any prospective Replacement Agency and/or Replacement Subcontractor.

- 1.4 The Agency warrants, for the benefit of The Client, any Replacement Agency, and any Replacement Subcontractor that all information provided pursuant to Paragraphs 1.1 and 1.2 shall be true and accurate in all material respects at the time of providing the information.
- 1.5 From the date of the earliest event referred to in Paragraph 1.1.1, 1.1.2 and 1.1.3, the Agency agrees that it shall not, and agrees to procure that each Subcontractor shall not, assign any person to the provision of the Services who is not listed on the Agency's Provisional Agency Personnel List and shall not without the approval of the Client (not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed):
  - 1.5.1 replace or re-deploy any Agency Staff listed on the Agency Provisional Agency Personnel List other than where any replacement is of equivalent grade, skills, experience and expertise and is employed on the same terms and conditions of employment as the person he/she replaces
  - make, promise, propose, permit or implement any material changes to the terms and conditions of employment of the Agency Staff (including pensions and any payments connected with the termination of employment);
  - increase the proportion of working time spent on the Services (or the relevant part of the Services) by any of the Agency Staff save for fulfilling assignments and projects previously scheduled and agreed;
  - 1.5.4 introduce any new contractual or customary practice concerning the making of any lump sum payment on the termination of employment of any employees listed on the Agency's Provisional Agency Personnel List;
  - increase or reduce the total number of employees so engaged, or deploy any other person to perform the Services (or the relevant part of the Services);
  - 1.5.6 terminate or give notice to terminate the employment or contracts of any persons on the Agency's Provisional Agency Personnel List save by due disciplinary process;
- and shall promptly notify, and procure that each Subcontractor shall promptly notify, the Client or, at the direction of the Client, any Replacement Agency and any Replacement Subcontractor of any notice to terminate employment given by the Agency or relevant Subcontractor or received from any persons listed on the Agency's Provisional Agency Personnel List regardless of when such notice takes effect.
- On or around each anniversary of the Start Date and up to four times during the last 12 Months of the Term, the Client may make written requests to the Agency for information relating to the manner in which the Services are organised. Within 20 Working Days of receipt of a written request the Agency shall provide, and shall procure that each Subcontractor shall provide, to the Clientsuch

information as the Client may reasonably require relating to the manner in which the Services are organised, which shall include:

- the numbers of employees engaged in providing the Services;
- the percentage of time spent by each employee engaged in providing the Services;
- the extent to which each employee qualifies for membership of any of the Statutory Schemes or any Broadly Comparable scheme set up pursuant to the provisions of any of the Annexes to Part D (Pensions) (as appropriate); and
- 1.6.4 a description of the nature of the work undertaken by each employee by location.
- 1.7 The Agency shall provide, and shall procure that each Subcontractor shall provide, all reasonable cooperation and assistance to the Client, any Replacement Agency and/or any Replacement Subcontractor to ensure the smooth transfer of the Transferring Agency Employees on the Service Transfer Date including providing sufficient information in advance of the Service Transfer Date to ensure that all necessary payroll arrangements can be made to enable the Transferring Agency Employees to be paid as appropriate. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, within 5 Working Days following the Service Transfer Date, the Agency shall provide, and shall procure that each Subcontractor shall provide, to the Client or, at the direction of the Client, to any Replacement Agency and/or any Replacement Subcontractor (as appropriate), in respect of each person on the Agency's Final Agency Personnel List who is a Transferring Agency Employee:
  - 1.7.1 the most recent month's copy pay slip data;
  - 1.7.2 details of cumulative pay for tax and pension purposes;
  - 1.7.3 details of cumulative tax paid;
  - 1.7.4 tax code;
  - 1.7.5 details of any voluntary deductions from pay; and
  - 1.7.6 bank/building society account details for payroll purposes.

#### 2. Staff Transfer when the contract ends

2.1 The Client and the Agency acknowledge that subsequent to the commencement of the provision of the Services, the identity of the provider of the Services (or any part of the Services) may change (whether as a result of termination or Partial Termination of the relevant Contract or otherwise) resulting in the Services being undertaken by a Replacement Agency and/or a Replacement Subcontractor. Such change in the identity of the supplier of such services may constitute a Relevant Transfer to which the Employment Regulations and/or the Acquired Rights Directive will apply. The Client and the Agency agree that, as a result of the operation of the Employment Regulations, where a Relevant Transfer occurs, the contracts of employment between the Agency and the Transferring Agency Employees (except in relation to any

contract terms disapplied through operation of regulation 10(2) of the Employment Regulations) will have effect on and from the Service Transfer Date as if originally made between the Replacement Agency and/or a Replacement Subcontractor (as the case may be) and each such Transferring Agency Employee.

- The Agency shall, and shall procure that each Subcontractor shall, comply with 2.2 all its obligations in respect of the Transferring Agency Employees arising under the Employment Regulations in respect of the period up to (and including) the Service Transfer Date and shall perform and discharge, and procure that each Subcontractor shall perform and discharge, all its obligations in respect of all the Transferring Agency Employees arising in respect of the period up to (and including) the Service Transfer Date (including (without limit) the payment of all remuneration, benefits, entitlements, and outgoings, all wages, accrued but untaken holiday pay, bonuses, commissions, payments of PAYE, national insurance contributions and pension contributions and all such sums due as a result of any Fair Deal Employees' participation in the Schemes which in any case are attributable in whole or in part to the period ending on (and including) the Service Transfer Date) and any necessary apportionments in respect of any periodic payments shall be made between: (i) the Agency and/or the Subcontractor (as appropriate); and (ii) the Replacement Agency and/or Replacement Subcontractor.
- 2.3 Subject to Paragraph 2.4, the Agency shall indemnify the Client and/or the Replacement Agency and/or any Replacement Subcontractor against any Employee Liabilities arising from or as a result of:
  - any act or omission of the Agency or any Subcontractor in respect of any Transferring Agency Employee or any appropriate employee representative (as defined in the Employment Regulations) of any Transferring Agency Employee whether occurring before, on or after the Service Transfer Date;
  - 2.3.2 the breach or non-observance by the Agency or any Subcontractor occurring on or before the Service Transfer Date of:
    - (a) any collective agreement applicable to the Transferring Agency Employees; and/or
    - (b) any other custom or practice with a trade union or staff association in respect of any Transferring Agency Employees which the Agency or any Subcontractor is contractually bound to honour;
  - 2.3.3 any claim by any trade union or other body or person representing any Transferring Agency Employees arising from or connected with any failure by the Agency or a Subcontractor to comply with any legal obligation to such trade union, body or person arising on or before the Service Transfer Date;
  - any proceeding, claim or demand by HMRC or other statutory authority in respect of any financial obligation including, but not

- limited to, PAYE and primary and secondary national insurance contributions:
- (a) in relation to any Transferring Agency Employee, to the extent that the proceeding, claim or demand by HMRC or other statutory authority relates to financial obligations arising on and before the Service Transfer Date; and
- (b) in relation to any employee who is not identified in the Agency's Final Agency Personnel List, and in respect of whom it is later alleged or determined that the Employment Regulations applied so as to transfer his/her employment from the Agency to the Client and/or Replacement Agency and/or any Replacement Subcontractor, to the extent that the proceeding, claim or demand by HMRC or other statutory authority relates to financial obligations arising on or before the Service Transfer Date;
- a failure of the Agency or any Subcontractor to discharge or procure the discharge of all wages, salaries and all other benefits and all PAYE tax deductions and national insurance contributions relating to the Transferring Agency Employees in respect of the period up to (and including) the Service Transfer Date);
- 2.3.6 any claim made by or in respect of any person employed or formerly employed by the Agency or any Subcontractor other than a Transferring Agency Employee identified in the Agency's Final Agency Personnel List for whom it is alleged the Client and/or the Replacement Agency and/or any Replacement Subcontractor may be liable by virtue of the relevant Contract and/or the Employment Regulations and/or the Acquired Rights Directive; and
- 2.3.7 any claim made by or in respect of a Transferring Agency Employee or any appropriate employee representative (as defined in the Employment Regulations) of any Transferring Agency Employee relating to any act or omission of the Agency or any Subcontractor in relation to its obligations under regulation 13 of the Employment Regulations, except to the extent that the liability arises from the failure by the Client and/or Replacement Agency to comply with regulation 13(4) of the Employment Regulations.
- 2.4 The indemnities in Paragraph 2.3 shall not apply to the extent that the Employee Liabilities arise or are attributable to an act or omission of the Replacement Agency and/or any Replacement Subcontractor whether occurring or having its origin before, on or after the Service Transfer Date including any Employee Liabilities:
  - 2.4.1 arising out of the resignation of any Transferring Agency Employee before the Service Transfer Date on account of

- substantial detrimental changes to his/her working conditions proposed by the Replacement Agency and/or any Replacement Subcontractor to occur in the period on or after the Service Transfer Date); or
- 2.4.2 arising from the Replacement Agency's failure, and/or Replacement Subcontractor's failure, to comply with its obligations under the Employment Regulations.
- 2.5 If any person who is not identified in the Agency's Final Agency Employee List claims, or it is determined in relation to any employees of the Agency, that his/her contract of employment has been transferred from the Agency to the Replacement Agency and/or Replacement Subcontractor pursuant to the Employment Regulations or the Acquired Rights Directive, then:
  - 2.5.1 the Client shall procure that the Replacement Agency and/or Replacement Subcontractor will, within 5 Working Days of becoming aware of that fact, notify the Client and the Agency in writing; and
  - the Agency may offer (or may procure that a Subcontractor may offer) employment to such person, or take such other reasonable steps as it considered appropriate to deal the matter provided always that such steps are in compliance with Law, within15 Working Days of receipt of notice from the Replacement Agency and/or Replacement Subcontractor.
- 2.6 If such offer of is accepted, or if the situation has otherwise been resolved by the Agency or a Subcontractor, Client shall procure that the Replacement Agency shall, or procure that the and/or Replacement Subcontractor shall, immediately release or procure the release the person from his/her employment or alleged employment;
- 2.7 If after the 15 Working Day period specified in Paragraph 2.5.2 has elapsed:
  - 2.7.1 no such offer has been made:
  - 2.7.2 such offer has been made but not accepted; or
  - 2.7.3 the situation has not otherwise been resolved
- the Client shall advise the Replacement Agency and/or Replacement Subcontractor (as appropriate) that it may within 5 Working Days give notice to terminate the employment or alleged employment of such person;
- 2.8 Subject to the Replacement Agency's and/or Replacement Subcontractor acting in accordance with the provisions of Paragraphs 2.5 to 2.7 and in accordance with all applicable proper employment procedures set out in applicable Law and subject to Paragraph 2.9 below, the Agency will indemnify the Replacement Agency and/or Replacement Subcontractor against all Employee Liabilities arising out of the termination of the employment of any of the Agency's employees pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 2.7 provided that the Replacement Agency takes, or shall procure that the Replacement

Subcontractor takes, all reasonable steps to minimise any such Employee Liabilities.

- 2.9 The indemnity in Paragraph 2.8:
  - 2.9.1 shall not apply to:
    - (a) any claim for:
      - (i) discrimination, including on the grounds of sex, race, disability, age, gender reassignment, marriage or civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity or sexual orientation, religion or belief; or
      - (ii) equal pay or compensation for less favourable treatment of part-time workers or fixed-term employees,

In any case in relation to any alleged act or omission of the Replacement Agency and/or Replacement Subcontractor, or

- (b) any claim that the termination of employment was unfair because the Replacement Agency and/or Replacement Subcontractor neglected to follow a fair dismissal procedure; and
- 2.9.2 shall apply only where the notification referred to in Paragraph 2.5.1 is made by the Replacement Agency and/or Replacement Subcontractor to the Agency within 6 months of the Service Transfer Date..
- 2.10 If any such person as is described in Paragraph 2.5 is neither re-employed by the Agency or any Subcontractor nor dismissed by the Replacement Agency and/or Replacement Subcontractor within the time scales set out in Paragraphs 2.5 to 2.7, such person shall be treated as a Transferring Agency Employee.
- 2.11 The Agency shall comply, and shall procure that each Subcontractor shall comply, with all its obligations under the Employment Regulations and shall perform and discharge, and shall procure that each Subcontractor shall perform and discharge, all its obligations in respect of any person identified in the Agency's Final Agency Personnel List before and on the Service Transfer Date (including the payment of all remuneration, benefits, entitlements and outgoings, all wages, accrued but untaken holiday pay, bonuses, commissions, payments of PAYE, national insurance contributions and pension contributions and such sums due as a result of any Fair Deal Employees' participation in the Schemes and any requirement to set up a broadly comparable pension scheme which in any case are attributable in whole or in part in respect of the period up to (and including) the Service Transfer Date) and any necessary apportionments in respect of any periodic payments shall be made between:

- (a) the Agency and/or any Subcontractor; and
- (b) the Replacement Agency and/or the Replacement Subcontractor.
- 2.12 The Agency shall, and shall procure that each Subcontractor shall, promptly provide the Client and any Replacement Agency and/or Replacement Subcontractor, in writing such information as is necessary to enable the Client, the Replacement Agency and/or Replacement Subcontractor to carry out their respective duties under regulation 13 of the Employment Regulations. The Client shall procure that the Replacement Agency and/or Replacement Subcontractor, shall promptly provide to the Agency and each Subcontractor in writing such information as is necessary to enable the Agency and each Subcontractor to carry out their respective duties under regulation 13 of the Employment Regulations.
- 2.13 Subject to Paragraph 2.14, the Client shall procure that the Replacement Agency indemnifies the Agency on its own behalf and on behalf of any Replacement Subcontractor and its Subcontractors against any Employee Liabilities arising from or as a result of:
  - 2.13.1 any act or omission of the Replacement Agency and/or Replacement Subcontractor in respect of any Transferring Agency Employee in the Agency's Final Agency Personnel List or any appropriate employee representative (as defined in the Employment Regulations) of any such Transferring Agency Employee;
  - 2.13.2 the breach or non-observance by the Replacement Agency and/or Replacement Subcontractor on or after the Service Transfer Date of:
    - (a) any collective agreement applicable to the Transferring Agency Employees identified in the Agency's Final Agency Personnel List; and/or
    - (b) any custom or practice in respect of any Transferring Agency Employees identified in the Agency's Final Agency Personnel List which the Replacement Agency and/or Replacement Subcontractor is contractually bound to honour;
  - 2.13.3 any claim by any trade union or other body or person representing any Transferring Agency Employees identified in the Agency's Final Agency Personnel List arising from or connected with any failure by the Replacement Agency and/or Replacement Subcontractor to comply with any legal obligation to such trade union, body or person arising on or after the Service Transfer Date:
  - 2.13.4 any proposal by the Replacement Agency and/or Replacement Subcontractor to change the terms and conditions of employment

or working conditions of any Transferring Agency Employees identified in the Agency's Final Agency Personnel List on or after their transfer to the Replacement Agency or Replacement Subcontractor (as the case may be) on the Service Transfer Date, or to change the terms and conditions of employment or working conditions of any person identified in the Agency's Final Agency Personnel List who would have been a Transferring Agency Employee but for their resignation (or decision to treat their employment as terminated under regulation 4(9) of the Employment Regulations) before the Service Transfer Date as a result of or for a reason connected to such proposed changes;

- 2.13.5 any statement communicated to or action undertaken by the Replacement Agency or Replacement Subcontractor to, or in respect of, any Transferring Agency Employee identified in the Agency's Final Agency Personnel List on or before the Service Transfer Date regarding the Relevant Transfer which has not been agreed in advance with the Agency in writing;
- 2.13.6 any proceeding, claim or demand by HMRC or other statutory authority in respect of any financial obligation including, but not limited to, PAYE and primary and secondary national insurance contributions:
  - (a) in relation to any Transferring Agency Employee identified in the Agency's Final Agency Personnel List, to the extent that the proceeding, claim or demand by HMRC or other statutory authority relates to financial obligations arising after the Service Transfer Date; and
  - (b) in relation to any employee who is not a Transferring Agency Employee identified in the Agency's Final Agency Personnel List, and in respect of whom it is later alleged or determined that the Employment Regulations applied so as to transfer his/her employment from the Agency or Subcontractor, to the Replacement Agency or Replacement Subcontractor to the extent that the proceeding, claim or demand by HMRC or other statutory authority relates to financial obligations arising after the Service Transfer Date;
- 2.13.7 a failure of the Replacement Agency or Replacement Subcontractor to discharge or procure the discharge of all wages, salaries and all other benefits and all PAYE tax deductions and national insurance contributions relating to the Transferring Agency Employees identified in the Agency's Final Agency Personnel List in respect of the period from (and including) the Service Transfer Date; and
- 2.13.8 any claim made by or in respect of a Transferring Agency Employee identified in the Agency's Final Agency Personnel List or any appropriate employee representative (as defined in the

Employment Regulations) of any such Transferring Agency Employee relating to any act or omission of the Replacement Agency or Replacement Subcontractor in relation to obligations under regulation 13 of the Employment Regulations.

2.14 The indemnities in Paragraph 2.13 shall not apply to the extent that the Employee Liabilities arise or are attributable to an act or omission of the Agency and/or any Subcontractor (as applicable) whether occurring or having its origin before, on or after the Service Transfer Date, including any Employee Liabilities arising from the failure by the Agency and/or any Subcontractor (as applicable) to comply with its obligations under the Employment Regulations.

#### **Call-Off Schedule 3 (Continuous Improvement)**

#### 1. Client's Rights

1.1 The Client and the Agency recognise that, where specified in Framework Schedule 4 (Framework Management), the Client may give CCS the right to enforce the Client's rights under this Schedule.

#### 2. Agency's Obligations

- 2.1 The Agency must, throughout the Contract Period, identify new or potential improvements to the provision of the Deliverables with a view to reducing the Client's costs (including the Charges) and/or improving the quality and efficiency of the Deliverables and their supply to the Client.
- 2.2 The Agency must adopt a policy of continuous improvement in relation to the Deliverables, which must include regular reviews with the Client of the Deliverables and the way it provides them, with a view to reducing the Client's costs (including the Charges) and/or improving the quality and efficiency of the Deliverables. The Agency and the Client must provide each other with any information relevant to meeting this objective.
- 2.3 In addition to Paragraph 2.1, the Agency shall produce at the start of each Contract Year a plan for improving the provision of Deliverables and/or reducing the Charges (without adversely affecting the performance of this Contract) during that Contract Year ("Continuous Improvement Plan") for the Client's Approval. The Continuous Improvement Plan must include, as a minimum, proposals:
  - 2.3.1 identifying the emergence of relevant new and evolving technologies;
  - 2.3.2 changes in business processes of the Agency or the Client and ways of working that would provide cost savings and/or enhanced benefits to the Client (such as methods of interaction, supply chain efficiencies, reduction in energy consumption and methods of sale);
  - 2.3.3 new or potential improvements to the provision of the Deliverables including the quality, responsiveness, procedures, benchmarking methods, likely performance mechanisms and customer support services in relation to the Deliverables; and
  - 2.3.4 measuring and reducing the sustainability impacts of the Agency's operations and supply-chains relating to the Deliverables, and identifying opportunities to assist the Client in meeting their sustainability objectives.
- 2.4 The initial Continuous Improvement Plan for the first (1st) Contract Year shall be submitted by the Agency to the Client for Approval within one hundred (100) Working Days of the first Order or six (6) Months following the Start Date, whichever is earlier.
- 2.5 The Client shall notify the Agency of its Approval or rejection of the proposed Continuous Improvement Plan or any updates to it within twenty (20) Working Days of receipt. If it is rejected then the Agency shall, within

- ten (10) Working Days of receipt of notice of rejection, submit a revised Continuous Improvement Plan reflecting the changes required. Once Approved, it becomes the Continuous Improvement Plan for the purposes of this Contract.
- 2.6 The Agency must provide sufficient information with each suggested improvement to enable a decision on whether to implement it. The Agency shall provide any further information as requested.
- 2.7 If the Client wishes to incorporate any improvement into this Contract, it must request a Variation in accordance with the Variation Procedure and the Agency must implement such Variation at no additional cost to the Client or CCS.
- 2.8 Once the first Continuous Improvement Plan has been Approved in accordance with Paragraph 2.5:
  - 2.8.1 the Agency shall use all reasonable endeavours to implement any agreed deliverables in accordance with the Continuous Improvement Plan; and
  - 2.8.2 the Parties agree to meet as soon as reasonably possible following the start of each quarter (or as otherwise agreed between the Parties) to review the Agency's progress against the Continuous Improvement Plan.
- 2.9 The Agency shall update the Continuous Improvement Plan as and when required but at least once every Contract Year (after the first (1st) Contract Year) in accordance with the procedure and timescales set out in Paragraph 2.3.
- 2.10 All costs relating to the compilation or updating of the Continuous Improvement Plan and the costs arising from any improvement made pursuant to it and the costs of implementing any improvement, shall have no effect on and are included in the Charges.
- 2.11 Should the Agency's costs in providing the Deliverables to the Client be reduced as a result of any changes implemented, all of the cost savings shall be passed on to the Client by way of a consequential and immediate reduction in the Charges for the Deliverables.
- 2.12 If at any time during the Term the Agency reduces its Framework Prices for Deliverables provided in accordance with the terms of the Framework Contract, the Agency shall immediately reduce the Charges for the Deliverables under the Call-Off Contract by the same amount. This obligation applies whether or not the Deliverables are offered in a catalogue provided under the Framework Contract.

### Call-Off Schedule 4 (Proposal)

**Call-Off Schedule 5 (Pricing Details)** 

#### Call-Off Schedule 7 (Key Agency Staff)

- 1.1 The Order Form (Letter of Appointment) lists the key roles ("Key Roles") and names of the persons who the Agency shall appoint to fill those Key Roles at the Start Date.
- 1.2 The Agency shall ensure that the Key Staff fulfil the Key Roles at all times during the Contract Period.
- 1.3 The Client may identify any further roles as being Key Roles and, following agreement to the same by the Agency, the relevant person selected to fill those Key Roles shall be included on the list of Key Staff.
- 1.4 The Agency shall not and shall procure that any Subcontractor shall not remove or replace any Key Staff unless:
  - 1.4.1 requested to do so by the Client or the Client Approves such removal or replacement (not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed);
  - 1.4.2 the person concerned resigns, retires or dies or is on maternity or longterm sick leave; or
  - 1.4.3 the person's employment or contractual arrangement with the Agency or Subcontractor is terminated for material breach of contract by the employee.

#### 1.5 The Agency shall:

- 1.5.1 notify the Client promptly of the absence of any Key Staff (other than for short-term sickness or holidays of two (2) weeks or less, in which case the Agency shall ensure appropriate temporary cover for that Key Role):
- 1.5.2 ensure that any Key Role is not vacant for any longer than ten (10) Working Days;
- 1.5.3 give as much notice as is reasonably practicable of its intention to remove or replace any member of Key Staff and, except in the cases of death, unexpected ill health or a material breach of the Key Staff's employment contract, this will mean at least three (3) Months' notice;
- 1.5.4 ensure that all arrangements for planned changes in Key Staff provide adequate periods during which incoming and outgoing staff work together to transfer responsibilities and ensure that such change does not have an adverse impact on the provision of the Deliverables; and
- 1.5.5 ensure that any replacement for a Key Role has a level of qualifications and experience appropriate to the relevant Key Role and is fully competent to carry out the tasks assigned to the Key Staff whom he or she has replaced.
- 1.6 The Client may require the Agency to remove or procure that any Subcontractor shall remove any Key Staff that the Client considers in any

respect unsatisfactory. The Client shall not be liable for the cost of replacing any Key Staff.

#### **Call-Off Schedule 8 (Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery)**

#### 1. Definitions

1.1 In this Schedule, the following words shall have the following meanings and they shall supplement Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions):

"BCDR Plan" has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 2.2

of this Schedule;

"Business Continuity

Plan"

has the meaning given to it in Paragraph

2.3.2 of this Schedule;

"Disaster" the occurrence of one or more events which,

either separately or cumulatively, mean that the Deliverables, or a material part thereof will be unavailable (or could reasonably be

anticipated to be unavailable);

"Disaster Recovery

**Deliverables**"

the Deliverables embodied in the processes and procedures for restoring the provision of Deliverables following the occurrence of a

Disaster:

"Disaster Recovery Plan" has the meaning given to it in Paragraph

2.3.3 of this Schedule;

"Disaster Recovery

System"

the system embodied in the processes and procedures for restoring the provision of Deliverables following the occurrence of a

Disaster;

"Related Agency" any person who provides Deliverables to the

Client which are related to the Deliverables

from time to time;

"Review Report" has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 6.3

of this Schedule; and

"Agency's Proposals" has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 6.3

of this Schedule:

#### 2. BCDR Plan

- 2.1 The Client and the Agency recognise that, where specified in Schedule 4 (Framework Management), CCS shall have the right to enforce the Client's rights under this Schedule.
- 2.2 At least ninety (90) Working Days prior to the Start Date the Agency shall prepare and deliver to the Client for the Client's written approval a plan (a "BCDR Plan"), which shall detail the processes and arrangements that the Agency shall follow to:

- 2.2.1 ensure continuity of the business processes and operations supported by the Services following any failure or disruption of any element of the Deliverables: and
- 2.2.2 the recovery of the Deliverables in the event of a Disaster
- 2.3 The BCDR Plan shall be divided into three sections:
  - 2.3.1 Section 1 which shall set out general principles applicable to the BCDR Plan;
  - 2.3.2 Section 2 which shall relate to business continuity (the **"Business Continuity Plan"**); and
  - 2.3.3 Section 3 which shall relate to disaster recovery (the "Disaster Recovery Plan").
- 2.4 Following receipt of the draft BCDR Plan from the Agency, the Parties shall use reasonable endeavours to agree the contents of the BCDR Plan. If the Parties are unable to agree the contents of the BCDR Plan within twenty (20) Working Days of its submission, then such Dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure.
- 3. General Principles of the BCDR Plan (Section 1)
- 3.1 Section 1 of the BCDR Plan shall:
  - 3.1.1 set out how the business continuity and disaster recovery elements of the BCDR Plan link to each other;
  - 3.1.2 provide details of how the invocation of any element of the BCDR Plan may impact upon the provision of the Deliverables and any goods and/or services provided to the Client by a Related Agency;
  - 3.1.3 contain an obligation upon the Agency to liaise with the Client and any Related Agencies with respect to business continuity and disaster recovery:
  - 3.1.4 detail how the BCDR Plan interoperates with any overarching disaster recovery or business continuity plan of the Client and any of its other Related Agency in each case as notified to the Agency by the Client from time to time;
  - 3.1.5 contain a communication strategy including details of an incident and problem management service and advice and help desk facility which can be accessed via multiple channels;
  - 3.1.6 contain a risk analysis, including:
  - (a) failure or disruption scenarios and assessments of likely frequency of occurrence;
  - (b) identification of any single points of failure within the provision of Deliverables and processes for managing those risks;

- identification of risks arising from the interaction of the provision of Deliverables with the goods and/or services provided by a Related Agency; and
- (d) a business impact analysis of different anticipated failures or disruptions;
- 3.1.7 provide for documentation of processes, including business processes, and procedures;
- 3.1.8 set out key contact details for the Agency (and any Subcontractors) and for the Client;
- 3.1.9 identify the procedures for reverting to "normal service";
- 3.1.10 set out method(s) of recovering or updating data collected (or which ought to have been collected) during a failure or disruption to minimise data loss:
- 3.1.11 identify the responsibilities (if any) that the Client has agreed it will assume in the event of the invocation of the BCDR Plan; and
- 3.1.12 provide for the provision of technical assistance to key contacts at the Client as required by the Client to inform decisions in support of the Client's business continuity plans.
- 3.2 The BCDR Plan shall be designed so as to ensure that:
  - 3.2.1 the Deliverables are provided in accordance with this Contract at all times during and after the invocation of the BCDR Plan;
  - 3.2.2 the adverse impact of any Disaster is minimised as far as reasonably possible;
  - 3.2.3 it complies with the relevant provisions of ISO/IEC 27002; ISO22301/ISO22313 and all other industry standards from time to time in force; and
  - 3.2.4 it details a process for the management of disaster recovery testing.
- 3.3 The BCDR Plan shall be upgradeable and sufficiently flexible to support any changes to the Deliverables and the business operations supported by the provision of Deliverables.
- 3.4 The Agency shall not be entitled to any relief from its obligations under the Performance Indicators (PI's) or Service levels, or to any increase in the Charges to the extent that a Disaster occurs as a consequence of any breach by the Agency of this Contract.

#### 4. Business Continuity (Section 2)

4.1 The Business Continuity Plan shall set out the arrangements that are to be invoked to ensure that the business processes facilitated by the provision of Deliverables remain supported and to ensure continuity of the business operations supported by the Services including:

- 4.1.1 the alternative processes, options and responsibilities that may be adopted in the event of a failure in or disruption to the provision of Deliverables; and
- 4.1.2 the steps to be taken by the Agency upon resumption of the provision of Deliverables in order to address the effect of the failure or disruption.
- 4.2 The Business Continuity Plan shall:
  - 4.2.1 address the various possible levels of failures of or disruptions to the provision of Deliverables;
  - 4.2.2 set out the goods and/or services to be provided and the steps to be taken to remedy the different levels of failures of and disruption to the Deliverables:
  - 4.2.3 specify any applicable Performance Indicators with respect to the provision of the Business Continuity Services and details of any agreed relaxation to the Performance Indicators (Pl's) or Service Levels in respect of the provision of other Deliverables during any period of invocation of the Business Continuity Plan; and
  - 4.2.4 set out the circumstances in which the Business Continuity Plan is invoked.

# 5. Disaster Recovery (Section 3)

- 5.1 The Disaster Recovery Plan (which shall be invoked only upon the occurrence of a Disaster) shall be designed to ensure that upon the occurrence of a Disaster the Agency ensures continuity of the business operations of the Client supported by the Services following any Disaster or during any period of service failure or disruption with, as far as reasonably possible, minimal adverse impact.
- 5.2 The Agency's BCDR Plan shall include an approach to business continuity and disaster recovery that addresses the following:
  - 5.2.1 loss of access to the Client Premises;
  - 5.2.2 loss of utilities to the Client Premises:
  - 5.2.3 loss of the Agency's helpdesk or CAFM system;
  - 5.2.4 loss of a Subcontractor;
  - 5.2.5 emergency notification and escalation process;
  - 5.2.6 contact lists:
  - 5.2.7 staff training and awareness;
  - 5.2.8 BCDR Plan testing;
  - 5.2.9 post implementation review process;
  - 5.2.10 any applicable Performance Indicators (Pl's) with respect to the provision of the disaster recovery services and details of any agreed relaxation to the Performance Indicators (Pl's) or Service Levels in

- respect of the provision of other Deliverables during any period of invocation of the Disaster Recovery Plan;
- 5.2.11 details of how the Agency shall ensure compliance with security standards ensuring that compliance is maintained for any period during which the Disaster Recovery Plan is invoked;
- 5.2.12 access controls to any disaster recovery sites used by the Agency in relation to its obligations pursuant to this Schedule; and
- 5.2.13 testing and management arrangements.

# 6. Review and changing the BCDR Plan

- 6.1 The Agency shall review the BCDR Plan:
  - 6.1.1 on a regular basis and as a minimum once every six (6) Months;
  - 6.1.2 within three (3) calendar Months of the BCDR Plan (or any part) having been invoked pursuant to Paragraph 7; and
  - 6.1.3 where the Client requests in writing any additional reviews (over and above those provided for in Paragraphs 6.1.1 and 6.1.2 of this Schedule) whereupon the Agency shall conduct such reviews in accordance with the Client's written requirements. Prior to starting its review, the Agency shall provide an accurate written estimate of the total costs payable by the Client for the Client's approval. The costs of both Parties of any such additional reviews shall be met by the Client except that the Agency shall not be entitled to charge the Client for any costs that it may incur above any estimate without the Client's prior written approval.
- 6.2 Each review of the BCDR Plan pursuant to Paragraph 6.1 shall assess its suitability having regard to any change to the Deliverables or any underlying business processes and operations facilitated by or supported by the Services which have taken place since the later of the original approval of the BCDR Plan or the last review of the BCDR Plan, and shall also have regard to any occurrence of any event since that date (or the likelihood of any such event taking place in the foreseeable future) which may increase the likelihood of the need to invoke the BCDR Plan. The review shall be completed by the Agency within such period as the Client shall reasonably require.
- 6.3 The Agency shall, within twenty (20) Working Days of the conclusion of each such review of the BCDR Plan, provide to the Client a report (a "Review Report") setting out the Agency's proposals (the "Agency's Proposals") for addressing any changes in the risk profile and its proposals for amendments to the BCDR Plan.
- 6.4 Following receipt of the Review Report and the Agency's Proposals, the Parties shall use reasonable endeavours to agree the Review Report and the Agency's Proposals. If the Parties are unable to agree Review Report and the Agency's Proposals within twenty (20) Working Days of its submission, then such Dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure.

6.5 The Agency shall as soon as is reasonably practicable after receiving the approval of the Agency's Proposals effect any change in its practices or procedures necessary so as to give effect to the Agency's Proposals. Any such change shall be at the Agency's expense unless it can be reasonably shown that the changes are required because of a material change to the risk profile of the Deliverables.

# 7. Testing the BCDR Plan

- 7.1 The Agency shall test the BCDR Plan:
  - 7.1.1 regularly and in any event not less than once in every Contract Year;
  - 7.1.2 in the event of any major reconfiguration of the Deliverables
  - 7.1.3 at any time where the Client considers it necessary (acting in its sole discretion).
- 7.2 If the Client requires an additional test of the BCDR Plan, it shall give the Agency written notice and the Agency shall conduct the test in accordance with the Client's requirements and the relevant provisions of the BCDR Plan. The Agency's costs of the additional test shall be borne by the Client unless the BCDR Plan fails the additional test in which case the Agency's costs of that failed test shall be borne by the Agency.
- 7.3 The Agency shall undertake and manage testing of the BCDR Plan in full consultation with and under the supervision of the Client and shall liaise with the Client in respect of the planning, performance, and review, of each test, and shall comply with the reasonable requirements of the Client.
- 7.4 The Agency shall ensure that any use by it or any Subcontractor of "live" data in such testing is first approved with the Client. Copies of live test data used in any such testing shall be (if so required by the Client) destroyed or returned to the Client on completion of the test.
- 7.5 The Agency shall, within twenty (20) Working Days of the conclusion of each test, provide to the Client a report setting out:
  - 7.5.1 the outcome of the test:
  - 7.5.2 any failures in the BCDR Plan (including the BCDR Plan's procedures) revealed by the test; and
  - 7.5.3 the Agency's proposals for remedying any such failures.
- 7.6 Following each test, the Agency shall take all measures requested by the Client to remedy any failures in the BCDR Plan and such remedial activity and re-testing shall be completed by the Agency, at its own cost, by the date reasonably required by the Client.

#### 8. Invoking the BCDR Plan

8.1 In the event of a complete loss of service or in the event of a Disaster, the Agency shall immediately invoke the BCDR Plan (and shall inform the Client

promptly of such invocation). In all other instances the Agency shall invoke or test the BCDR Plan only with the prior consent of the Client.

# 9. Circumstances beyond your control

9.1 The Agency shall not be entitled to relief under Clause 20 (Circumstances beyond your control) if it would not have been impacted by the Force Majeure Event had it not failed to comply with its obligations under this Schedule.

# Call-Off Schedule 9 (Security)

# Part B: Long Form Security Requirements

#### 1. Definitions

1.1 In this Schedule the following words shall have the following meanings and they shall supplement Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions):

# "Breach of Security"

means the occurrence of:

- any unauthorised access to or use of the Goods and/or Deliverables, the Sites and/or any Information and Communication Technology ("ICT"), information or data (including the Confidential Information and the Government Data) used by the Client and/or the Agency in connection with this Contract; and/or
- b) the loss and/or unauthorised disclosure of any information or data (including the Confidential Information and the Government Data), including any copies of such information or data, used by the Client and/or the Agency in connection with this Contract,

in either case as more particularly set out in the security requirements in the Security Policy where the Client has required compliance therewith in accordance with paragraph 3.4.3 d;

"ISMS"

the information security management system and process developed by the Agency in accordance with Paragraph 3 (ISMS) as updated from time to time in accordance with this Schedule; and

"Security Tests"

tests to validate the ISMS and security of all relevant processes, systems, incident response plans, patches to vulnerabilities and mitigations to Breaches of Security.

#### 2. Security Requirements

- 2.1 The Client and the Agency recognise that, where specified in Framework Schedule 4 (Framework Management), CCS shall have the right to enforce the Client's rights under this Schedule.
- 2.2The Parties acknowledge that the purpose of the ISMS and Security Management Plan are to ensure a good organisational approach to security under which the specific requirements of this Contract will be met.

2.3The Parties shall each appoint a security representative to be responsible for Security. The initial security representatives of the Parties are:

# 2.3.1

- 2.4The Client shall clearly articulate its high level security requirements so that the Agency can ensure that the ISMS, security related activities and any mitigations are driven by these fundamental needs.
- 2.5Both Parties shall provide a reasonable level of access to any members of their staff for the purposes of designing, implementing and managing security.
- 2.6 The Agency shall use as a minimum Good Industry Practice in the day to day operation of any system holding, transferring or processing Government Data and any system that could directly or indirectly have an impact on that information, and shall ensure that Government Data remains under the effective control of the Agency at all times.
- 2.7The Agency shall ensure the up-to-date maintenance of a security policy relating to the operation of its own organisation and systems and on request shall supply this document as soon as practicable to the Client.
- 2.8 The Client and the Agency acknowledge that information security risks are shared between the Parties and that a compromise of either the Agency or the Client's security provisions represents an unacceptable risk to the Client requiring immediate communication and co-operation between the Parties.

# 3. Information Security Management System (ISMS)

- 3.1 The Agency shall develop and submit to the Client, within twenty (20) Working Days after the Start Date, an information security management system for the purposes of this Contract and shall comply with the requirements of Paragraphs 3.4 to 3.6.
- 3.2The Agency acknowledges that the Client places great emphasis on the reliability of the performance of the Deliverables, confidentiality, integrity and availability of information and consequently on the security provided by the ISMS and that the Agency shall be responsible for the effective performance of the ISMS.
- 3.3The Client acknowledges that;
  - 3.3.1 If the Client has not stipulated during a Further Competition that it requires a bespoke ISMS, the ISMS provided by the Agency may be an extant ISMS covering the Services and their implementation across the Agency's estate; and
  - 3.3.2 Where the Client has stipulated that it requires a bespoke ISMS then the Agency shall be required to present the ISMS for the Client's Approval.

#### 3.4The ISMS shall:

- 3.4.1 if the Client has stipulated that it requires a bespoke ISMS, be developed to protect all aspects of the Deliverables and all processes associated with the provision of the Deliverables, including the Client Premises, the Sites, the Agency System, the Client System (to the extent that it is under the control of the Agency) and any ICT, information and data (including the Client's Confidential Information and the Government Data) to the extent used by the Client or the Agency in connection with this Contract;
- 3.4.2 meet the relevant standards in ISO/IEC 27001 and ISO/IEC27002 in accordance with Paragraph 7;
- 3.4.3 at all times provide a level of security which:
  - a) is in accordance with the Law and this Contract:
  - b) complies with the Baseline Security Requirements;
  - c) as a minimum demonstrates Good Industry Practice;
  - d) where specified by a Client that has undertaken a Further Competition complies with the Security Policy and the ICT Policy;
  - e) complies with at least the minimum set of security measures and standards as determined by the Security Policy Framework (Tiers 1-4)

    (https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/security-policy-framework/hmg-security-policy-framework)
  - takes account of guidance issued by the Centre for Protection of National Infrastructure (https://www.cpni.gov.uk)
  - g) complies with HMG Information Assurance Maturity
    Model and Assurance Framework
    (https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/articles/hmg-ia-maturity-modeliamm)
  - h) meets any specific security threats of immediate relevance to the ISMS, the Deliverables and/or Government Data;
  - addresses issues of incompatibility with the Agency's own organisational security policies; and
  - j) complies with ISO/IEC27001 and ISO/IEC27002 in accordance with Paragraph 7;
- 3.4.4 document the security incident management processes and incident response plans;
- 3.4.5 document the vulnerability management policy including processes for identification of system vulnerabilities and assessment of the potential impact on the Deliverables of any new threat, vulnerability

- or exploitation technique of which the Agency becomes aware, prioritisation of security patches, testing of security patches, application of security patches, a process for Client approvals of exceptions, and the reporting and audit mechanism detailing the efficacy of the patching policy; and
- 3.4.6 be certified by (or by a person with the direct delegated authority of) a Agency's main board representative, being the "Chief Security Officer", "Chief Information Officer", "Chief Technical Officer" or "Chief Financial Officer" (or equivalent as agreed in writing by the Client in advance of issue of the relevant Security Management Plan).
- 3.5 Subject to Paragraph 2 the references to Standards, guidance and policies contained or set out in Paragraph 3.4 shall be deemed to be references to such items as developed and updated and to any successor to or replacement for such standards, guidance and policies, as notified to the Agency from time to time.
- 3.6 In the event that the Agency becomes aware of any inconsistency in the provisions of the standards, guidance and policies set out in Paragraph 3.4, the Agency shall immediately notify the Client Representative of such inconsistency and the Client Representative shall, as soon as practicable, notify the Agency as to which provision the Agency shall comply with.
- 3.7 If the bespoke ISMS submitted to the Client pursuant to Paragraph 3.3.1 is Approved by the Client, it shall be adopted by the Agency immediately and thereafter operated and maintained in accordance with this Schedule. If the ISMS is not Approved by the Client, the Agency shall amend it within ten (10) Working Days of a notice of non-approval from the Client and re-submit it to the Client for Approval. The Parties shall use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that the Approval process takes as little time as possible and in any event no longer than fifteen (15) Working Days from the date of the first submission of the ISMS to the Client. If the Client does not Approve the ISMS following its resubmission, the matter shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure. No Approval to be given by the Client pursuant to this Paragraph 3 may be unreasonably withheld or delayed. However any failure to approve the ISMS on the grounds that it does not comply with any of the requirements set out in Paragraphs 3.4 to 3.6 shall be deemed to be reasonable.
- 3.8 Approval by the Client of the ISMS pursuant to Paragraph 3.7 or of any change to the ISMS shall not relieve the Agency of its obligations under this Schedule.

#### 4. Security Management Plan

4.1 Within twenty (20) Working Days after the Start Date, the Agency shall prepare and submit to the Client for Approval in accordance with Paragraph 4 fully developed, complete and up-to-date Security Management Plan which shall comply with the requirements of Paragraph 4.2.

- 4.2The Security Management Plan shall:
  - 4.2.1 be based on the initial Security Management Plan set out in Annex 2 (Security Management Plan);
  - 4.2.2 comply with the Baseline Security Requirements and, where specified by the Client in accordance with paragraph 3.4.3 d, the Security Policy;
  - 4.2.3 identify the necessary delegated organisational roles defined for those responsible for ensuring this Schedule is complied with by the Agency;
  - 4.2.4 detail the process for managing any security risks from Subcontractors and third parties authorised by the Client with access to the Goods and/or Services, processes associated with the delivery of the Goods and/or Services, the Client Premises, the Sites, the Agency System, the Client System (to the extent that it is under the control of the Agency) and any ICT, Information and data (including the Client's Confidential Information and the Government Data) and any system that could directly or indirectly have an impact on that information, data and/or the Deliverables;
  - 4.2.5 unless otherwise specified by the Client in writing, be developed to protect all aspects of the Deliverables and all processes associated with the delivery of the Deliverables, including the Client Premises, the Sites, the Agency System, the Client System (to the extent that it is under the control of the Agency) and any ICT, Information and data (including the Client's Confidential Information and the Government Data) to the extent used by the Client or the Agency in connection with this Contract or in connection with any system that could directly or indirectly have an impact on that Information, data and/or the Deliverables;
  - 4.2.6 set out the security measures to be implemented and maintained by the Agency in relation to all aspects of the Deliverables and all processes associated with the delivery of the Deliverables and at all times comply with and specify security measures and procedures which are sufficient to ensure that the Deliverables comply with the provisions of this Schedule (including the requirements set out in Paragraph 3.4);
  - 4.2.7 demonstrate that the Agency's approach to delivery of the Deliverables has minimised the Client and Agency effort required to comply with this Schedule through consideration of available, appropriate and practicable pan-government accredited services (for example, 'platform as a service' offering from the G-Cloud catalogue);
  - 4.2.8 set out the plans for transitioning all security arrangements and responsibilities from those in place at the Start Date to those incorporated in the ISMS within the timeframe agreed between the Parties;

- 4.2.9 set out the scope of the Client System that is under the control of the Agency;
- 4.2.10 be structured in accordance with ISO/IEC27001 and ISO/IEC27002, cross-referencing if necessary to other Schedules which cover specific areas included within those standards; and
- 4.2.11 be written in plain English in language which is readily comprehensible to the staff of the Agency and the Client engaged in the Deliverables and shall reference only documents which are in the possession of the Parties or whose location is otherwise specified in this Schedule.
- 4.3 If the Security Management Plan submitted to the Client pursuant to Paragraph 4.1 is Approved by the Client, it shall be adopted by the Agency immediately and thereafter operated and maintained in accordance with this Schedule. If the Security Management Plan is not approved by the Client, the Agency shall amend it within ten (10) Working Days of a notice of nonapproval from the Client and re-submit it to the Client for Approval. The Parties shall use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that the Approval process takes as little time as possible and in any event no longer than fifteen (15) Working Days from the date of the first submission to the Client of the Security Management Plan. If the Client does not Approve the Security Management Plan following its resubmission, the matter shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure. No Approval to be given by the Client pursuant to this Paragraph may be unreasonably withheld or delayed. However any failure to approve the Security Management Plan on the grounds that it does not comply with the requirements set out in Paragraph 4.2 shall be deemed to be reasonable.
- 4.4Approval by the Client of the Security Management Plan pursuant to Paragraph 4.3 or of any change or amendment to the Security Management Plan shall not relieve the Agency of its obligations under this Schedule.

#### 5. Amendment of the ISMS and Security Management Plan

- 5.1 The ISMS and Security Management Plan shall be fully reviewed and updated by the Agency and at least annually to reflect:
  - 5.1.1 emerging changes in Good Industry Practice;
  - 5.1.2 any change or proposed change to the Agency System, the Deliverables and/or associated processes;
  - 5.1.3 any new perceived or changed security threats;
  - 5.1.4 where required in accordance with paragraph 3.4.3 d, any changes to the Security Policy:
  - 5.1.5 any new perceived or changed security threats; and
  - 5.1.6 any reasonable change in requirement requested by the Client.
- 5.2The Agency shall provide the Client with the results of such reviews as soon as reasonably practicable after their completion and amend the ISMS and

Security Management Plan at no additional cost to the Client. The results of the review shall include, without limitation:

- 5.2.1 suggested improvements to the effectiveness of the ISMS;
- 5.2.2 updates to the risk assessments;
- 5.2.3 proposed modifications to the procedures and controls that affect information security to respond to events that may impact on the ISMS; and
- 5.2.4 suggested improvements in measuring the effectiveness of controls.
- 5.3 Subject to Paragraph 5.4, any change which the Agency proposes to make to the ISMS or Security Management Plan (as a result of a review carried out pursuant to Paragraph 5.1, a Client request, a change to Annex 1 (Security) or otherwise) shall be subject to the Variation Procedure and shall not be implemented until Approved in writing by the Client.
- 5.4The Client may, acting reasonably, Approve and require changes or amendments to the ISMS or Security Management Plan to be implemented on timescales faster than set out in the Variation Procedure but, without prejudice to their effectiveness, all such changes and amendments shall thereafter be subject to the Variation Procedure for the purposes of formalising and documenting the relevant change or amendment.

# 6. Security Testing

- 6.1 The Agency shall conduct Security Tests from time to time (and at least annually across the scope of the ISMS) and additionally after any change or amendment to the ISMS (including security incident management processes and incident response plans) or the Security Management Plan. Security Tests shall be designed and implemented by the Agency so as to minimise the impact on the delivery of the Deliverables and the date, timing, content and conduct of such Security Tests shall be agreed in advance with the Client. Subject to compliance by the Agency with the foregoing requirements, if any Security Tests adversely affect the Agency's ability to deliver the Deliverables so as to meet the KPIs, the Agency shall be granted relief against any resultant under-performance for the period of the Security Tests.
- 6.2The Client shall be entitled to send a representative to witness the conduct of the Security Tests. The Agency shall provide the Client with the results of such Security Tests (in a form approved by the Client in advance) as soon as practicable after completion of each Security Test.
- 6.3 Without prejudice to any other right of audit or access granted to the Client pursuant to this Contract, the Client and/or its authorised representatives shall be entitled, at any time upon giving reasonable notice to the Agency, to carry out such tests (including penetration tests) as it may deem necessary in relation to the ISMS and the Agency's compliance with the ISMS and the Security Management Plan. The Client may notify the Agency of the results of such tests after completion of each such test. If any such Client's test adversely affects the Agency's ability to deliver the Deliverables so as to meet

- the KPIs, the Agency shall be granted relief against any resultant underperformance for the period of the Client's test.
- 6.4 Where any Security Test carried out pursuant to Paragraphs 6.2 or 6.3 reveals any actual or potential Breach of Security or weaknesses (including unpatched vulnerabilities, poor configuration and/or incorrect system management), the Agency shall promptly notify the Client of any changes to the ISMS and to the Security Management Plan (and the implementation thereof) which the Agency proposes to make in order to correct such failure or weakness. Subject to the Client's prior written Approval, the Agency shall implement such changes to the ISMS and the Security Management Plan and repeat the relevant Security Tests in accordance with the timetable agreed with the Client or, otherwise, as soon as reasonably possible. For the avoidance of doubt, where the change to the ISMS or Security Management Plan is to address a non-compliance with the Security Policy or security requirements (as set out in Annex 1 (Baseline Security Requirements) to this Schedule) or the requirements of this Schedule, the change to the ISMS or Security Management Plan shall be at no cost to the Client.
- 6.5 If any repeat Security Test carried out pursuant to Paragraph 6.4 reveals an actual or potential Breach of Security exploiting the same root cause failure, such circumstance shall constitute a material Default of this Contract.

# 7. Complying with the ISMS

- 7.1 The Client shall be entitled to carry out such security audits as it may reasonably deem necessary in order to ensure that the ISMS maintains compliance with the principles and practices of ISO 27001 and/or the Security Policy where such compliance is required in accordance with paragraph 3.4.3 d
- 7.2 If, on the basis of evidence provided by such security audits, it is the Client's reasonable opinion that compliance with the principles and practices of ISO/IEC 27001 and/or, where relevant, the Security Policy are not being achieved by the Agency, then the Client shall notify the Agency of the same and give the Agency a reasonable time (having regard to the extent and criticality of any non-compliance and any other relevant circumstances) to implement and remedy. If the Agency does not become compliant within the required time then the Client shall have the right to obtain an independent audit against these standards in whole or in part.
- 7.3 If, as a result of any such independent audit as described in Paragraph the Agency is found to be non-compliant with the principles and practices of ISO/IEC 27001 and/or, where relevant, the Security Policy then the Agency shall, at its own expense, undertake those actions required in order to achieve the necessary compliance and shall reimburse in full the costs incurred by the Client in obtaining such audit.

# 8. Security Breach

- 8.1 Either Party shall notify the other in accordance with the agreed security incident management process as defined by the ISMS upon becoming aware of any breach of security or any potential or attempted Breach of Security.
- 8.2 Without prejudice to the security incident management process, upon becoming aware of any of the circumstances referred to in Paragraph 8.1, the Agency shall:
  - 8.2.1 immediately take all reasonable steps (which shall include any action or changes reasonably required by the Client) necessary to:
    - a) minimise the extent of actual or potential harm caused by any Breach of Security;
    - remedy such Breach of Security or any potential or attempted Breach of Security in order to protect the integrity of the Client Property and/or Client Assets and/or ISMS to the extent that this is within the Agency's control;
    - c) apply a tested mitigation against any such Breach of Security or attempted Breach of Security and provided that reasonable testing has been undertaken by the Agency, if the mitigation adversely affects the Agency's ability to provide the Deliverables so as to meet the relevant Service Level Performance Indicators, the Agency shall be granted relief against any resultant under-performance for such period as the Client, acting reasonably, may specify by written notice to the Agency;
    - d) prevent a further Breach of Security or any potential or attempted Breach of Security in the future exploiting the same root cause failure; and
    - e) supply any requested data to the Client (or the Computer Emergency Response Team for UK Government ("GovCertUK")) on the Client's request within two (2) Working Days and without charge (where such requests are reasonably related to a possible incident or compromise); and
    - f) as soon as reasonably practicable provide to the Client full details (using the reporting mechanism defined by the ISMS) of the Breach of Security or attempted Breach of Security, including a root cause analysis where required by the Client.
- 8.3In the event that any action is taken in response to a Breach of Security or potential or attempted Breach of Security that demonstrates non-compliance of the ISMS with the Security Policy (where relevant) or the requirements of this Schedule, then any required change to the ISMS shall be at no cost to the Client.

#### 9. Vulnerabilities and fixing them

- 9.1 The Client and the Agency acknowledge that from time to time vulnerabilities in the ICT Environment will be discovered which unless mitigated will present an unacceptable risk to the Client's information.
- 9.2The severity of threat vulnerabilities for COTS Software shall be categorised by the Agency as 'Critical', 'Important' and 'Other' by aligning these categories to the vulnerability scoring according to the agreed method in the ISMS and using the appropriate vulnerability scoring systems including:
  - 9.2.1 the 'National Vulnerability Database' 'Vulnerability Severity Ratings': 'High', 'Medium' and 'Low' respectively (these in turn are aligned to CVSS scores as set out by NIST http://nvd.nist.gov/cvss.cfm); and
  - 9.2.2 Microsoft's 'Security Bulletin Severity Rating System' ratings 'Critical', 'Important', and the two remaining levels ('Moderate' and 'Low') respectively.
- 9.3 The Agency shall procure the application of security patches to vulnerabilities within a maximum period from the public release of such patches with those vulnerabilities categorised as 'Critical' within 14 days of release, 'Important' within 30 days of release and all 'Other' within 60 Working Days of release, except where:
  - 9.3.1 the Agency can demonstrate that a vulnerability is not exploitable within the context of any Service (e.g. because it resides in a software component which is not running in the service) provided vulnerabilities which the Agency asserts cannot be exploited within the context of a Service must be remedied by the Agency within the above timescales if the vulnerability becomes exploitable within the context of the Service:
  - 9.3.2 the application of a 'Critical' or 'Important' security patch adversely affects the Agency's ability to deliver the Services in which case the Agency shall be granted an extension to such timescales of 5 days, provided the Agency had followed and continues to follow the security patch test plan agreed with the Client; or
  - 9.3.3 the Client agrees a different maximum period after a case-by-case consultation with the Agency under the processes defined in the ISMS.
- 9.4The Specification and Mobilisation Plan (if applicable) shall include provisions for major version upgrades of all COTS Software to be upgraded within 6 Months of the release of the latest version, such that it is no more than one major version level below the latest release (normally codified as running software no older than the 'n-1 version') throughout the Term unless:
  - 9.4.1 where upgrading such COTS Software reduces the level of mitigations for known threats, vulnerabilities or exploitation techniques, provided always that such upgrade is made within 12 Months of release of the latest version; or

9.4.2 is agreed with the Client in writing.

#### 9.5 The Agency shall:

- 9.5.1 implement a mechanism for receiving, analysing and acting upon threat information supplied by GovCertUK, or any other competent Central Government Body;
- 9.5.2 ensure that the ICT Environment (to the extent that the ICT Environment is within the control of the Agency) is monitored to facilitate the detection of anomalous behaviour that would be indicative of system compromise;
- 9.5.3 ensure it is knowledgeable about the latest trends in threat, vulnerability and exploitation that are relevant to the ICT Environment by actively monitoring the threat landscape during the Contract Period;
- 9.5.4 pro-actively scan the ICT Environment (to the extent that the ICT Environment is within the control of the Agency) for vulnerable components and address discovered vulnerabilities through the processes described in the ISMS as developed under Paragraph 3.3.5;
- 9.5.5 from the date specified in the Security Management Plan provide a report to the Client within five (5) Working Days of the end of each Month detailing both patched and outstanding vulnerabilities in the ICT Environment (to the extent that the ICT Environment is within the control of the Agency) and any elapsed time between the public release date of patches and either time of application or for outstanding vulnerabilities the time of issue of such report;
- 9.5.6 propose interim mitigation measures to vulnerabilities in the ICT Environment known to be exploitable where a security patch is not immediately available;
- 9.5.7 remove or disable any extraneous interfaces, services or capabilities that are not needed for the provision of the Services (in order to reduce the attack surface of the ICT Environment); and
- 9.5.8 inform the Client when it becomes aware of any new threat, vulnerability or exploitation technique that has the potential to affect the security of the ICT Environment and provide initial indications of possible mitigations.
- 9.6 If the Agency is unlikely to be able to mitigate the vulnerability within the timescales under this Paragraph 9, the Agency shall immediately notify the Client.
- 9.7A failure to comply with Paragraph 9.3 shall constitute a Default, and the Agency shall comply with the Rectification Plan Process.

#### Part B - Annex 1:

#### **Baseline security requirements**

### 1. Handling Classified information

1.1 The Agency shall not handle Client information classified SECRET or TOP SECRET except if there is a specific requirement and in this case prior to receipt of such information the Agency shall seek additional specific guidance from the Client.

#### 2. End user devices

- 2.1 When Government Data resides on a mobile, removable or physically uncontrolled device it must be stored encrypted using a product or system component which has been formally assured through a recognised certification process of the National Cyber Security Centre ("NCSC") to at least Foundation Grade, for example, under the NCSC Commercial Product Assurance scheme ("CPA").
- 2.2 Devices used to access or manage Government Data and services must be under the management authority of Client or Agency and have a minimum set of security policy configuration enforced. These devices must be placed into a 'known good' state prior to being provisioned into the management authority of the Client. Unless otherwise agreed with the Client in writing, all Agency devices are expected to meet the set of security requirements set out in the End User Devices Security Guidance (<a href="https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/guidance/end-user-device-security">https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/guidance/end-user-device-security</a>). Where the guidance highlights shortcomings in a particular platform the Agency may wish to use, then these should be discussed with the Client and a joint decision shall be taken on whether the residual risks are acceptable. Where the Agency wishes to deviate from the NCSC guidance, then this should be agreed in writing on a case by case basis with the Client.

#### 3. Data Processing, Storage, Management and Destruction

- 3.1 The Supplier and Buyer recognise the need for the Buyer's information to be safeguarded under the UK Data Protection regime or a similar regime. To that end, the Supplier must be able to state to the Buyer the physical locations in which data may be stored, processed and managed from, and what legal and regulatory frameworks Government Data will be subject to at all times.
- 3.2 The Supplier shall agree any change in location of data storage, processing and administration with the Buyer in accordance with Clause 14 (Data protection).
- 3.3The Supplier shall:
  - 3.3.1 provide the Buyer with all Government Data on demand in an agreed open format;

- 3.3.2 have documented processes to guarantee availability of Government Data in the event of the Supplier ceasing to trade;
- 3.3.3 securely destroy all media that has held Government Data at the end of life of that media in line with Good Industry Practice; and
- 3.3.4 securely erase any or all Government Data held by the Supplier when requested to do so by the Buyer.

# 4. Ensuring secure communications

- 4.1 The Buyer requires that any Government Data transmitted over any public network (including the Internet, mobile networks or un-protected enterprise network) or to a mobile device must be encrypted using a product or system component which has been formally assured through a certification process recognised by NCSC, to at least Foundation Grade, for example, under CPA.
- 4.2 The Buyer requires that the configuration and use of all networking equipment to provide the Services, including those that are located in secure physical locations, are at least compliant with Good Industry Practice.

#### 5. Security by design

- 5.1 The Supplier shall apply the 'principle of least privilege' (the practice of limiting systems, processes and user access to the minimum possible level) to the design and configuration of IT systems which will process or store Government Data.
- 5.2 When designing and configuring the ICT Environment (to the extent that the ICT Environment is within the control of the Supplier) the Supplier shall follow Good Industry Practice and seek guidance from recognised security professionals with the appropriate skills and/or a NCSC certification (<a href="https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/section/products-services/ncsc-certification">https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/section/products-services/ncsc-certification</a>) for all bespoke or complex components of the ICT Environment (to the extent that the ICT Environment is within the control of the Supplier).

#### 6. Security of Supplier Staff

- 6.1 Supplier Staff shall be subject to pre-employment checks that include, as a minimum: identity, unspent criminal convictions and right to work.
- 6.2The Supplier shall agree on a case by case basis Supplier Staff roles which require specific government clearances (such as 'SC') including system administrators with privileged access to IT systems which store or process Government Data.
- 6.3The Supplier shall prevent Supplier Staff who are unable to obtain the required security clearances from accessing systems which store, process, or are used to manage Government Data except where agreed with the Buyer in writing.
- 6.4 All Supplier Staff that have the ability to access Government Data or systems holding Government Data shall undergo regular training on secure information

- management principles. Unless otherwise agreed with the Buyer in writing, this training must be undertaken annually.
- 6.5 Where the Supplier or Subcontractors grants increased ICT privileges or access rights to Supplier Staff, those Supplier Staff shall be granted only those permissions necessary for them to carry out their duties. When staff no longer need elevated privileges or leave the organisation, their access rights shall be revoked within one (1) Working Day.

#### 7. Restricting and monitoring access

7.1 The Supplier shall operate an access control regime to ensure all users and administrators of the ICT Environment (to the extent that the ICT Environment is within the control of the Supplier) are uniquely identified and authenticated when accessing or administering the Services. Applying the 'principle of least privilege', users and administrators shall be allowed access only to those parts of the ICT Environment that they require. The Supplier shall retain an audit record of accesses.

#### 8. Audit

- 8.1 The Supplier shall collect audit records which relate to security events in the systems or that would support the analysis of potential and actual compromises. In order to facilitate effective monitoring and forensic readiness such Supplier audit records should (as a minimum) include:
  - 8.1.1 Logs to facilitate the identification of the specific asset which makes every outbound request external to the ICT Environment (to the extent that the ICT Environment is within the control of the Supplier). To the extent the design of the Deliverables allows such logs shall include those from DHCP servers, HTTP/HTTPS proxy servers, firewalls and routers.
  - 8.1.2 Security events generated in the ICT Environment (to the extent that the ICT Environment is within the control of the Supplier) and shall include: privileged account log-on and log-off events, the start and termination of remote access sessions, security alerts from desktops and server operating systems and security alerts from third party security software.
- 8.2The Supplier and the Buyer shall work together to establish any additional audit and monitoring requirements for the ICT Environment.
- 8.3 The Supplier shall retain audit records collected in compliance with this Paragraph 8 for a period of at least 6 Months.

# Part B – Annex 2 - Security Management Plan



# **Call-Off Schedule 10 (Exit Management)**

#### 1. Definitions

1.1 In this Schedule, the following words shall have the following meanings and they shall supplement Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions):

"Exclusive Assets" 4 Agency Assets used exclusively by the

Agency in the provision of the

Deliverables;

**"Exit Information"** 5 has the meaning given to it in

Paragraph 3.1 of this Schedule;

**"Exit Manager"** 6 the person appointed by each Party to

manage their respective obligations under

this Schedule;

"Exit Plan" 7 the plan produced and updated by the

Agency during the Initial Period in accordance with Paragraph 4 of this

Schedule;

"Net Book Value" 8 the current net book value of the relevant

Agency Asset(s) calculated in accordance with the Framework Tender or Call-Off Tender (if stated) or (if not stated) the depreciation policy of the Agency (which the Agencyshall ensure is in accordance

with Good Industry Practice);

"Non-Exclusive Assets" 9 those Agency Assets used by the Agency

in connection with the Deliverables but which are also used by the Agency for

other purposes;

"Registers" 10 the register and configuration

database referred to in Paragraph 2.2 of

this Schedule;

"Replacement Goods" 11 any goods which are substantially

similar to any of the Goods and which the Client receives in substitution for any of the Goods following the End Date,

whether those goods are provided by the

Client internally and/or by any third party;

12 any services which are substantially similar to any of the Services and which the Client receives in substitution for any

of the Services following the End Date,

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"Replacement Services"

whether those goods are provided by the Client internally and/or by any third party;

"Termination Assistance"

13 the activities to be performed by the Agency pursuant to the Exit Plan, and other assistance required by the Client pursuant to the Termination Assistance Notice;

"Termination Assistance Notice"

has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 5.1 of this Schedule;

"Termination Assistance Period"

the period specified in a Termination Assistance Notice for which the Agency is required to provide the Termination Assistance as such period may be extended pursuant to Paragraph 5.2 of this Schedule;

"Transferable Assets"

16 Exclusive Assets which are capable of legal transfer to the Client :

"Transferable Contracts"

17 Sub-Contracts, licences for the Agency's software, licences for third party software or other agreements which are necessary to enable the Client or any Replacement agency to provide the Deliverables or the Replacement Goods and/or Replacement Services, including in relation to licences all relevant

Documentation:

"Transferring Assets"

has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 8.2.1 of this Schedule;

"Transferring Contracts"

19 has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 8.2.3 of this Schedule.

## 2. Agency must always be prepared for contract exit

- 2.1 The Agency shall within 30 days from the Start Date provide to the Client a copy of its depreciation policy to be used for the purposes of calculating Net Book Value.
- 2.2 During the Contract Period, the Agency shall promptly:
  - 2.2.1 create and maintain a detailed register of all Agency Assets (including description, condition, location and details of ownership and status as either Exclusive Assets or Non-Exclusive Assets and Net Book Value) and Sub-contracts and other relevant agreements required in connection with the Deliverables; and

2.2.2 create and maintain a configuration database detailing the technical infrastructure and operating procedures through which the Agency provides the Deliverables

("Registers").

#### 2.3 The shall:

- 2.3.1 ensure that all Exclusive Assets listed in the Registers are clearly physically identified as such; and
- 2.3.2 procure that all licences for Third Party Software and all Sub-Contracts shall be assignable and/or capable of novation (at no cost or restriction to the Client) at the request of the Client to the Client (and/or its nominee) and/or any Replacement Agency upon the Agency ceasing to provide the Deliverables (or part of them) and if the Agency is unable to do so then the Agency shall promptly notify the Client and the Client may require the Agency to procure an alternative Subcontractor or provider of Deliverables.
- 2.4 Each Party shall appoint an Exit Manager within three (3) Months of the Start Date. The Parties' Exit Managers will liaise with one another in relation to all issues relevant to the expiry or termination of this Contract.
- 2.5 The Agency shall ensure at no cost to the Client that all digital data that is the Existing IPR of the Client or New IPR to be assigned to the Client can be identified and returned to the Client in an open format on demand and advise the Client of any Transferable Contracts and technical information that would assist in the continued use of such data.

# 3. Assisting re-competition for Deliverables

- 3.1 The Agency shall, on reasonable notice, provide to the Client and/or its potential Replacement Agencys (subject to the potential Replacement Agencys entering into reasonable written confidentiality undertakings), such information (including any access) as the Client shall reasonably require in order to facilitate the preparation by the Client of any invitation to tender and/or to facilitate any potential Replacement Agencys undertaking due diligence (the "Exit Information").
- 3.2 The Agency acknowledges that the Client may disclose the Agency's Confidential Information (excluding the Agency's or its Subcontractors' prices or costs) to an actual or prospective Replacement Agency to the extent that such disclosure is necessary in connection with such engagement.
- 3.3 The Agency shall provide complete updates of the Exit Information on an as-requested basis as soon as reasonably practicable and notify the Client within five (5) Working Days of any material change to the Exit Information which may adversely impact upon the provision of any Deliverables (and shall consult the Client in relation to any such changes).
- 3.4 The Exit Information shall be accurate and complete in all material respects and shall be sufficient to enable a third party to prepare an informed offer for

those Deliverables; and not be disadvantaged in any procurement process compared to the Agency.

#### 4. Exit Plan

- 4.1 The Agency shall, within three (3) Months after the Start Date, deliver to the Client an Exit Plan which complies with the requirements set out in Paragraph 4.3 of this Schedule and is otherwise reasonably satisfactory to the Client.
- 4.2 The Parties shall use reasonable endeavours to agree the contents of the Exit Plan. If the Parties are unable to agree the contents of the Exit Plan within twenty (20) Working Days of the latest date for its submission pursuant to Paragraph 4.1, then such Dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure.
- 4.3 The Exit Plan shall set out, as a minimum:
  - 4.3.1 a detailed description of both the transfer and cessation processes, including a timetable;
  - 4.3.2 how the Deliverables will transfer to the Replacement Agency and/or the Client;
  - 4.3.3 details of any contracts which will be available for transfer to the Client and/or the Replacement Agency upon the Expiry Date together with any reasonable costs required to effect such transfer;
  - 4.3.4 proposals for the training of key members of the Replacement Agency's staff in connection with the continuation of the provision of the Deliverables following the Expiry Date;
  - 4.3.5 proposals for providing the Client or a Replacement Agency copies of all documentation (including without limitation database schema and any other digital resources) relating to the use and operation of the Deliverables and required for their continued use;
  - 4.3.6 proposals for the assignment or novation of all services utilised by the Agency in connection with the supply of the Deliverables;
  - 4.3.7 proposals for the identification and return, or transfer to the Replacement Agency, of all Client Assets in the possession of and/or control of the Agency or any third party;
  - 4.3.8 proposals for the disposal of any redundant Deliverables and materials;
  - 4.3.9 how the Agency will ensure that there is no disruption to or degradation of the Deliverables during the Termination Assistance Period; and
  - 4.3.10 any other information or assistance reasonably required by the Client or a Replacement Agency.

# 4.4 The Agency shall:

- 4.4.1 maintain and update the Exit Plan (and risk management plan) no less frequently than:
  - (a) every [six (6) months] throughout the Contract Period; and
  - (b) no later than [twenty (20) Working Days] after a request from the Client for an up-to-date copy of the Exit Plan;

  - (d) as soon as reasonably possible following, and in any event no later than [twenty (20) Working Days] following, any material change to the Deliverables (including all changes under the Variation Procedure); and
- 4.4.2 jointly review and verify the Exit Plan if required by the Client and promptly correct any identified failures.
- 4.5 Only if (by notification to the Agency in writing) the Client agrees with a draft Exit Plan provided by the Agency under Paragraph 4.2 or 4.4 (as the context requires), shall that draft become the Exit Plan for this Contract.
- 4.6 A version of an Exit Plan agreed between the parties shall not be superseded by any draft submitted by the Agency.

#### 5. Termination Assistance

- 5.1 The Client shall be entitled to require the provision of Termination Assistance at any time during the Contract Period by giving written notice to the Agency (a "Termination Assistance Notice") at least four (4) Months prior to the Expiry Date or as soon as reasonably practicable (but in any event, not later than one (1) Month) following the service by either Party of a Termination Notice. The Termination Assistance Notice shall specify:
  - 5.1.1 the nature of the Termination Assistance required; and
  - 5.1.2 the start date and initial period during which it is anticipated that Termination Assistance will be required, which shall continue no longer than twelve (12) Months after the End Date.
- 5.2 The Client shall have an option to extend the Termination Assistance Period beyond the initial period specified in the Termination Assistance Notice in one or more extensions, in each case provided that:
  - 5.2.1 no such extension shall extend the Termination Assistance Period beyond the date twelve (12) Months after the End Date; and
  - the Client shall notify the Agency of any such extension no later than twenty (20) Working Days prior to the date on which the Termination Assistance Period is otherwise due to expire.

- 5.3 The Client shall have the right to terminate its requirement for Termination Assistance by serving not less than (20) Working Days' written notice upon the Agency.
- 5.4 In the event that Termination Assistance is required by the Client but at the relevant time the parties are still agreeing an update to the Exit Plan pursuant to Paragraph 4, the Agency will provide the Termination Assistance in good faith and in accordance with the principles in this Schedule and the last Client approved version of the Exit Plan (insofar as it still applies).

#### 6. Termination Assistance Period

- 6.1 Throughout the Termination Assistance Period the Agency shall:
  - 6.1.1 continue to provide the Deliverables (as applicable) and otherwise perform its obligations under this Contract and, if required by the Client, provide the Termination Assistance;
  - 6.1.2 provide to the Client and/or its Replacement Agency any reasonable assistance and/or access requested by the Client and/or its Replacement Agency including assistance and/or access to facilitate the orderly transfer of responsibility for and conduct of the Deliverables to the Client and/or its Replacement Agency;
  - 6.1.3 use all reasonable endeavours to reallocate resources to provide such assistance without additional costs to the Client;
  - 6.1.4 subject to Paragraph 6.3, provide the Deliverables and the Termination Assistance at no detriment to the Key Performance Indicators (KPI's) or Service Levels, the provision of the Management Information or any other reports nor to any other of the Agency's obligations under this Contract;
  - 6.1.5 at the Client's request and on reasonable notice, deliver up-to-date Registers to the Client;
  - 6.1.6 seek the Client's prior written consent to access any Client Premises from which the de-installation or removal of Agency Assets is required.
- 6.2 If it is not possible for the Agency to reallocate resources to provide such assistance as is referred to in Paragraph 6.1.2 without additional costs to the Client, any additional costs incurred by the Agency in providing such reasonable assistance shall be subject to the Variation Procedure.
- 6.3 If the Agency demonstrates to the Client's reasonable satisfaction that the provision of the Termination Assistance will have a material, unavoidable adverse effect on the Agency's ability to meet one or more particular Service Levels, the Parties shall vary the relevant Service Levels accordingly.

#### 7. Obligations when the contract is terminated

- 7.1 The Agency shall comply with all of its obligations contained in the Exit Plan.
- 7.2 Upon termination or expiry or at the end of the Termination Assistance Period (or earlier if this does not adversely affect the Agency's performance of the Deliverables and the Termination Assistance), the Agency shall:
  - 7.2.1 vacate any Client Premises;
  - 7.2.2 remove the Agency Equipment together with any other materials used by the Agency to supply the Deliverables and shall leave the Sites in a clean, safe and tidy condition. The Agency is solely responsible for making good any damage to the Sites or any objects contained thereon, other than fair wear and tear, which is caused by the Agency;
  - 7.2.3 provide access during normal working hours to the Client and/or the Replacement Agency for up to twelve (12) Months after expiry or termination to:
    - (a) such information relating to the Deliverables as remains in the possession or control of the Agency; and
    - (b) such members of the Agency Staff as have been involved in the design, development and provision of the Deliverables and who are still employed by the Agency, provided that the Client and/or the Replacement Agency shall pay the reasonable costs of the Agency actually incurred in responding to such requests for access.
- 7.3 Except where this Contract provides otherwise, all licences, leases and authorisations granted by the Client to the Agency in relation to the Deliverables shall be terminated with effect from the end of the Termination Assistance Period.

#### 8. Assets, Sub-contracts and Software

- 8.1 Following notice of termination of this Contract and during the Termination Assistance Period, the Agency shall not, without the Client's prior written consent:
  - 8.1.1 terminate, enter into or vary any Sub-contract or licence for any software in connection with the Deliverables; or
  - 8.1.2 (subject to normal maintenance requirements) make material modifications to, or dispose of, any existing Agency Assets or acquire any new Agency Assets.

- 8.2 Within twenty (20) Working Days of receipt of the up-to-date Registers provided by the Agency, the Client shall notify the Agency setting out:
  - 8.2.1 which, if any, of the Transferable Assets the Client requires to be transferred to the Client and/or the Replacement Agency ("Transferring Assets");
  - 8.2.2 which, if any, of:
    - (a) the Exclusive Assets that are not Transferable Assets; and
    - (b) the Non-Exclusive Assets,
    - the Client and/or the Replacement Agency requires the continued use of; and
  - 8.2.3 which, if any, of Transferable Contracts the Client requires to be assigned or novated to the Client and/or the Replacement Agency (the "Transferring Contracts"),

in order for the Client and/or its Replacement Agency to provide the Deliverables from the expiry of the Termination Assistance Period. The Agency shall provide all reasonable assistance required by the Client and/or its Replacement Agency to enable it to determine which Transferable Assets and Transferable Contracts are required to provide the Deliverables or the Replacement Goods and/or Replacement Services.

- 8.3 With effect from the expiry of the Termination Assistance Period, the Agency shall sell the Transferring Assets to the Client and/or the Replacement Agency for their Net Book Value less any amount already paid for them through the Charges.
- 8.4 Risk in the Transferring Assets shall pass to the Client or the Replacement Agency (as appropriate) at the end of the Termination Assistance Period and title shall pass on payment for them.
- 8.5 Where the Client and/or the Replacement Agency requires continued use of any Exclusive Assets that are not Transferable Assets or any Non-Exclusive Assets, the Agency shall as soon as reasonably practicable:
  - 8.5.1 procure a non-exclusive, perpetual, royalty-free licence for the Client and/or the Replacement Agency to use such assets (with a right of sub-licence or assignment on the same terms); or failing which
  - 8.5.2 procure a suitable alternative to such assets, the Client or the Replacement Agency to bear the reasonable proven costs of procuring the same.
- 8.6 The Agency shall as soon as reasonably practicable assign or procure the novation of the Transferring Contracts to the Client and/or the Replacement Agency. The Agency shall execute such documents and provide such other assistance as the Client reasonably requires to effect this novation or assignment.

#### 8.7 The Client shall:

- 8.7.1 accept assignments from the Agency or join with the Agency in procuring a novation of each Transferring Contract; and
- 8.7.2 once a Transferring Contract is novated or assigned to the Client and/or the Replacement Agency, discharge all the obligations and liabilities created by or arising under that Transferring Contract and exercise its rights arising under that Transferring Contract, or as applicable, procure that the Replacement Agency does the same.
- 8.8 The Agency shall hold any Transferring Contracts on trust for the Client until the transfer of the relevant Transferring Contract to the Client and/or the Replacement Agency has taken place.
- 8.9 The Agency shall indemnify the Client (and/or the Replacement Agency, as applicable) against each loss, liability and cost arising out of any claims made by a counterparty to a Transferring Contract which is assigned or novated to the Client (and/or Replacement Agency) pursuant to Paragraph 8.6 in relation to any matters arising prior to the date of assignment or novation of such Transferring Contract. Clause 19 (Other people's rights in this contract) shall not apply to this Paragraph 8.9 which is intended to be enforceable by Third Parties Beneficiaries by virtue of the CRTPA.

# 9. No charges

9.1 Unless otherwise stated, the Client shall not be obliged to pay for costs incurred by the Agency in relation to its compliance with this Schedule.

#### 10. Dividing the bills

- 10.1 All outgoings, expenses, rents, royalties and other periodical payments receivable in respect of the Transferring Assets and Transferring Contracts shall be apportioned between the Client and/or the Replacement and the Agency as follows:
  - 10.1.1 the amounts shall be annualised and divided by 365 to reach a daily rate;
  - 10.1.2 the Client or Replacement Agency (as applicable) shall be responsible for or entitled to (as the case may be) that part of the value of the invoice pro rata to the number of complete days following the transfer, multiplied by the daily rate; and
  - 10.1.3 the Agency shall be responsible for or entitled to (as the case may be) the rest of the invoice.

# Call-Off Schedule 13 (Implementation Plan and Testing) Part A - Implementation

#### 1. Definitions

1.1 In this Schedule, the following words shall have the following meanings and they shall supplement Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions):

"Delay"

a) a delay in the Achievement of a Milestone by its Milestone Date; or

 b) a delay in the design, development, testing or implementation of a Deliverable by the relevant date set out in the Implementation Plan:

"Deliverable Item"

20 an item or feature in the supply of the Deliverables delivered or to be delivered by the Agency at or before a Milestone Date listed in the Implementation Plan;

"Milestone Payment"

21 a payment identified in the Implementation Plan to be made following the issue of a Satisfaction Certificate in respect of Achievement of the relevant Milestone:

Implementation Period"

has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 7.1;

### 2. Agreeing and following the Implementation Plan

- 2.1 A draft of the Implementation Plan is set out in the Annex to this Schedule. The Agency shall provide a further draft Implementation Plan 60 days after the Call-Off Contract Start Date.
- 2.2 The draft Implementation Plan:
  - 2.2.1 must contain information at the level of detail necessary to manage the implementation stage effectively and as the Client may otherwise require; and
  - 2.2.2 it shall take account of all dependencies known to, or which should reasonably be known to, the Agency.
- 2.3 Following receipt of the draft Implementation Plan from the Agency, the Parties shall use reasonable endeavours to agree the contents of the Implementation Plan. If the Parties are unable to agree the contents of the Implementation Plan within twenty (20) Working Days of its submission, then such Dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure.
- 2.4 The Agency shall provide each of the Deliverable Items identified in the Implementation Plan by the date assigned to that Deliverable Item

- in the Implementation Plan so as to ensure that each Milestone identified in the Implementation Plan is Achieved on or before its Milestone Date.
- 2.5 The Agency shall monitor its performance against the Implementation Plan and Milestones (if any) and report to the Client on such performance.

# 3. Reviewing and changing the Implementation Plan

- 3.1 Subject to Paragraph 4.3, the Agency shall keep the Implementation Plan under review in accordance with the Client's instructions and ensure that it is updated on a regular basis.
- 3.2 The Client shall have the right to require the Agency to include any reasonable changes or provisions in each version of the Implementation Plan.
- 3.3 Changes to any Milestones, Milestone Payments and Delay Payments shall only be made in accordance with the Variation Procedure.
- 3.4 Time in relation to compliance with the Implementation Plan shall be of the essence and failure of the Agency to comply with the Implementation Plan shall be a material Default.

# 4. Security requirements before the Start Date

- 4.1 The Agency shall note that it is incumbent upon them to understand the lead-in period for security clearances and ensure that all Agency Staff have the necessary security clearance in place before the Call-Off Start Date. The Agency shall ensure that this is reflected in their Implementation Plans.
- 4.2 The Agency shall ensure that all Agency Staff and Subcontractors do not access the Client's IT systems, or any IT systems linked to the Client, unless they have satisfied the Client's security requirements.
- 4.3 The Agency shall be responsible for providing all necessary information to the Client to facilitate security clearances for Agency Staff and Subcontractors in accordance with the Client's requirements.
- 4.4 The Agency shall provide the names of all Agency Staff and Subcontractors and inform the Client of any alterations and additions as they take place throughout the Call-Off Contract.
- 4.5 The Agency shall ensure that all Agency Staff and Subcontractors requiring access to the Client Premises have the appropriate security clearance. It is the Agency's responsibility to establish whether or not the level of clearance will be sufficient for access. Unless prior approval has been received from the Client, the Agency shall be

- responsible for meeting the costs associated with the provision of security cleared escort services.
- 4.6 If a property requires Agency Staff or Subcontractors to be accompanied by the Client's Authorised Representative, the Client must be given reasonable notice of such a requirement, except in the case of emergency access.

# 5. What to do if there is a Delay

- 5.1 If the Agency becomes aware that there is, or there is reasonably likely to be, a Delay under this Contract it shall:
  - 5.1.1 notify the Client as soon as practically possible and no later than within two (2) Working Days from becoming aware of the Delay or anticipated Delay;
  - 5.1.2 include in its notification an explanation of the actual or anticipated impact of the Delay;
  - 5.1.3 comply with the Client's instructions in order to address the impact of the Delay or anticipated Delay; and
  - 5.1.4 use all reasonable endeavours to eliminate or mitigate the consequences of any Delay or anticipated Delay.

#### 6. Compensation for a Delay

- 6.1 If Delay Payments have been included in the Implementation Plan and a Milestone has not been achieved by the relevant Milestone Date, the Agency shall pay to the Client such Delay Payments (calculated as set out by the Client in the Implementation Plan) and the following provisions shall apply:
  - 6.1.1 the Agency acknowledges and agrees that any Delay Payment is a price adjustment and not an estimate of the Loss that may be suffered by the Client as a result of the Agency's failure to Achieve the corresponding Milestone;
  - 6.1.2 Delay Payments shall be the Client's exclusive financial remedy for the Agency's failure to Achieve a Milestone by its Milestone Date except where:
    - (a) the Client is entitled to or does terminate this Contract pursuant to Clause 10.4 (When CCS or the Client can end this contract); or
    - (b) the delay exceeds the number of days (the "**Delay Period Limit**") specified in the Implementation Plan

      commencing on the relevant Milestone Date;
  - 6.1.3 the Delay Payments will accrue on a daily basis from the relevant Milestone Date until the date when the Milestone is Achieved:

- 6.1.4 no payment or other act or omission of the Client shall in any way affect the rights of the Client to recover the Delay Payments or be deemed to be a waiver of the right of the Client to recover any such damages; and
- 6.1.5 Delay Payments shall not be subject to or count towards any limitation on liability set out in Clause 11 (How much you can be held responsible for).

# **Annex 1: Implementation Plan**

The Implementation Plan template is set out below and the Milestones to be Achieved will be agreed with the Contract Management team.

Milest one	Delive rable Items	Duration	Miles tone Date	Client Responsibi lities	Milestone Payments	Delay Payments
	[ ]		[ ]	[ ]		

The Milestones will be Achieved in accordance with this Call-Off Schedule 13: (Implementation Plan and Testing)

For the purposes of Paragraph 9.1.2 the Delay Period Limit shall be 60 days.

#### Call-Off Schedule 14 (Service Levels)

#### 1. Definitions

1.1 In this Schedule, the following words shall have the following meanings and they shall supplement Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions):

"Critical Service Level Failure"	has the meaning given to it in the Order Form;
"Service Level Failure"	means a failure to meet the Service Level Performance Measure in respect of a Service Level;
"Service Level Performance Measure"	shall be as set out against the relevant Service Level in the Annex to Part A of this Schedule; and
"Service Level Threshold"	shall be as set out against the relevant Service Level in the Annex to Part A of this Schedule.

# 2. What happens if you don't meet the Service Levels

- 2.1 The Agency shall at all times provide the Deliverables to meet or exceed the Service Level Performance Measure for each Service Level.
- 2.2 The Agency shall send Performance Monitoring Reports to the Client detailing the level of service which was achieved in accordance with the provisions of Part B (Performance Monitoring) of this Schedule.
- 2.3 Not more than once in each Contract Year, the Client may, on giving the Agency at least three (3) Months' notice, change the weighting of Service Level Performance Measure in respect of one or more Service Levels and the Agency shall not be entitled to object to, or increase the Charges as a result of such changes, provided that:
  - 2.3.1 the total number of Service Levels for which the weighting is to be changed does not exceed the number applicable as at the Start Date;
  - 2.3.2 the principal purpose of the change is to reflect changes in the Client's business requirements and/or priorities or to reflect changing industry standards; and

#### 3. Critical Service Level Failure

On the occurrence of a Critical Service Level Failure:

3.1 the Client shall be entitled to withhold and retain as compensation a sum equal to any Charges which would otherwise have been due to

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# the Agency in respect of that Service Period ("Compensation for Critical Service Level Failure"),

provided that the operation of this paragraph 3 shall be without prejudice to the right of the Client to terminate this Contract and/or to claim damages from the Agency for material Default.

#### Part A: Service Levels

#### 1. Service Levels

If the level of performance of the Agency:

- 1.1 is likely to or fails to meet any Service Level Performance Measure; or
- is likely to cause or causes a Critical Service Failure to occur,

the Agency shall immediately notify the Client in writing and the Client, in its absolute discretion and without limiting any other of its rights, may:

- 1.a.1 require the Agency to immediately take all remedial action that is reasonable to mitigate the impact on the Client and to rectify or prevent a Service Level Failure or Critical Service Level Failure from taking place or recurring;
- 1.a.2 instruct the Agency to comply with the Rectification Plan Process;
- 1.a.3 if a Service Level Failure has occurred, deduct the applicable Service Level Credits payable by the Agency to the Client; and/or
- 1.a.4 if a Critical Service Level Failure has occurred, exercise its right to Compensation for Critical Service Level Failure (including the right to terminate for material Default).

#### Annex A to Part A: Services Levels

Service Levels							
Service Level Performance Criterion	,		Service Level Threshold				
	Timelines	the Client as per the agreed payment schedule (4 payments per year) demonstrating a breakdown and any underspend.	Good – >98% Approaching Target – 90 - 98% Requires Improvement – 80 - 90% Inadequate <80%				

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SLA 2: Continued positive performance on quarterly reviews	Performance - quarterly	perform against deliverables set out in the statement of work to the highest standard. Any	Score of 4 or less in 2 or more consecutive quarterly performance reviews.
SLA 3. Accurate cost estimates	Value for money	The Agency must provide a cost estimate in response to brief with breakdown of project costs (including deliverables) and estimate of potential additional costs (and flags to	Good – 100% Approaching Target – 80 - 99% Requires Improvement – 75 - 80% Inadequate <75%
Agency to report six monthly on recruitment processes	Reporting – six monthly	Considering equality for those applicants with disabilities, the agency must report on the number of advertised job vacancies, number of applicants & number of	Six-monthly reporting containing the information detailed within SLA 5: Good – 100%
including		interviewees with a disability	

statistics on and any successful applicants Approaching Target - 85-99% with a disability. Agency to equality & demonstrate within the report Requires diversity within the organisation how the application process Improvement – 75and throughout was fair and open for all. 85 recruitment Agency to highlight any lessons Inadequate <75% processes. earnt or improvements for future recruitment processes to advocate a diverse workforce. Agency to report six monthly on the number/split of the following characteristics within the workforce: Gender Ethnicity Disability Religion

# **Part B: Performance Monitoring**

## 2. Performance Monitoring and Performance Review

- 2.1 Within twenty (20) Working Days of the Start Date the Agency shall provide the Client with details of how the process in respect of the monitoring and reporting of Service Levels will operate between the Parties and the Parties will endeavour to agree such process as soon as reasonably possible.
- 2.2 The Agency shall provide the Client with performance monitoring reports ("Performance Monitoring Reports") in accordance with the process and timescales agreed pursuant to paragraph 1.1 of Part B of this Schedule which shall contain, as a minimum, the following information in respect of the relevant Service Period just ended:
  - 2.2.1 for each Service Level, the actual performance achieved over the Service Level for the relevant Service Period;
  - 2.2.2 a summary of all failures to achieve Service Levels that occurred during that Service Period;
  - 2.2.3 details of any Critical Service Level Failures;
  - 2.2.4 for any repeat failures, actions taken to resolve the underlying cause and prevent recurrence;
  - 2.2.5 such other details as the Client may reasonably require from time to time.
- 2.3 The Parties shall attend meetings to discuss Performance Monitoring Reports ("Performance Review Meetings") on a Monthly basis. The Performance Review Meetings will be the forum for the review by the

Agency and the Client of the Performance Monitoring Reports. The Performance Review Meetings shall:

- 2.3.1 take place within one (1) week of the Performance Monitoring Reports being issued by the Agency at such location and time (within normal business hours) as the Client shall reasonably require;
- 2.3.2 be attended by the Agency's Representative and the Client's Representative; and
- 2.3.3 be fully minuted by the Agency and the minutes will be circulated by the Agency to all attendees at the relevant meeting and also to the Client's Representative and any other recipients agreed at the relevant meeting.
- 2.4 The minutes of the preceding Month's Performance Review Meeting will be agreed and signed by both the Agency's Representative and the Client's Representative at each meeting.
- 2.5 The Agency shall provide to the Client such documentation as the Client may reasonably require in order to verify the level of the performance by the Agency for any specified Service Period.

#### 3. Satisfaction Surveys

3.1 The Client may undertake satisfaction surveys in respect of the Agency's provision of the Deliverables. The Client shall be entitled to notify the Agency of any aspects of their performance of the provision of the Deliverables which the responses to the Satisfaction Surveys reasonably suggest are not in accordance with this Contract.

# **Call-Off Schedule 15 (Call-Off Contract Management)**

- 1. Definitions
- 1.1 In this Schedule, the following words shall have the following meanings and they shall supplement Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions):

"Contract Manager"

the manager appointed in accordance with paragraph 2.1 of this Schedule;

- 2. Managing the contract
- 2.1 The Agency and the Client shall each appoint a Contract Manager for the purposes of this Contract through whom the provision of the Deliverables shall be managed day-to-day.
- 2.2 The Parties shall ensure that appropriate resource and expertise is made available to deliver the aims, objectives and specific provisions of the Contract. The Client will give the Agency instructions as to its requirements for the Deliverables. These will be included in a Statement of Work and may include start and end dates for each stage of the proposed Deliverables.
- 2.3 During the Contract Period, the Agency will:
- 2.3.1 keep the Client fully informed as to the progress and status of all Deliverables, by preparing and submitting written reports at such intervals and in such format as is agreed by the Parties; and
- 2.3.2 promptly inform the Client of any actual or anticipated problems relating to provision of the Deliverables. Receipt of communication from the Agency by the Client does not absolve the Agency from its responsibilities, obligations or liabilities under the Contract.
- 2.4 During the Contract Period, the Parties' respective Contract Managers will arrange and attend meetings to review the status and progress of the Deliverables and to seek to resolve any issues that have arisen. These meetings will be held at locations and intervals as agreed by the Parties.
- 2.5 Unless otherwise agreed in the Statement of Work, the Agency will produce contact reports providing each Party with a written record of matters of substance discussed at meetings or in telephone conversations between the parties within 3 Working Days of such discussions. If the Client does not question any of the subject matter of a contact report within 7 Working Days of its receipt, it will be taken to be a correct record of the meeting or telephone conversation.

#### 3. Approvals and Authority

3.1 For the purposes of this Contract, any reference to Client Approval means written approval in one of the following ways:

- 3.1.1 the Client issuing a purchase order bearing the signature of an Authorised Client Approver, or
- 3.1.2 e-mail from the individual business e-mail address of an Authorised Client Approver, or
- 3.1.3 the signature of an Authorised Client Approver on the Agency's documentation.
- 3.2 Any reference to Agency Approval means written approval in one of the following ways:
- 3.2.1 e-mail from the individual business e-mail address of an Authorised Agency Approver, or
- 3.2.2 the signature of an Authorised Agency Approver on the Client's documentation.
- 3.3 The Agency will seek the Client's prior Approval of:
- 3.3.1 any estimates or quotations for any costs to be paid by the Client that are not agreed in a Statement of Work; and
- 3.3.2 any creative treatments, including but not limited to scripts, messaging, storyboards, copy, layouts, design, artwork, or proposed marketing activity.
- 3.4 The Agency will seek the Client's prior Approval of any draft Deliverables. The Client's Approval will be the Agency's authority to proceed with the use of the relevant Deliverables.
- 3.5 If the Client does not approve of any matter requiring Approval, it must notify the Agency of its reasons for disapproval within 14 days of the Agency's request.
- 3.6 If the Client delays approving or notifying the Agency as to its disapproval, the Agency will not be liable for any resulting delays or adverse impact caused to the delivery of the Statement of Work.

#### 4. Monitoring Campaign Performance

- 4.1 The Agency agrees to provide access to data and support for Audits undertaken by the Client and its Auditors under the CRTPA relating to campaign performance under the Contract during and after campaigns.
- 4.2 The Agency will fully comply with all remote access requests.
- 4.3 The Auditor may share data with relevant key stakeholders as necessary to complete the work. Where the Client carries out an Audit it will own the resulting report and may share non-sensitive outcomes as appropriate.
- 4.4 The Agency and the Client will agree a plan to address Audit findings to optimise campaign performance.

## 5. Contract Risk Management

5.1 Both Parties will proactively manage risks attributed to them under the terms of this Contract.

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- 5.2 The Agency will develop, operate, maintain and amend, as agreed with the Client, processes for:
- 5.2.1 the identification and management of risks;
- 5.2.2 the identification and management of issues; and
- 5.2.3 monitoring and controlling project plans.

#### 6. International Work

6.1 The management and process for Client billing under Statements of Work including international work is to be agreed prior to the commencement of the Statement of Work and set out in the Statement of Work or Letter of Appointment.

#### **Annex: Contract Boards**

The Parties agree to operate the following boards at the locations and at the frequencies set out below:

Monthly

Ad hoc as required

# **Call-Off Schedule 16 (Benchmarking)**

#### 1. **DEFINITIONS**

1.1 In this Schedule, the following expressions shall have the following meanings:

"Benchmark Review"

23 a review of the Deliverables carried out in accordance with this Schedule to determine whether those Deliverables represent Good Value;

"Benchmarked Deliverables"

24 any Deliverables included within the scope of a Benchmark Review pursuant to this Schedule:

"Comparable Rates"

25 the Charges for Comparable Deliverables:

"Comparable Deliverables"

26 deliverables that are identical or materially similar to the Benchmarked Deliverables (including in terms of scope, specification, volume and quality of performance) provided that if no identical or materially similar Deliverables exist in the market, the Agency shall propose an approach for developing a comparable Deliverables benchmark:

"Comparison Group"

27 a sample group of organisations providing Comparable Deliverables which consists of organisations which are either of similar size to the Agency or which are similarly structured in terms of their business and their service offering so as to be fair comparators with the Agency or which, are best practice organisations;

"Equivalent Data"

28 data derived from an analysis of the Comparable Rates and/or the Comparable Deliverables (as applicable) provided by the Comparison Group;

"Good Value"

that the Benchmarked Rates are within the Upper Quartile; and

"Upper Quartile"

in respect of Benchmarked Rates, that based on an analysis of Equivalent Data, the Benchmarked Rates, as compared to the range of prices for Comparable Deliverables, are within the top 25% in terms of best value for money for the recipients of Comparable Deliverables.

#### 2. When you should use this Schedule

- 2.1 The Agency acknowledges that the Client wishes to ensure that the Deliverables, represent value for money to the taxpayer throughout the Contract Period.
- 2.2 This Schedule sets to ensure the Contracts represent value for money throughout and that the Client may terminate the Contract by issuing a Termination Notice to the Agency if the Agency refuses or fails to comply with its obligations as set out in Paragraphs 3 of this Schedule.
- 2.3 Amounts payable under this Schedule shall not fall with the definition of a Cost.

## 3. Benchmarking

## 3.1 How benchmarking works

- 3.1.1 The Client and the Agency recognise that, where specified in Framework Schedule 4 (Framework Management), the Client may give CCS the right to enforce the Client's rights under this Schedule.
- 3.1.2 The Client may, by written notice to the Agency, require a Benchmark Review of any or all of the Deliverables.
- 3.1.3 The Client shall not be entitled to request a Benchmark Review during the first six (6) Month period from the Contract Commencement Date or at intervals of less than twelve (12) Months after any previous Benchmark Review.
- 3.1.4 The purpose of a Benchmark Review will be to establish whether the Benchmarked Deliverables are, individually and/or as a whole, Good Value.
- 3.1.5 The Deliverables that are to be the Benchmarked Deliverables will be identified by the Client in writing.
- 3.1.6 Upon its request for a Benchmark Review the Client shall nominate a benchmarker. The Agency must approve the nomination within ten (10) Working Days unless the Agency provides a reasonable explanation for rejecting the appointment. If the appointment is rejected then the Client may propose an alternative benchmarker. If the Parties cannot agree the appointment within twenty (20) days of the initial request for Benchmark review then a benchmarker shall be selected by the Chartered Institute of Financial Accountants.
- 3.1.7 The cost of a benchmarker shall be borne by the Client (provided that each Party shall bear its own internal costs of the Benchmark Review) except where the Benchmark Review demonstrates that the Benchmarked Service and/or the Benchmarked Deliverables are not Good Value, in which case the Parties shall share the cost of the benchmarker in such proportions as the Parties agree (acting reasonably). Invoices by the benchmarker shall be raised against the Agency and the relevant portion shall be reimbursed by the Client.

# 3.2 **Benchmarking Process**

- 3.2.1 The benchmarker shall produce and send to the Client, for Approval, a draft plan for the Benchmark Review which must include:
  - (a) a proposed cost and timetable for the Benchmark Review;
  - (b) a description of the benchmarking methodology to be used which must demonstrate that the methodology to be used is capable of fulfilling the benchmarking purpose; and
  - (c) a description of how the benchmarker will scope and identify the Comparison Group.
- 3.2.2 The benchmarker, acting reasonably, shall be entitled to use any model to determine the achievement of value for money and to carry out the benchmarking.
- 3.2.3 The Client must give notice in writing to the Agency within ten (10) Working Days after receiving the draft plan, advising the benchmarker and the Agency whether it Approves the draft plan, or, if it does not approve the draft plan, suggesting amendments to that plan (which must be reasonable). If amendments are suggested then the benchmarker must produce an amended draft plan and this Paragraph 3.2.3 shall apply to any amended draft plan.
- 3.2.4 Once both Parties have approved the draft plan then they will notify the benchmarker. No Party may unreasonably withhold or delay its Approval of the draft plan.
- 3.2.5 Once it has received the Approval of the draft plan, the benchmarker shall:
  - (a) finalise the Comparison Group and collect data relating to Comparable Rates. The selection of the Comparable Rates (both in terms of number and identity) shall be a matter for the Agency's professional judgment using:
    - (i) market intelligence;
    - (ii) the benchmarker's own data and experience;
    - (iii) relevant published information; and
    - (iv) pursuant to Paragraph 3.2.6 below, information from other suppliers or purchasers on Comparable Rates;
  - (b) by applying the adjustment factors listed in Paragraph 3.2.7 and from an analysis of the Comparable Rates, derive the Equivalent Data;
  - (c) using the Equivalent Data, calculate the Upper Quartile;
  - (d) determine whether or not each Benchmarked Rate is, and/or the Benchmarked Rates as a whole are, Good Value.
- 3.2.6 The Agency shall use all reasonable endeavours and act in good faith to supply information required by the benchmarker in order to undertake the benchmarking. The Agency agrees to use its

- reasonable endeavours to obtain information from other suppliers or purchasers on Comparable Rates.
- 3.2.7 In carrying out the benchmarking analysis the benchmarker may have regard to the following matters when performing a comparative assessment of the Benchmarked Rates and the Comparable Rates in order to derive Equivalent Data:
  - (a) the contractual terms and business environment under which the Comparable Rates are being provided (including the scale and geographical spread of the customers);
  - (b) exchange rates;
  - (c) any other factors reasonably identified by the Agency, which, if not taken into consideration, could unfairly cause the Agency's pricing to appear non-competitive.

#### 3.3 Benchmarking Report

- 3.3.1 For the purposes of this Schedule "Benchmarking Report" shall mean the report produced by the benchmarker following the Benchmark Review and as further described in this Schedule:
- The benchmarker shall prepare a Benchmarking Report and deliver it to the Client, at the time specified in the plan Approved pursuant to Paragraph 3.2.3, setting out its findings. Those findings shall be required to:
  - (a) include a finding as to whether or not a Benchmarked Service and/or whether the Benchmarked Deliverables as a whole are. Good Value:
  - (b) if any of the Benchmarked Deliverables are, individually or as a whole, not Good Value, specify the changes that would be required to make that Benchmarked Service or the Benchmarked Deliverables as a whole Good Value; and
  - (c) include sufficient detail and transparency so that the Party requesting the Benchmarking can interpret and understand how the Agency has calculated whether or not the Benchmarked Deliverables are, individually or as a whole, Good Value.
- 3.3.3 The Parties agree that any changes required to this Contract identified in the Benchmarking Report shall be implemented at the direction of the Client in accordance with Clause 24 (Changing the contract).

#### Call-Off Schedule 18 (Background Checks)

# 1. When you should use this Schedule

This Schedule should be used where Agency Staff must be vetted before working on Contract.

#### 2. Definitions

"Relevant Conviction" means any conviction listed in Annex 1 to this Schedule.

# 3. Relevant Convictions

- 3.1.1 The Agency must ensure that no person who discloses that they have a Relevant Conviction, or a person who is found to have any Relevant Convictions (whether as a result of a police check or through the procedure of the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) or otherwise), is employed or engaged in any part of the provision of the Deliverables without Approval.
- 3.1.2 Notwithstanding Paragraph 2.1.1 for each member of Agency Staff who, in providing the Deliverables, has, will have or is likely to have access to children, vulnerable persons or other members of the public to whom the Client owes a special duty of care, the Agency must (and shall procure that the relevant Sub-Contractor must):
  - (a) carry out a check with the records held by the Department for Education (DfE);
  - (b) conduct thorough questioning regarding any Relevant Convictions; and
  - (c) ensure a police check is completed and such other checks as may be carried out through the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS),

and the Agency shall not (and shall ensure that any Sub-Contractor shall not) engage or continue to employ in the provision of the Deliverables any person who has a Relevant Conviction or an inappropriate record.

## **Annex 1 – Relevant Convictions**

None

# **Call-Off Schedule 20 (Call-Off Specification)**

This Schedule sets out the characteristics of the Deliverables that the Agency will be required to make available to the Buyer under this Call-Off Contract:





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