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**CONSULTANCY AGREEMENT**

between

**ACADEMY OF MEDICAL ROYAL COLLEGES**

and

**[CONSULTANT'S NAME]**

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This agreement is dated [DATE]

## Parties

- (1) The Academy of Medical Royal Colleges incorporated and registered in England and Wales with company number 3166361 whose registered office is at 10 Dallington Street, London, EC1V 0DB (**Client**)
- (2) [FULL COMPANY NAME] incorporated and registered in England and Wales with company number [NUMBER] whose registered office is at [REGISTERED OFFICE ADDRESS] (**Consultant**)

## Agreed terms

### 1. Interpretation

The following definitions and rules of interpretation apply in this agreement (unless the context requires otherwise).

#### 1.1 Definitions:

**Board:** the board of directors of the Client (including any committee of the board duly appointed by it).

**Business of the Client:** The Academy of Medical Royal Colleges is the coordinating body for the UK and Ireland's 24 medical Royal Colleges and Faculties. We ensure that patients are safely and properly cared for by setting standards for the way doctors are educated, trained and monitored throughout their careers.

**Business Opportunities:** any opportunities which the Consultant becomes aware of during the Engagement which relate to the Business of the Client or which the Board reasonably considers might be of benefit to the Client.

**Business Day:** a day, other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in England, when banks in London are open for business.

**Capacity:** as agent, consultant, director, employee, owner, partner, shareholder or in any other capacity.

**Commencement Date:** [DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF ENGAGEMENT]

**Client Property:** all documents, books, manuals, materials, records, correspondence, papers and information (on whatever media and wherever located) relating to the Business or affairs of the Client or its customers and business contacts, and any

equipment, keys, hardware or software provided for the Consultant's use by the Client during the Engagement, and any data or documents (including copies) produced, maintained or stored by the Consultant on the Client or the Consultant's computer systems or other electronic equipment during the Engagement.

**Confidential Information:** information in whatever form (including without limitation, in written, oral, visual or electronic form or on any magnetic or optical disk or memory and wherever located) relating to the business, customers, products, affairs and finances of the Client for the time being confidential to the Client and trade secrets including, without limitation, technical data and know-how relating to the Business of the Client or any of its suppliers, customers, agents, distributors, shareholders, management or business contacts, including in particular (by way of illustration only and without limitation) salary data and staff records and including (but not limited to) information that the Consultant creates, develops, receives or obtains in connection with his Engagement, whether or not such information (if in anything other than oral form) is marked confidential.

**Data Protection Legislation:** the UK Data Protection Legislation and (for so long as and to the extent that the law of the European Union has legal effect in the UK) the General Data Protection Regulation ((EU) 2016/679) and any other directly applicable European Union regulation relating to privacy.

**Engagement:** the engagement of the Consultant by the Client on the terms of this agreement.

**Insurance Policies:** professional indemnity insurance cover, employer's liability insurance cover and public liability insurance cover.

**Intellectual Property Rights:** patents, rights to Inventions, copyright and related rights, trademarks, business names and domain names, rights in get-up, goodwill and the right to sue for passing off, rights in designs, database rights, rights to use, and protect the confidentiality of, confidential information (including know-how and trade secrets) and all other intellectual property rights, in each case whether registered or unregistered and including all applications and rights to apply for and be granted, renewals or extensions of, and rights to claim priority from, such rights and all similar or equivalent rights or forms of protection which subsist or will subsist now or in the future in any part of the world.

**Invention:** any invention, idea, discovery, development, improvement or innovation made by the Consultant in the provision of the Services, whether or not patentable or capable of registration, and whether or not recorded in any medium.

**Services:** the services provided by the Consultant in a consultancy capacity for the Client as more particularly described in [Schedule 1](#).

**Termination Date:** the date of termination of this agreement, howsoever arising.

**UK Data Protection Legislation:** any data protection legislation from time to time in force in the UK including the Data Protection Act 2018 or any successor legislation.

**Works:** all records, reports, documents, papers, drawings, designs, transparencies, photos, graphics, logos, typographical arrangements, software, and all other materials in whatever form, including but not limited to hard copy and electronic form, prepared by the Consultant in the provision of the Services.

- 1.2 The headings in this agreement are inserted for convenience only and shall not affect its construction.
- 1.3 A reference to a particular law is a reference to it as it is in force for the time being taking account of any amendment, extension, or re-enactment and includes any subordinate legislation for the time being in force made under it.
- 1.4 Unless the context otherwise requires, a reference to one gender shall include a reference to the other genders.
- 1.5 Unless the context otherwise requires, words in the singular shall include the plural and in the plural shall include the singular.
- 1.6 The Schedules form part of this agreement and shall have effect as if set out in full in the body of this agreement. Any reference to this agreement includes the Schedules.

## **2. Term of engagement**

- 2.1 The Client shall engage the Consultant and the Consultant shall provide the Services on the terms of this agreement.
- 2.2 The Engagement shall commence on the Commencement Date and shall continue until the Termination Date <insert> unless terminated:
  - (a) as provided by the terms of this agreement; or
  - (b) by either party giving to the other not less than 12 weeks' prior written notice.

## **3. Duties and obligations**

- 3.1 During the Engagement the Consultant shall:
  - (a) provide the Services with all due care, skill and ability and use his best endeavours to promote the interests of the Client;
  - (b) unless prevented by ill health or accident, devote at least [NUMBER] [hours **OR** days] in each calendar month to the carrying out of the Services together with

such additional time if any as may be necessary for their proper performance;  
and

- (c) promptly give to the Board all such information and reports as it may reasonably require in connection with matters relating to the provision of the Services or the Business of the Client.

- 3.2 If the Consultant is unable to provide the Services due to illness or injury, he shall advise the Client of that fact as soon as reasonably practicable. For the avoidance of doubt, no fee shall be payable in accordance with clause 4 in respect of any period during which the Services are not provided.
- 3.3 The Consultant may, with the prior written approval of the Client and subject to the following proviso, appoint a suitably qualified and skilled Substitute to perform the Services on his behalf, provided that the Substitute shall be required to enter into direct undertakings with the Client, including with regard to confidentiality. If the Client accepts the Substitute, the Consultant shall continue to invoice the Client in accordance with clause 4 and shall be responsible for the remuneration of the Substitute. For the avoidance of doubt, the Consultant will continue to be subject to all duties and obligations under this agreement for the duration of the appointment of the Substitute.
- 3.4 If a Substitute is appointed, the provisions relating to sub-processor obligations under clause 8 will apply.
- 3.5 The Consultant shall use reasonable endeavours to ensure that he is available at all times on reasonable notice to provide such assistance or information as the Client may require.
- 3.6 Unless he has been specifically authorised to do so by the Client in writing, the Consultant shall not:
  - (a) have any authority to incur any expenditure in the name of or for the account of the Client; or
  - (b) hold himself out as having authority to bind the Client.
- 3.7 The Consultant shall comply with all reasonable standards of safety and comply with the Client's health and safety procedures from time to time in force at the premises where the Services are provided and report to the Client any unsafe working conditions or practices.

- 3.8 The Consultant shall comply with the Client's policies on [social media] [use of information and communication systems] [anti-harassment and bullying] [dress code] [OTHER RELEVANT POLICY].
- 3.9 The Consultant undertakes to the Client that during the Engagement he shall take all reasonable steps to offer (or cause to be offered) to the Client any Business Opportunities as soon as practicable after the same shall have come to his knowledge and in any event before the same shall have been offered by the Consultant (or caused by the Consultant to be offered) to any other party provided that nothing in this clause shall require the Consultant to disclose any Business Opportunities to the Client if to do so would result in a breach by the Consultant of any obligation of confidentiality or of any fiduciary duty owed by the Consultant to any third party.
- 3.10 The Consultant may use a third party to perform any administrative, clerical or secretarial functions which are reasonably incidental to the provision of the Services provided that:
- (a) the Client will not be liable to bear the cost of such functions; and
  - (b) at the Client's request the third party shall be required to enter into direct undertakings with the Client, including with regard to confidentiality.
- 3.11 The Consultant shall:
- (a) comply with all applicable laws, regulations[, codes] and sanctions relating to anti-bribery and anti-corruption including but not limited to the Bribery Act 2010 (**Relevant Requirements**);
  - (b) not engage in any activity, practice or conduct which would constitute an offence under sections 1, 2 or 6 of the Bribery Act 2010 if such activity, practice or conduct had been carried out in the UK;
  - ~~(c) comply with the Client's [Ethics and] Anti-bribery and Anti-corruption Policies (annexed to this agreement at Schedule [NUMBER]) and [RELEVANT INDUSTRY CODE ON ANTI-BRIBERY] [annexed to this agreement at Schedule [NUMBER]], in each case as the Client [or the relevant industry body] may update them from time to time (**Relevant Policies**);~~
  - (d) promptly report to the Client any request or demand for any undue financial or other advantage of any kind received by the Consultant in connection with the performance of this agreement;
  - (e) ensure that all persons associated with the Consultant or other persons who are performing services in connection with this agreement comply with this clause 3.11; and

- (f) within One month of the date of this agreement, and annually thereafter, certify to the Client in writing, his compliance with this clause 3.11. The Consultant shall provide such supporting evidence of compliance as the Client may reasonably request.
- 3.12 Failure to comply with clause 3.11 may result in the immediate termination of this agreement.
- 3.13 The Consultant shall:
- (a) not engage in any activity, practice or conduct which would constitute either:
    - (i) a UK tax evasion facilitation offence under section 45(1) of the Criminal Finances Act 2017; or
    - (ii) a foreign tax evasion facilitation offence under section 46(1) of the Criminal Finances Act 2017;
  - ~~(b) [comply with the Client's [anti-facilitation of tax evasion policy OR anti-corruption and bribery policy] [and [RELEVANT INDUSTRY CODE ON ANTI-FACILITATION OF TAX EVASION] [annexed to this agreement at schedule [INSERT]]], [a copy of which has been given to the Consultant OR which is available from [POSITION]], [in each case] as [the Client] [or] [the relevant body] may update [them OR it] from time to time;]~~
  - (c) promptly report to the Client any request or demand from a third party to facilitate the evasion of tax within the meaning of Part 3 of the Criminal Finances Act 2017 or any suspected tax evasion offences or facilitation of tax evasion offences, whether under UK law or under the law of any foreign country, in connection with the performance of this agreement;
  - (d) ensure that all persons associated with the Consultant or other persons who are performing services in connection with this agreement comply with this clause 3.13; and
  - (e) within One month of the date of this agreement, and annually thereafter, certify to the Client in writing compliance with this clause 3.13 by the Consultant and all persons associated with the Consultant or other persons who are performing services in connection with this agreement. The Consultant shall provide such supporting evidence of compliance as the Client may reasonably request.
- 3.14 Failure to comply with clause 3.13 may result in the immediate termination of this agreement.

#### **4. Fees**

- 4.1 The Client shall pay the Consultant a fee as agreed in schedule 1 exclusive of VAT. On the last working day of each month (unless work had been undertaken during this period) during the Engagement the Consultant shall submit to the Client an invoice which gives details of the hours the Consultant [or any Substitute] has worked during the month, the specific Services provided and the amount of the fee payable (plus VAT, if applicable) for the Services during that month.
- 4.2 In consideration of the provision of the Services during the Engagement, the Client shall pay each invoice submitted by the Consultant in accordance with clause 4.1 within 30 days of receipt.
- 4.3 The Client shall be entitled to deduct from the fees (and any other sums) due to the Consultant any sums that the Consultant may owe to the Client at any time.
- 4.4 Payment in full or in part of the fees claimed under clause 4 or any expenses claimed under clause 5 shall be without prejudice to any claims or rights of the Client against the Consultant in respect of the provision of the Services.

#### **5. Expenses**

- 5.1 The Client shall reimburse all reasonable expenses properly and necessarily incurred by the Consultant in the course of the Engagement, subject to production of receipts or other appropriate evidence of payment and with regard the Consultant's expense policy detailed in schedule 1.

#### **6. Other activities**

Nothing in this agreement shall prevent the Consultant from being engaged, concerned or having any financial interest in any Capacity in any other business, trade, profession or occupation during the Engagement provided that:

- (a) such activity does not cause a breach of any of the Consultant's obligations under this agreement;
- (b) the Consultant shall not engage in any such activity if it relates to a business which is similar to or in any way competitive with the Business of the Client without the prior written consent of the Client; and
- (c) the Consultant shall give priority to the provision of the Services to the Client over any other business activities undertaken by the Consultant during the course of the Engagement.

## 7. Confidential information

- 7.1 The Consultant acknowledges that in the course of the Engagement he will have access to Confidential Information. The Consultant has therefore agreed to accept the restrictions in this clause 7.
- 7.2 The Consultant shall not (except in the proper course of his duties), either during the Engagement or at any time after the Termination Date, use or disclose to any third party (and shall use his best endeavours to prevent the publication or disclosure of) any Confidential Information. This restriction does not apply to:
- (a) any use or disclosure authorised by the Client or required by law; or
  - (b) any information which is already in, or comes into, the public domain otherwise than through the Consultant's unauthorised disclosure.
- 7.3 At any stage during the Engagement, the Consultant will promptly on request return all and any Client Property in his possession to the Client.

## 8. Data protection

- 8.1 The Client will collect and process information relating to the Consultant in accordance with the privacy notice which is annexed to this Agreement.
- 8.2 The Consultant and the Client acknowledge that for the purposes of the Data Protection Legislation, the Client is the data controller and the Consultant is the data processor.
- 8.3 The Consultant and the Client will comply with the Data Protection Legislation.
- 8.4 Schedule [2] sets out the scope, nature and purpose of the processing by the Consultant, the duration of the processing and the types of personal data (as defined in the Data Protection Legislation (**Personal Data**)) and categories of data subject.
- 8.5 The Consultant shall, in relation to any Personal Data processed in connection with the Engagement:
- (a) Process that Personal Data only on written instructions of the Client.
  - (b) Keep the Personal Data confidential.
  - ~~(c) Comply with the Client's Data protection policy] [data retention guidelines] [LIST OTHER POLICIES].~~
  - (d) Comply with the Client's reasonable instructions with respect to processing Personal Data.

- (e) Not transfer any Personal Data outside of the European Economic Area without the Client's prior written consent.
- (f) Assist the Client, at the Client's cost, in responding to any data subject access request and to ensure compliance with its obligations under the Data Protection Legislation with respect to security, breach notifications, privacy impact assessments and consultations with supervisory authorities or regulators.
- (g) Notify the Client without undue delay on becoming aware of a Personal Data breach or communication which relates to the Client's or Consultant's compliance with the Data Protection Legislation.
- (h) At the written request of the Client, delete or return Personal Data and any copies thereof to the Client on termination of the Engagement unless required by the Data Protection Legislation to store the Personal Data.
- (i) Maintain complete and accurate records and information to demonstrate compliance with this clause (clause 8) and allow for audits by the Client or the Client's designated auditor.

8.6 The Consultant shall ensure that he has in place appropriate technical or organisational measures, reviewed and approved by the Client, to protect against unauthorised or unlawful processing of Personal Data and against accidental loss or destruction of, or damage to, Personal Data, appropriate to the harm that might result from the unauthorised or unlawful processing or accidental loss, destruction or damage and the nature of the data to be protected, having regard to the state of technological development and the cost of implementing any measures. Such measures may include, where appropriate:

- (a) pseudonymising and encrypting Personal Data.
- (b) ensuring confidentiality, integrity, availability and resilience of its systems and services
- (c) ensuring that availability of and access to Personal Data can be restored in a timely manner after an incident
- (d) regularly assessing and evaluating the effectiveness of the technical and organisational measures adopted by it.

8.7 The Client does not agree to the Consultant appointing any third-party processor of Personal Data under this agreement ~~OR The Client agrees that any Substitute appointed under clause 3.3 is a third-party processor of Personal Data under this agreement.~~ The Consultant confirms that it will enter into a written agreement, which incorporates terms which are substantially similar to those set out in this clause 8.7, with the Substitute. The

Consultant shall remain fully liable for all acts or omissions of any third-party processor appointed by it pursuant to this clause 8.7.

- 8.8 The Consultant shall have personal liability for and shall indemnify the Client for any loss, liability, costs (including legal costs), damages, or expenses resulting from any breach by the Consultant [or a Substitute engaged by the Consultant] of the Data Protection Legislation and shall maintain in force full and comprehensive Insurance Policies.

## **9. Intellectual property**

- 9.1 The Consultant hereby assigns to the Client all existing and future Intellectual Property Rights in the Works and the Inventions and all materials embodying these rights to the fullest extent permitted by law. Insofar as they do not vest automatically by operation of law or under this agreement, the Consultant holds legal title in these rights and inventions on trust for the Client.

- 9.2 The Consultant undertakes:

- (a) to notify to the Client in writing full details of any Inventions promptly on their creation;
- (b) to keep details of all Inventions confidential;
- (c) whenever requested to do so by the Client and in any event on the termination of the Engagement, promptly to deliver to the Client all correspondence, documents, papers and records on all media (and all copies or abstracts of them), recording or relating to any part of the Works and the process of their creation which are in his possession, custody or power;
- (d) not to register nor attempt to register any of the Intellectual Property Rights in the Works, nor any of the Inventions, unless requested to do so by the Client; and
- (e) to do all acts necessary to confirm that absolute title in all Intellectual Property Rights in the Works and the Inventions has passed, or will pass, to the Client.

- 9.3 The Consultant warrants to the Client that:

- (a) he has not given and will not give permission to any third party to use any of the Works or the Inventions, nor any of the Intellectual Property Rights in the Works;
- (b) he is unaware of any use by any third party of any of the Works or Intellectual Property Rights in the Works; and

- (c) the use of the Works or the Intellectual Property Rights in the Works by the Client will not infringe the rights of any third party.
- 9.4 The Consultant agrees to indemnify the Client and keep it indemnified at all times against all or any costs, claims, damages or expenses incurred by the Client, or for which the Client may become liable, with respect to any intellectual property infringement claim or other claim relating to the Works or Inventions supplied by the Consultant to the Client during the course of providing the Services. The Consultant shall maintain adequate liability insurance coverage and ensure that the Client's interest is noted on the policy, and shall supply a copy of the policy to the Client on request. The Client may at its option satisfy this indemnity (in whole or in part) by way of deduction from any payments due to the Consultant.
- 9.5 The Consultant waives any moral rights in the Works to which he is now or may at any future time be entitled under Chapter IV of the Copyright Designs and Patents Act 1988 or any similar provisions of law in any jurisdiction, including (but without limitation) the right to be identified, the right of integrity and the right against false attribution, and agrees not to institute, support, maintain or permit any action or claim to the effect that any treatment, exploitation or use of such Works or other materials infringes the Consultant's moral rights.
- 9.6 The Consultant acknowledges that, except as provided by law, no further fees or compensation other than those provided for in this agreement are due or may become due to the Consultant in respect of the performance of his obligations under this clause 9.
- 9.7 The Consultant undertakes, at the expense of the Client, at any time either during or after the Engagement, to execute all documents, make all applications, give all assistance and do all acts and things as may, in the opinion of the Client, be necessary or desirable to vest the Intellectual Property Rights in, and to register them in, the name of the Client and to defend the Client against claims that works embodying Intellectual Property Rights or Inventions infringe third party rights, and otherwise to protect and maintain the Intellectual Property Rights in the Works and the Inventions.
- 9.8 The Consultant irrevocably appoints the Client to be his attorney in his name and on his behalf to execute documents, use the Consultant's name and do all things which are necessary or desirable for the Client to obtain for itself or its nominee the full benefit of this clause.

## **10. Insurance and liability**

- 10.1 The Consultant shall have personal liability for and shall indemnify the Client for any loss, liability, costs (including reasonable legal costs), damages or expenses arising from any breach by the Consultant or a Substitute engaged by the Consultant of the terms of this agreement including any negligent or reckless act, omission or default in] the provision of the Services and shall accordingly maintain in force during the Engagement full and comprehensive Insurance Policies.
- 10.2 The Consultant shall ensure that the Insurance Policies are taken out with reputable insurers acceptable to the Client and that the level of cover and other terms of insurance are acceptable to and agreed by the Client.
- 10.3 The Consultant shall on request supply to the Client copies of such Insurance Policies and evidence that the relevant premiums have been paid.
- 10.4 The Consultant shall notify the insurers of the Client's interest and shall cause the interest to be noted on the Insurance Policies [together with a provision to the effect that, if any claim is brought or made by the Client against the Consultant in respect of which the Consultant would be entitled to receive indemnity under any of the Insurance Policies, the relevant insurer will indemnify the Client directly against such claim and any charges, costs and expenses in respect of such claim. If the relevant insurer does not so indemnify the Client, the Consultant shall use all insurance monies received by him to indemnify the Client in respect of any claim and shall make good any deficiency from his own resources]
- 10.5 The Consultant shall comply with all terms and conditions of the Insurance Policies at all times. If cover under the Insurance Policies shall lapse or not be renewed or be changed in any material way or if the Consultant is aware of any reason why the cover under the Insurance Policies may lapse or not be renewed or be changed in any material way, the Consultant shall notify the Client without delay.

## **11. Termination**

- 11.1 Notwithstanding the provisions of clause 2.2, the Client may terminate the Engagement with immediate effect with no liability to make any further payment to the Consultant (other than in respect of amounts accrued before the Termination Date) if at any time the Consultant:
  - (a) commits any gross misconduct affecting the Business of the Client;

- (b) commits any serious or repeated breach or non-observance of any of the provisions of this agreement or refuses or neglects to comply with any reasonable and lawful directions of the Client;
- (c) is convicted of any criminal offence (other than an offence under any road traffic legislation in the United Kingdom or elsewhere for which a fine or non-custodial penalty is imposed);
- (d) is in the reasonable opinion of the Board negligent or incompetent in the performance of the Services;
- (e) is declared bankrupt or makes any arrangement with or for the benefit of his creditors or has a county court administration order made against him under the County Court Act 1984;
- (f) dies or is incapacitated (including by reason of illness or accident) from providing the Services for an aggregate period of [NUMBER] days in any [52-week] consecutive period;
- (g) commits any fraud or dishonesty or acts in any manner which in the opinion of the Client brings or is likely to bring the Consultant or the Client into disrepute or is materially adverse to the interests of the Client;
- (h) commits any breach of the Client's policies and procedures;
- (i) commits any offence under the Bribery Act 2010; or
- (j) commits a UK tax evasion facilitation offence under section 45(1) of the Criminal Finances Act 2017 or a foreign tax evasion facilitation offence under section 46(1) of the Criminal Finances Act 2017.

11.2 The rights of the Client under clause 11.1 are without prejudice to any other rights that it might have at law to terminate the Engagement or to accept any breach of this agreement on the part of the Consultant as having brought the agreement to an end. Any delay by the Client in exercising its rights to terminate shall not constitute a waiver of these rights.

## **12. Obligations on termination**

On the Termination Date the Consultant shall:

- (a) immediately deliver to the Client all Client Property and original Confidential Information in his possession or under his control;
- (b) subject to the Client's data retention guidelines, irretrievably delete any information relating to the Business of the Client stored on any magnetic or optical disk or memory and all matter derived from such sources which is in his

possession or under his control outside the premises of the Client. This obligation includes requiring any Substitute to delete such data where applicable. For the avoidance of doubt, the contact details of business contacts made during the Engagement are regarded as Confidential Information, and as such, must be deleted from personal social or professional networking accounts; and

- (c) provide a signed statement that he has complied fully with his obligations under this clause 12, together with such evidence of compliance as the Client may reasonably request.

### **13. Status**

13.1 The relationship of the Consultant to the Client will be that of independent contractor and nothing in this agreement shall render him an employee, worker, agent or partner of the Client and the Consultant shall not hold himself out as such.

13.2 This agreement constitutes a contract for the provision of services and not a contract of employment and accordingly the Consultant shall be fully responsible for and shall indemnify the Client for and in respect of:

- (a) any income tax, National Insurance and social security contributions and any other liability, deduction, contribution, assessment or claim arising from or made in connection with the performance of the Services, where the recovery is not prohibited by law. The Consultant shall further indemnify the Client against all reasonable costs, expenses and any penalty, fine or interest incurred or payable by the Client in connection with or in consequence of any such liability, deduction, contribution, assessment or claim other than where the latter arise out of the Client's negligence or wilful default; and
- (b) any liability arising from any employment-related claim or any claim based on worker status (including reasonable costs and expenses) brought by the Consultant or any Substitute against the Client arising out of or in connection with the provision of the Services, except where such claim is as a result of any act or omission of the Client.

13.3 The Client may at its option satisfy such indemnity (in whole or in part) by way of deduction from any payments due to the Consultant.

### **14. Notices**

14.1 Any notice or other communication given to a party under or in connection with this agreement shall be in writing and shall be:

- (a) delivered by hand or by pre-paid first-class post or other next working day delivery service at the address given in this agreement or as otherwise notified in writing to the other party; or
  - (b) sent by email to its main email number.
- 14.2 Unless proven otherwise, any notice or communication shall be deemed to have been received:
  - (a) if delivered by hand, at the time the notice is left at the address given in this agreement or given to the addressee and
  - (b) if sent by pre-paid first-class post or other next working day delivery service, at 9.00 am on the second Business Day after posting or at the time recorded by the delivery service; and
  - (c) if sent by email, at the time of transmission.
- 14.3 If deemed receipt under clause 14.2 would occur outside business hours in the place of receipt, it shall be deferred until business hours resume. In this clause 14.3, business hours means 9.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday on a day that is not a public holiday in the place of receipt.
- 14.4 This clause does not apply to the service of any proceedings or other documents in any legal action or, where applicable, any other method of dispute resolution.
- 14.5 A notice given under this agreement is not valid if sent by email.
- 15. Entire agreement**
- 15.1 This agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes and extinguishes all previous agreements, promises, assurances, warranties, representations and understandings between them, whether written or oral, relating to its subject matter.
- 15.2 Each party acknowledges that in entering into this agreement it does not rely on, and shall have no remedies in respect of, any statement, representation, assurance or warranty (whether made innocently or negligently) that is not set out in this agreement.
- 15.3 Each party agrees that it shall have no claim for innocent or negligent misrepresentation or negligent misstatement based on any statement in this agreement.

## **16. Variation**

No variation of this agreement or of any of the documents referred to in it shall be effective unless it is in writing and signed by the parties (or their authorised representatives).

## **17. Counterparts**

This agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which, when executed and delivered, shall constitute a duplicate original, but all the counterparts shall together constitute the one agreement.

## **18. Third party rights**

18.1 Except as expressly provided elsewhere in this agreement, a person who is not a party to this agreement shall not have any rights under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this agreement.

18.2 The rights of the parties to terminate, rescind or agree any variation, waiver or settlement under this agreement are not subject to the consent of any other person.

## **19. Governing law**

This agreement and any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with it or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims) shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of England and Wales.

## **20. Jurisdiction**

Each party irrevocably agrees that the courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with this agreement or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims).

This document has been executed as a deed and is delivered and takes effect on the date stated at the beginning of it.

## **Schedule 1 Services**

[INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING MATTERS:

- DETAILS OF THE WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT
- THE LOCATION(S) WHERE THE SERVICES ARE TO BE PERFORMED
- REPORTING PROCEDURE
- ANY MILESTONES FOR COMPLETION OF PARTICULAR PROJECTS]

**Schedule 2 Processing, Personal data and Data subjects**

Executed as a deed by  
[NAME OF CLIENT]

acting by [NAME  
OF FIRST DIRECTOR], a  
director and [NAME OF  
SECOND  
DIRECTOR/SECRETARY], [a  
director OR its secretary]

.....  
[SIGNATURE OF FIRST  
DIRECTOR]

Director

.....  
[SIGNATURE OF SECOND  
DIRECTOR OR  
SECRETARY]

[Director OR Secretary]

OR

Executed as a deed by  
[NAME OF CLIENT]

acting by [NAME  
OF DIRECTOR] a director, in  
the presence of:

.....  
[SIGNATURE OF  
DIRECTOR]

Director

.....  
[SIGNATURE OF WITNESS]  
[NAME, ADDRESS [AND  
OCCUPATION] OF  
WITNESS]

Signed as a deed by [NAME  
OF CONSULTANT] in the  
presence of:

.....  
[SIGNATURE OF Consultant]

.....  
[SIGNATURE OF WITNESS]  
[NAME, ADDRESS [AND  
OCCUPATION] OF  
WITNESS]