

Financial Indicator	Specific Methodology
	<p><u>Net Debt</u>: The elements of Net Debt may be described slightly differently and should be found either on the face of the Balance Sheet or in the relevant note to the financial statements. All interest bearing liabilities (other than retirement benefit obligations) should be included as borrowings as should, where disclosed, any liabilities (less any assets) in respect of any hedges designated as linked to borrowings (but not non-designated hedges). Borrowings should also include balances owed to other group members.</p> <p>Deferred consideration payable should be included in Net Debt despite typically being non-interest bearing.</p> <p>Cash and cash equivalents should include short-term financial investments shown in current assets.</p> <p>Where Net debt is negative (i.e. an entity has net cash), the relevant Financial Target Threshold should be treated as having been met.</p> <p><u>EBITDA</u>: Operating profit should be shown on the face of the Income Statement and, for the purposes of calculating this Financial Indicator, should include the entity's share of the results of any joint ventures or Associates. <i>The depreciation and amortisation charges for the period may be found on the face of the Statement of Cash Flows or in a Note to the Accounts. Where EBITDA is negative, the relevant Financial Target Threshold should be treated as not having been met (unless Net Debt is also negative, in which case the relevant Financial Target Threshold should be treated as having been met).</i></p>
3 Acid Ratio	All elements that are used to calculate the Acid Ratio are available on the face of the Balance Sheet in a standard set of financial statements.

ANNEX 2: BOARD CONFIRMATION

Supplier Name:

Contract Reference Number:

The Board of Directors acknowledge the requirements set out at paragraph 8 of Schedule 18 (Financial Distress) and confirm that the Supplier has exercised due care and diligence and made reasonable enquiry of all relevant Supplier Personnel and other persons as is reasonably necessary to enable the Board to prepare this statement.

The Board of Directors confirms, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that as at the date of this Board Confirmation it is not aware of and has no knowledge:

- (a) that a Financial Distress Event has occurred since the later of the previous Board Confirmation and the Effective Date or is subsisting; or
- (b) of any matters which have occurred or are subsisting that could reasonably be expected to cause a Financial Distress Event

On behalf of the Board of Directors:

Chair

Signed

Date

Director

Signed

Date

SCHEDULE 19

FINANCIAL REPORTS AND AUDIT RIGHTS

Schedule 19 (*Financial Reports and Audit Rights*)

1 DEFINITIONS

1.1 In this Schedule, the following definitions shall apply:

“Annual Contract Report”	the annual contract report to be provided by the Supplier to the Authority pursuant to Paragraph 1 of Part B;
“Audit Agents”	(a) the Authority’s internal and external auditors; (b) the Authority’s statutory or regulatory auditors; (c) the Comptroller and Auditor General, their staff and/or any appointed representatives of the National Audit Office; (d) HM Treasury or the Cabinet Office; (e) any party formally appointed by the Authority to carry out audit or similar review functions; and (f) successors or assigns of any of the above;
“Contract Amendment Report”	the contract amendment report to be provided by the Supplier to the Authority pursuant to Paragraph 1 of Part B;
“Final Reconciliation Report”	the final reconciliation report to be provided by the Supplier to the Authority pursuant to Paragraph 1 of Part B;
“Financial Reports”	the reports listed in the table in Paragraph 1.1 of Part B;
“Financial Representative”	a reasonably skilled and experienced member of the Supplier’s staff who has specific responsibility for preparing, maintaining, facilitating access to, discussing and explaining the Open Book Data and Financial Reports;
“Financial Transparency Objectives”	has the meaning given in Paragraph 1 of Part A;
“Material Change”	a Change which: (a) materially changes the profile of the Charges; or

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">(c) varies the total Charges payable during the Term (as forecast in the latest Financial Model) by:<ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) 5% or more; or(ii) £1m or more
“Monthly Contract Report”	<p>a report setting out:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) the Charges for the provision of the Services during the Service Period in accordance with Schedule 15 (Charges and Invoicing);(b) Management accounts for the Supplier for the previous Service Period; and(c) such other financial information that the Authority shall reasonably require in relation to the provision of the Services during the Service Period;
“Onerous Contract”	<p>a contract in which the unavoidable costs of meeting the obligations under the contract exceed the economic benefits expected to be received under it, as defined under International Accounting Standard 37;</p>
“Onerous Contract Report”	<p>means a report provided by the Supplier pursuant to Paragraph 3 of Part A to this Schedule;</p>
“Open Book Data”	<p>complete and accurate financial and non-financial information which is sufficient to enable the Authority to verify the Charges already paid or payable and Charges forecast to be paid during the remainder of the Term, including details and all assumptions relating to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) the Supplier’s costs broken down against each Service and/or Deliverable, including actual capital expenditure (including capital replacement costs) and the unit cost and total actual costs of all hardware and software;(b) operating expenditure relating to the provision of the Services including an analysis showing:<ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) the unit costs and quantity of consumables and bought-in services;(ii) manpower resources broken down into the number and grade/role of all Supplier

Personnel (free of any contingency) together with a list of agreed rates against each manpower grade;

and

(iii) Reimbursable Expenses;

(c) Overheads;

(d) all interest, expenses and any other third party financing costs incurred in relation to the provision of the Services;

(e) confirmation that all methods of Cost apportionment and Overhead allocation are consistent with and not more onerous than such methods applied generally by the Supplier;

(f) an explanation of the type and value of risk and contingencies associated with the provision of the Services, including the amount of money attributed to each risk and/or contingency; and

(g) the actual cCost profile for each Service Period.

PART A: FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY OBJECTIVES AND OPEN BOOK DATA

1 FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY OBJECTIVES

- 1.1 The Supplier acknowledges that the provisions of this Schedule are designed (inter alia) to facilitate, and the Supplier shall co-operate with the Authority in order to achieve, the following objectives:

(a) Understanding the Charges

- (i) for the Authority to understand any payment sought from it by the Supplier including time spent by Supplier Personnel in providing the Services

(b) Agreeing the impact of Change

- (i) for both Parties to agree the quantitative impact of any Changes that affect ongoing costs and to identify how these could be mitigated and/or reflected in the Charges;
- (ii) for both Parties to be able to review, address issues with and re-forecast progress in relation to the provision of the Services;

(c) Continuous improvement

- (i) for the Parties to challenge each other with ideas for efficiency and improvements; and
- (ii) to enable the Authority to demonstrate that it is achieving value for money for the tax payer relative to current market prices,

(together the “**Financial Transparency Objectives**”).

2 OPEN BOOK DATA

- 2.1 The Supplier acknowledges the importance to the Authority of the Financial Transparency Objectives and the Authority’s need for complete transparency in the way in which the Charges are calculated.
- 2.2 During the Term, and for a period of 7 years following the end of the Term, the Supplier shall:
- (a) maintain and retain the Open Book Data; and
- (b) disclose and allow the Authority and/or the Audit Agents access to the Open Book Data.

3 ONEROUS CONTRACTS

- 3.1 If the Supplier publicly designates the Contract as an Onerous Contract (including where the Supplier has identified the Contract as such in any published accounts or public reports and announcements), the Supplier shall promptly notify the Authority of the designation and shall prepare and deliver to the Authority within the timescales agreed by the Parties (an in any event, no

later than 2 months following the publication of the designation) a draft Onerous Contract Report which includes the following:

- (a) An initial root cause analysis of the issues and circumstances which may have contributed to the Contract being designated as an Onerous Contract;
 - (b) An initial risk analysis and impact assessment on the provision of the Services as a result of the Supplier's designation of the Contract as an Onerous Contract;
 - (c) the measures which the Supplier intends to put in place to minimise and mitigate any adverse impact on the provision on the Services;
 - (d) details of any other options which could be put in place to remove the designation of the Contract as an Onerous Contract and/or which could minimise and mitigate any adverse impact on the provision of the Services.
- 3.2 Following receipt of the Onerous Contract Report, the Authority shall review and comment on the report as soon as reasonably practicable and the Parties shall cooperate in good faith to agree the final form of the report, which shall be submitted to the NCCE Programme and Performance Board, such final form report to be agreed no later than 1 month following the Authority's receipt of the draft Onerous Contract Report.
- 3.3 The NCCE Programme and Performance Board shall meet within 14 Working Days of the final Onerous Contract Report being agreed by the Parties to discuss the contents of the report; and the Parties shall procure the attendance at the meeting of any key participants where reasonably required (including the Cabinet Office Markets and Suppliers team where the Supplier is a Strategic Supplier; representatives from any Key Sub-contractors/Monitored Suppliers; and the project's senior responsible officers (or equivalent) for each Party).
- 3.4 The Supplier acknowledges and agrees that the report is submitted to the Authority and NCCE Programme and Performance Board on an information only basis and the Authority and NCCE Programme and Performance Board's receipt of and comments in relation to the report shall not be deemed to be an acceptance or rejection of the report nor shall it relieve the Supplier of any liability under this Contract. Any Changes to be agreed by the Parties pursuant to the report shall be subject to the Change Control Procedure.

PART B: FINANCIAL REPORTS**1 PROVISION OF THE FINANCIAL REPORTS**

- 1.1 The Supplier shall provide the following financial reports to the Authority during the Term in the frequency specified below:

Financial Report	When to be provided
Contract Amendment Report	Within 1 month of a Material Change being agreed between the Supplier and the Authority
Monthly Contract Report	Within 12 Working Days of the end of each Service Period
Annual Contract Report	Within 1 month of the end of the Contract Year to which that report relates
Final Reconciliation Report	Within 3 months after the end of the Term

- 1.2 The Supplier shall provide to the Authority the Financial Reports in the same software package (Microsoft Excel or Microsoft Word), layout and format as agreed with the Authority to the Supplier on or before the Effective Date for the purposes of this Contract. The Authority shall be entitled to modify the template for any Financial Report by giving written notice to the Supplier, including a copy of the updated template.
- 1.3 A copy of each Financial Report shall be held by both the Authority and the Supplier. If there is a Dispute regarding a Financial Report, the Authority's copy of the relevant Financial Report shall be authoritative.
- 1.4 Each Financial Report shall:
- (a) be completed by the Supplier using reasonable skill and care;
 - (b) incorporate and use the same defined terms as are used in this Contract;
 - (c) quote all monetary values in pounds sterling; and
 - (d) quote all Charges as exclusive of any VAT.
- 1.5 Each Annual Contract Report and the Final Reconciliation Report shall be certified by the Supplier's Chief Financial Officer or Director of Finance (or equivalent as agreed in writing by the Authority in advance of issue of the relevant Financial Report), acting with express authority, as:
- (a) being accurate and not misleading;

- (b) having been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles within the United Kingdom;
- (c) being a true and fair reflection of the information included within the Supplier's management and statutory accounts; and
- (d) compliant with the requirements of Paragraph 1.6.

1.6 The Supplier shall:

- (a) to the extent permitted by Law, ensure that each Annual Contract Report and each Contract Amendment Report (if any) is a true and fair reflection of the Charges;
- (b) to the extent permitted by Law, ensure that the Final Reconciliation Report is a true and fair reflection of the Charges; and
- (c) not have any other internal financial model in relation to the Services inconsistent with Schedule 15 (Charges and Invoicing).

1.7 During the Term, and for a period of 18 months following the end of the Term, the Supplier shall make available the Financial Representative at reasonable times and on reasonable notice to answer any queries that the Authority may have on any of the Financial Reports and/or Open Book Data.

1.8 If the Supplier becomes aware of the occurrence, or the likelihood of the future occurrence, of an event which will or may have a material effect on the following:

- (a) the costs incurred (or those forecast to be incurred) by the Supplier; and/or
- (b) the forecast Charges for the remainder of the Term,

the Supplier shall, as soon as practicable, notify the Authority in writing of the event in question detailing the actual or anticipated effect. For the avoidance of doubt, notifications provided in accordance with this Paragraph 1.8 shall not have the effect of amending any provisions of this Contract.

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3 DISCUSSION OF MONTHLY CONTRACT REPORTS AND FINAL RECONCILIATION REPORT

3.1 Following the delivery by the Supplier of each Monthly Contract Report, the Parties shall meet to discuss its contents within 10 Working Days of receipt (or such other period as the Parties shall agree). The Financial Representative shall attend the meeting.

3.2 Following the delivery by the Supplier of the Final Reconciliation Report, the Parties shall meet to discuss its contents within 10 Working Days of receipt (or such other period as the Parties shall agree). The Financial Representative shall attend the meeting.

4 KEY SUB CONTRACTORS

- 4.1 The Supplier shall, if requested by the Authority, provide (or procure the provision of) a report or reports including the level of information set out in the Financial Reports in relation to the costs and expenses to be incurred by any of its Key Sub-contractors.
- 4.2 Without prejudice to Paragraph 1.1 of Part C, the Supplier shall:
- (a) be responsible for auditing the financial models/reports of its Key Sub-contractors and for any associated costs and expenses incurred or forecast to be incurred; and
 - (b) on written request by the Authority, provide the Authority or procure that the Authority is provided with:
 - (i) full copies of audit reports for the Key Sub-contractors. The Authority shall be entitled to rely on such audit reports; and
 - (ii) further explanation of, and supporting information in relation to, any audit reports provided.

PART C: AUDIT RIGHTS

1 AUDIT RIGHTS

- 1.1 The Authority, acting by itself or through its Audit Agents, shall have the right during the Term and for a period of 18 months thereafter, to assess compliance by the Supplier and/or its Key Sub-contractors of the Supplier's obligations under this Contract, including for the following purposes:
- (a) to verify the integrity and content of any Financial Report;
 - (b) to verify the accuracy of the Charges and any other amounts payable by the Authority under this Contract (and proposed or actual variations to such Charges and payments);
 - (c) to verify the costs incurred by the Supplier (including the amounts paid to all Sub-contractors and any third party suppliers);
 - (d) to verify the Open Book Data;
 - (e) to verify the Supplier's and each Key Sub-contractor's compliance with this Contract and applicable Law;
 - (f) to identify or investigate actual or suspected fraud, impropriety or accounting mistakes or any breach or threatened breach of security and in these circumstances the Authority shall have no obligation to inform the Supplier of the purpose or objective of its investigations;
 - (g) to identify or investigate any circumstances which may impact upon the financial stability of the Supplier, the Guarantor and/or any Key Sub-contractors or their ability to perform the Services;
 - (h) to obtain such information as is necessary to fulfil the Authority's obligations to supply information for parliamentary, ministerial, judicial or administrative purposes including the supply of information to the Comptroller and Auditor General;
 - (i) to review any books of account and the internal contract management accounts kept by the Supplier in connection with this Contract;
 - (j) to carry out the Authority's internal and statutory audits and to prepare, examine and/or certify the Authority's annual and interim reports and accounts;
 - (k) to enable the National Audit Office to carry out an examination pursuant to Section 6(1) of the National Audit Act 1983 of the economy, efficiency and effectiveness with which the Authority has used its resources;
 - (l) to verify the accuracy and completeness of any Management Information delivered or required by this Contract;
 - (m) to review any Performance Monitoring Reports and/or other records relating to the Supplier's performance of the Services and to verify that these reflect the Supplier's own internal reports and records;

- (n) to inspect the IT Environment (or any part of it) and the wider service delivery environment (or any part of it);
 - (o) to review the accuracy and completeness of the Registers;
 - (p) to review any records created during the design and development of the Supplier System and pre-operational environment such as information relating to Testing;
 - (q) to review the Supplier's quality management systems (including all relevant Quality Plans and any quality manuals and procedures);
 - (r) to review the Supplier's compliance with the Standards;
 - (s) to inspect the Authority Assets, including the Authority's IPRs, equipment and facilities, for the purposes of ensuring that the Authority Assets are secure and that any register of assets is up to date; and/or
 - (t) to review the integrity, confidentiality and security of the Authority Data.
- 1.2 Except where an audit is imposed on the Authority by a regulatory body or where the Authority has reasonable grounds for believing that the Supplier has not complied with its obligations under this Contract, the Authority may not conduct an audit of the Supplier or of the same Key Sub-contractor more than twice in any Contract Year.
- 1.3 Nothing in this Contract shall prevent or restrict the rights of the Comptroller and/or Auditor General and/or their representatives from carrying out an audit, examination or investigation of the Supplier and/or any of the Key Sub-contractors for the purposes of and pursuant to applicable Law.

2 CONDUCT OF AUDITS

- 2.1 The Authority shall during each audit comply with those security, sites, systems and facilities operating procedures of the Supplier that the Authority deems reasonable and use its reasonable endeavours to ensure that the conduct of each audit does not unreasonably disrupt the Supplier or delay the provision of the Services.
- 2.2 Subject to the Authority's obligations of confidentiality, the Supplier shall on demand provide the Authority and the Audit Agents with all reasonable co-operation and assistance (and shall procure such co-operation and assistance from its Sub-contractors) in relation to each audit, including:
- (a) all information requested by the Authority within the permitted scope of the audit;
 - (b) reasonable access to any Sites and to any equipment used (whether exclusively or non-exclusively) in the performance of the Services;
 - (c) access to the Supplier System; and
 - (d) access to Supplier Personnel.

- 2.3 The Supplier shall implement all measurement and monitoring tools and procedures necessary to measure and report on the Supplier's performance of the Services against the applicable Performance Indicators at a level of detail sufficient to verify compliance with the Performance Indicators.
- 2.4 The Authority shall endeavour to (but is not obliged to) provide at least 15 Working Days' notice of its intention to conduct an audit.
- 2.5 The Parties agree that they shall bear their own respective costs and expenses incurred in respect of compliance with their obligations under this Paragraph 2, unless the audit identifies a material Default by the Supplier in which case the Supplier shall reimburse the Authority for all the Authority's reasonable costs incurred in connection with the audit.

3 USE OF SUPPLIER'S INTERNAL AUDIT TEAM

- 3.1 As an alternative to the Authority's right pursuant to Paragraph 1.1 to exercise an audit either itself or through its Audit Agents, the Authority may require in writing that an audit is undertaken by the Supplier's own internal audit function for any of the purposes set out in Paragraph 1.1.
- 3.2 Following the receipt of a request from the Authority under Paragraph 3.1 above, the Supplier shall procure that the relevant audit is undertaken as soon as reasonably practicable and that the Authority has unfettered access to:
 - (a) the resultant audit reports; and
 - (b) all relevant members of the Supplier's internal audit team for the purpose of understanding such audit reports.

4 RESPONSE TO AUDITS

- 4.1 If an audit undertaken pursuant to Paragraphs 1 or 3 identifies that:
 - (a) the Supplier has committed a Default, the Authority may (without prejudice to any rights and remedies the Authority may have) require the Supplier to correct such Default as soon as reasonably practicable and, if such Default constitutes a Notifiable Default, to comply with the Rectification Plan Process;
 - (b) there is an error in a Financial Report, the Supplier shall promptly rectify the error;
 - (c) the Authority has overpaid any Charges, the Supplier shall pay to the Authority:
 - (i) the amount overpaid;
 - (ii) interest on the amount overpaid at the applicable rate under the Late Payment of Commercial Debts (Interest) Act 1998, accruing on a daily basis from the date of overpayment by the Authority up to the date of repayment by the Supplier; and

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(iii) the reasonable costs incurred by the Authority in undertaking the audit,

the Authority may exercise its right to deduct such amount from the Charges if it prefers; and

(d) the Authority has underpaid any Charges, the Supplier shall not be entitled to increase the Charges paid or payable by the Authority.

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GOVERNANCE

Schedule 21 (*Governance*)

1 DEFINITIONS

1.1 In this Schedule, the following definitions shall apply:

“Board Member”	the initial persons appointed by the Authority and Supplier to the Boards as set out in Annex 1 and any replacements from time to time agreed by the Parties in accordance with Paragraph 3.3;
“Boards”	the NCCE Contract Management Committee, Programme & Performance Board, NCCE Steering Group, Advisory Committee, Academic Board and “Board” shall mean any of them;
“Project Manager”	the individuals appointed as such by the Authority and the Supplier in accordance with Paragraph 2;

2 MANAGEMENT OF THE SERVICES

- 2.1 The Supplier and the Authority shall each appoint a Project Manager for the purposes of this Contract through whom the Services shall be managed on a day-to-day basis.
- 2.2 Both Parties shall ensure that appropriate resource is made available on a regular basis such that the aims, objectives and specific provisions of this Contract can be fully realised.
- 2.3 The Parties shall ensure that they comply with the governance model and terms of reference as set out in Annex 2 of this Schedule.

3 BOARDS

Establishment and structure of the Boards

- 3.1 The Boards shall be established by the Parties for the purposes of this Contract on which both the Supplier and the Authority shall be represented.
- 3.2 In relation to each Board, the:
- (a) Authority Board Members;
 - (b) Supplier Board Members.;
 - (c) frequency that the Board shall meet (unless otherwise agreed between the Parties).;
 - (d) location of the Board's meetings; and
 - (e) planned start date by which the Board shall be established,
- shall be as set out in Annex 1.

- 3.3 In the event that either Party wishes to replace any of its appointed Board Members, that Party shall notify the other in writing of the proposed change for agreement by the other Party (such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed). Notwithstanding the foregoing it is intended that each Authority Board Member has at all times a counterpart Supplier Board Member of equivalent seniority and expertise.

Board meetings

- 3.4 Each Party shall ensure that its Board Members shall make all reasonable efforts to attend Board meetings at which that Board Member's attendance is required. If any Board Member is not able to attend a Board meeting, that person shall use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that:
- (a) a delegate attends the relevant Board meeting in his/her place who (wherever possible) is properly briefed and prepared; and
 - (b) that he/she is debriefed by such delegate after the Board Meeting.
- 3.5 A chairperson shall be appointed by the Supplier with the approval of the Authority (such approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) for each Board. The chairperson shall be responsible for:
- (a) scheduling Board meetings.
 - (b) setting the agenda for Board meetings and circulating to all attendees in advance of such meeting.
 - (c) chairing the Board meetings.
 - (d) monitoring the progress of any follow up tasks and activities agreed to be carried out following Board meetings.
 - (e) ensuring that minutes for Board meetings are recorded and disseminated electronically to the appropriate persons and to all Board meeting participants within seven Working Days after the Board meeting; and
 - (f) facilitating the process or procedure by which any decision agreed at any Board meeting is given effect in the appropriate manner.
- 3.6 NCCE Steering Group and Contract Management meetings shall be quorate as long as at least two representatives from each Party are present.
- 3.7 The Parties shall ensure, as far as reasonably practicable, that all Boards shall, as soon as reasonably practicably, resolve the issues and achieve the objectives placed before them. Each Party shall endeavour to ensure that Board Members are empowered to make relevant decisions or have access to empowered individuals for decisions to be made to achieve this.

4 CONTRACT MANAGEMENT MECHANISMS

- 4.1 Both Parties shall pro-actively manage risks attributed to them under the terms of this Contract.

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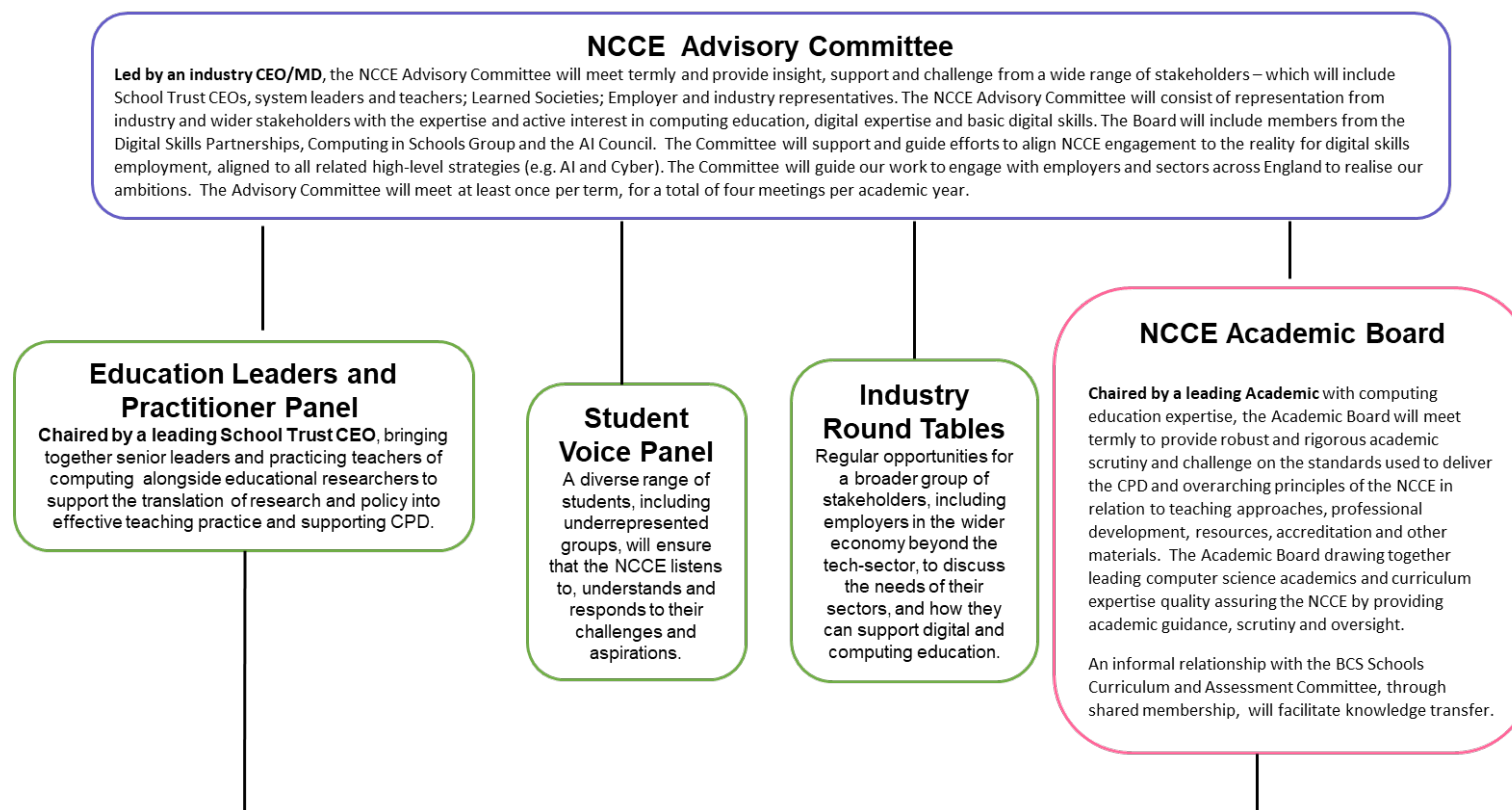
- 4.2 The Supplier shall develop, operate, maintain and amend, as agreed with the Authority, processes for:
- (a) the identification and management of risks.
 - (b) the identification and management of issues; and
 - (c) monitoring and controlling project plans.
- 4.3 The Risk Register shall be updated by the Supplier and submitted for review by the NCCE Contract Management Committee and the NCCE Steering Group.

5. ANNUAL REVIEW

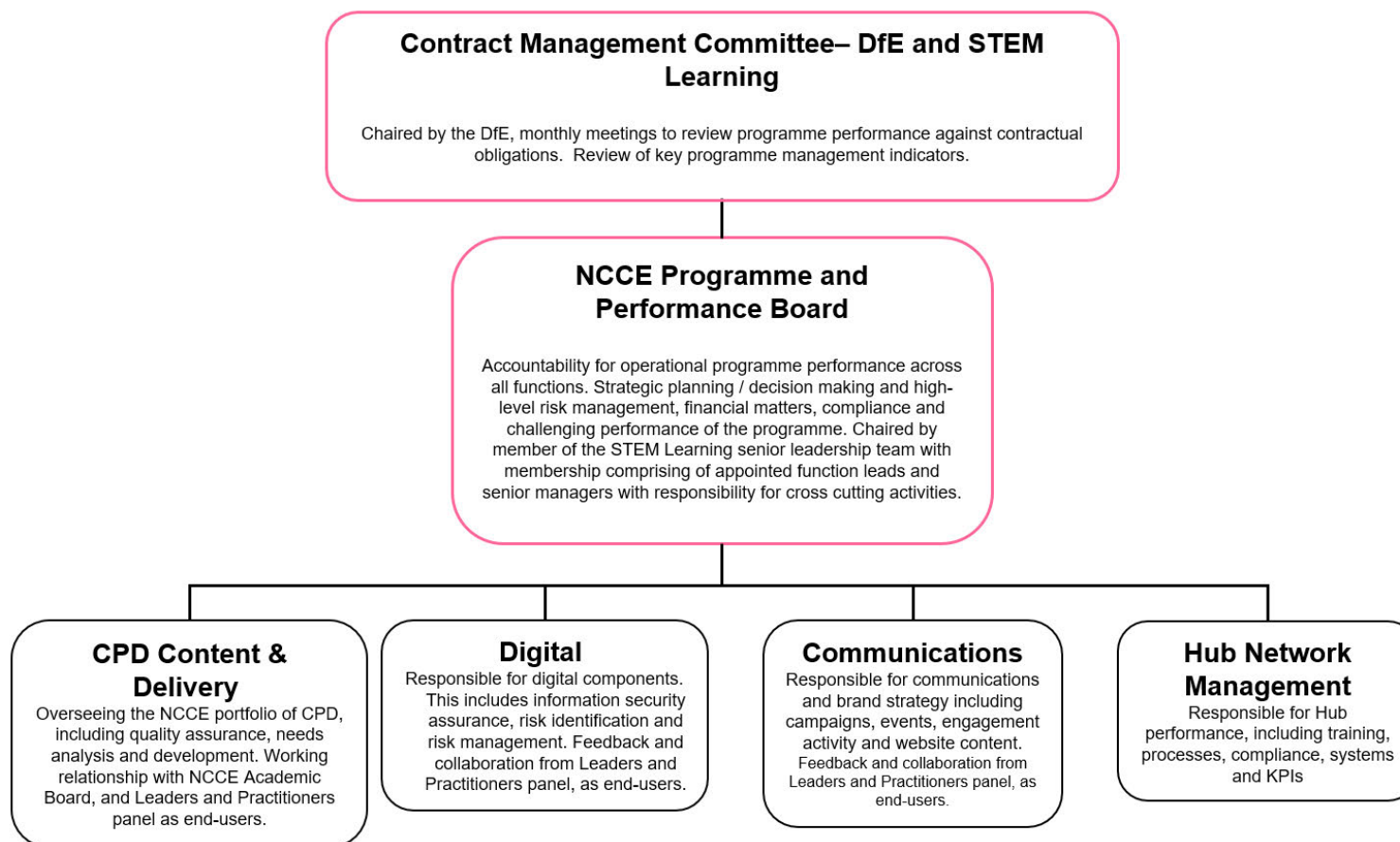
- 5.1 An annual review meeting shall be held annually throughout the Term within one month of the 1st September, and the exact date is to be agreed between the Parties.
- 5.2 The annual review meetings shall be attended by the **Director of Education & Programmes**, and **Chief Operating Officer** of the Supplier and the Senior Responsible Officer of the Authority and any other persons considered by the Authority necessary for the review.

ANNEX 1: REPRESENTATION AND STRUCTURE

NCCE2 External facing governance




NCCE2 Governance to support the operational management of the programme










NCCE Contract Management Committee

Authority members of NCCE Contract Management Committee	[REDACTED]
Supplier members of NCCE Contract Management Committee	[REDACTED]
Start date for NCCE Contract Management Committee meetings	April 2023
Frequency of NCCE Contract Management Committee meetings	Monthly
Location of NCCE Contract Management Committee meetings	Via video conference, or in person as required (subject to advance notice from the Chairperson).

NCCE Programme and Performance Board

Supplier Members of NCCE Programme and Performance Board	 NCCE Programme Manager Chair of Hub Network and Management Group Chair of Communications Group Chair of Digital Group Chair of CPD Content & Delivery Group Stakeholder Relationship Manager – Industry Stakeholder Relationship Manager – Partnerships and Government Relations
Start Date for NCCE Programme and Performance Board	April 2023
Frequency of NCCE Programme and Performance Board	Monthly
Location of NCCE Programme and Performance Board	Via video conference, or in person as required (subject to advance notice from the Chairperson).

NCCE Steering Group

Authority members of NCCE Steering Group	  
Supplier members of NCCE Steering Group	   

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Other external members for NCCE Steering Group	To be confirmed by the Authority during the Implementation Period
Start date for NCCE Steering Group meetings	Mid-May 2023
Frequency of NCCE Steering Group meetings	Termly or 8-weekly cycle.
Location of NCCE Steering Group meetings	Via video conference, or in person as required (subject to advance notice from the Chairperson).

NCCE Advisory Committee

Authority Members for NCCE Advisory Committee (invited)	To be confirmed by the Authority during the Implementation Period
Supplier Members for NCCE Advisory Committee	Stakeholder Relationship Manager – Industry Stakeholder Relationship Manager – Partnerships and Government Relations Education Strategy Lead NCCE Programme Manager Director of Education and Programmes
Other Members for NCCE Advisory Committee	Industry CEO/MD [Chairperson] Other industry/employer representatives and stakeholders TBC
Start Date for NCCE Advisory Committee meetings	Mid-May 2023
Frequency of NCCE Advisory Committee meetings	Termly with the caveat that ad hoc meetings may need to happen
Location of NCCE Advisory Committee meetings	Via video conference

Academic Board

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Authority Members for Academic Board (invited)	To be confirmed by the Authority during the Implementation Period
Supplier Members for Academic Board	Education Strategy Lead Director of Education and Programmes
Other Members for Academic Board	To be confirmed by the Authority during the Implementation Period
Start Date for Academic Board	Mid-May 2023
Frequency of Academic Board	Bi-annually (TBC)
Location of Academic Board	Via video conference with one face to face meeting per year

ANNEX 2: GOVERNANCE AND ADVISORY MODELS AND TERMS OF REFERENCE

NCCE2 Governance Model

Purpose and context of the governance model

The over-riding purpose of the governance model for NCCE2 is to provide the Authority with assurance that the NCCE 2 programme is effective, efficient and delivers value for money while continually improving educational outcomes and maintaining academic rigour. Alongside this, it is vital that the Authority is able to engage with key stakeholders including industry, academia and education to understand and benefit from their perspectives on both policy (strategic) and operational matters. Using this input alongside other intelligence and perspectives, the Authority can determine if, when and how the NCCE2 programme needs to flex to meet new or emerging needs.

The governance model is therefore organised to enable the Authority to retain oversight of the NCCE 2 programme alongside appropriate external challenge around NCCE2 operations (particularly academic rigour) and policy matters. This will ensure strong programme delivery while ensuring the Authority benefits from the views and expertise of a wide set of partners interested in computing and computer science.

The overall governance structure is shown in TQF3 Annex 2 with the role and interactions of key elements outlined below.

1. Internal (programme) governance is responsible for successful delivery of the NCCE2 programme as contracted by the Authority and in line with agreed KPIs and other parameters. It draws on the support, challenge and advice of the external governance structures (see below) but cannot delegate to them responsibility for successful delivery of the programme.

- **Steering Group** – comprises Authority representation, Supplier Chief Executive and Chief Operating Officer, Chair of the Advisory Group, and representation from relevant external bodies where applicable. Its key function is to retain strategic and performance oversight of NCCE2. The group meets termly and reports into Ministers via the Authority representation if required. The Steering Group ensures that the programme vision is successfully delivered and meets all targets and deliverables. The group meets termly (or on an 8-weekly cycle). The NCCE Steering Group shall:
 - provide senior level guidance, leadership and strategy for the overall delivery of the Services.
 - be the point of escalation from the NCCE Programme and Performance Board.
 - ensure that this Contract is operated throughout the Term in a manner which optimises the value for money and operational benefit derived by the Authority and the commercial benefit derived by the Supplier.

- receive and review reports from the NCCE Programme and Performance Board and review reports on technology, service and other developments that offer potential for improving the benefit that either Party is receiving, in particular value for money.
- work in conjunction with the Contract Management Committee.

Steering Group terms of reference.

It will:

- Ensure appropriate execution of the vision and values of the NCCE.
- Provide strategic oversight to the NCCE, overseeing key decision making (aligned with the Contract Management Committee), performance and risk management and assurance.
- Provide constructive challenge and feedback to enable the NCCE to thrive.
- acting as a point of last resort for issues which cannot be resolved through any other route.

Membership

- The Authority will chair the Steering Group.
 - The Steering Group will comprise of Authority representation, Supplier Learning Chief Executive & Chief Operating Officer, Chair of the Advisory Committee, representation from Academic and Industry/Employer Boards
 - The Authority will provide the secretariat function to the Steering Group.
 - Others may be invited to attend Steering Group meetings for specific items of discussion or at specific times.
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- **NCCE Contract Management Committee** – Key function to ensure that the programme meets all targets and deliverables. The committee meets monthly. A Programme update report will be issued in advance to the Authority alongside Programme Plan, Risk Register and Issue Log updates. This Committee will ensure the NCCE is delivering effectively and efficiently, reviewing progress against milestones and key deliverables. Makes decisions related to the performance of the contract and its deliverables. As part of due diligence processes, the NCCE Contract Management Committee will scrutinise programme progress to support the approval of Supplier invoicing to release financial payments, audited monthly by the finance review meeting.
 - **Programme and Performance Board** – Accountable for ensuring operational programme performance across all functions. Responsible for oversight of programme progress against objectives, high-level risk management, financial matters, compliance and challenging performance of the programme. Also responsible for making recommendations to the Authority on key decisions requiring input. Also responsible for making recommendations to the Department

on key decisions requiring input. Chaired by Supplier with membership comprising of programme and relevant function leads and senior managers with responsibility for cross cutting activities. An Authority representative will be invited where a specific discussion warrants it. The NCCE Programme and Performance Board shall be responsible for the executive management of the Services and shall:

- be accountable to the NCCE Contract Management Committee and NCCE Steering Group for comprehensive oversight of the Services and for the senior management of the operational relationship between the Parties.
- report to the NCCE Contract Management Committee and NCCE Steering Group on significant issues requiring decision and resolution and on progress against the high-level Implementation Plan.
- receive reports from the Project Managers on matters such as issues relating to delivery of existing Services and performance against Performance Indicators, progress against the Implementation Plan and possible future developments.
- review and report to the NCCE Contract Management Committee and NCCE Steering Group on service management, co-ordination of individual projects and any integration issues.
- deal with the prioritisation of resources and the appointment of Project Managers on behalf of the Parties.
- consider and resolve Disputes (including Disputes as to the cause of a Delay or the performance of the Services) in the first instance and if necessary, escalate the Dispute to the Programme Board; and
- develop operational/supplier relationship and develop and propose the relationship development strategy and ensure the implementation of the same.

Reporting into the Programme and Performance Board are a series of working groups, each responsible for delivering key workstreams vital to the success of NCCE. This will include -

- **CPD Content and Delivery** – covering educational intent, content and approaches across all programme activities. This will interact regularly with the Academic Committee, both formally through quarterly reviews but also on an on-going basis as required.
- **Digital** – covering digital infrastructure and approaches, including Isaac Computer Science.
- **Communications** – including communications with schools and colleges, industry and employers, and the wider environment. Will work closely with the Department on developing communication plans and campaigns as appropriate. This group will draw on input from the Education Leaders panel, student voice and employer roundtables to ensure appropriate approaches and messaging.
- **Computing Hub Network Management** – ensuring that the Computing Hub network remains effective and impactful. This group will liaise closely with the Authority on any changes to the network and will draw on input from the Education Leaders and Practitioner Panel where appropriate.

Outline Terms of Reference for the Programme & Performance Board

The P&P Board will hold overarching accountability for the operational management of the NCCE in relation to:

- *Programme management and delivery* – oversee the work of all work-packages of the NCCE playing a key role in resolving any issues relating to key dependencies or prioritisation of work-packages.
- *Financial matters* – undertake oversight of financial information, including financial budgets and estimates.
- *Performance management* challenge - receive updates from the operational programme groups with respect to performance against KPIs, programme milestones and plans, and financial status. The Board will ensure (as a minimum) all contractual requirements of the Department are met.
- *Risk management and internal control* – hold responsibility for the risk registers for the NCCE and all work packages. Reviewing which risks are strategically significant - taking a holistic view across the NCCE and work-packages. Oversee the mitigation of risks, placing greatest scrutiny against 'red-rated' risks.
- *Quality assurance* – undertake scrutiny of the quality and impact of the NCCE, ensuring a robust evaluation process is in place.
- *Compliance* - Ensure compliance with all management systems and processes, identifying risks as appropriate.

The Programme & Performance Board will receive updates and advice from each of the operational and working groups outlined in the governance diagram in TQ3 Annex 1.

Membership

- The member of the Senior Leadership Team of Supplier will chair the Programme & Performance Board.
- The Programme & Performance Board will draw membership from all work package Leads of the Supplier. The respective Programme Manager/Lead will prepare reports for the Programme & Performance Board, summarising financial and KPI performance. Reporting to the Department will align with the schedules of Programme & Performance Boards.
- Minutes of each Programme & Performance Management Board will be distributed to all members included the Authority.
- Actions from each Board meeting will be allocated to named individuals and progress and status tracked. Action owners will be expected to report on these actions at subsequent meetings.

- Members may raise urgent business via the Chair in-between the formal meetings, if there are urgent matters to discuss.
- Meetings shall be monthly.

2. Policy and Advisory structures are in place to provide the Authority with insights and perspectives from academia, employers and the school system. This will ensure the Authority has appropriate information and input to ensure the NCCE2 programme continues to deliver high quality support for computing education. Membership of the Advisory Committee, Academic Board and associated panels will be by invitation from the Authority, drawing on recommendations from the Supplier and others. All roles (excluding the Academic Board) are voluntary (pro bono) with representatives drawn from a wide range of organisations and specialisms. Travel expenses will be paid where appropriate. All compensation will be subject to Treasury guidelines. The NCCE programmes team will provide the secretariat for the groups and panels except if and where agreed with the Authority.

- **Advisory Committee** – the Advisory Committee supports overall quality assurance of the NCCE programme by acting as a critical friend, drawing together leading computer science academics and curriculum expertise, alongside learned societies, school trusts, industry representatives and computing teachers. The Advisory Committee will provide the Department with input and perspectives regarding their experience of computing education and the wider digital skills landscape. It will meet at least termly and feeds into the Steering group. The Advisory Committee will provide insights and challenge from industry, employer and wider stakeholders to ensure NCCE approaches to raising engagement and achievement in computing subjects and careers are appropriate, forward-looking and build on good practice.
 - The NCCE Advisory Committee will consist of representation from industry and wider stakeholders with the expertise and active interest in computing education, digital expertise and basic digital skills. The Committee will include members from the Digital Skills Partnerships, Computing in Schools Group and the AI Council. The Board will support and guide efforts to align NCCE engagement to the reality for digital skills employment, aligned to all related high-level government strategies (e.g., AI and Cyber). The Committee will guide work to engage with employers and sectors across England to realise the programme's ambitions.
 - The Advisory Committee will meet at least once per term, for a total of four meetings per academic year and produce a written report each quarter for submission to the Authority.
 - Attendance at relevant meetings and groups related to computer science education and policy will be fully met, adopting the following approach to ensure full and appropriate representation at all meetings and events.
 - At a national level, it will nominate representatives from a range of sources to attend and support discussions – and draw upon the following pools of expertise and talent: the NCCE Advisory Committee, the Education Leaders

and Practitioners Panel, the wider network of Educational Experts and Policy Advisers and the Supplier's in-house Computing Education team, as appropriate. It will be the responsibility of the 2 SRMs, working closely with the DfE to ensure that meetings/events are attended by the most appropriate individual or groups of individuals.

- At a regional level, the Regional Network Leads will coordinate, in partnership with the two SRMs, appropriate representation at regional and local meetings, to ensure widespread coverage and engagement and that it can respond and engage with employers and all stakeholders at all levels to reach all regions and economies across England.

Outline Terms of Reference for Advisory Committee

- Chaired by a senior leader from a key sector or employer, the Advisory Committee will meet termly/approximately every eight weeks (a mix of face-to-face or virtually) to provide insight, support and challenge from employers and wider stakeholders such as MATs, teachers and system leaders.
- The Advisory Committee will give feedback which will help the Department and the Supplier ensure that the NCCE 2's approaches to raising engagement and achievement in computing subjects and careers are forward-looking and built upon good practice from across the system.
- Drawing on the perspectives from the Academic Board, the Educational Leaders and Practitioners Panel, the Student Voice panel and industry roundtables, the Advisory Committee will provide the Department with any findings.
- The Committee will, where appropriate, provide recommendations on integrating real world relevance examples provided by schools for instance, clean-air projects or designing apps.

Reporting Structure

- The Advisory Committee will report into the Authority, including the Chair having direct contact with the Minister for Schools as and when appropriate.
- The Advisory Committee will be able to request updates and reports on matters concerning academic rigour from the Academic Board, Educational Leaders and Practice Panel, and the Student Voice panel, as required.

Membership

- The Advisory Committee will comprise between 6 and 12 members alongside the Chair.
- Membership of the Committee will be by invitation from the Authority. The Chair will be proposed by STEM Learning and agreed by the DfE.
- It is hoped that Board Members of the Advisory Committee will participate throughout the Initial Term of the Contract,. Their role may be extended during any Extension Period,

- The Supplier will provide the secretariat function to the Advisory Committee. The Authority will be invited to attend all meetings.

Academic Board – this is a group of individuals selected for their academic expertise in Computer Science and computing education, to provide robust and rigorous academic scrutiny of the standards used to develop and deliver the educational content (including CPD) and overarching principles of the NCCE. This includes teaching approaches, professional development, resources, accreditation and other materials. The Academic Board will meet every six months with ideally one face-to-face meeting each year. There will also be additional discussions with the NCCE Education Team as appropriate.

The Board may include representation from the BCS Schools Curriculum and Assessment Committee (SCAC) to facilitate best practice and sharing of knowledge and to provide oversight, scrutiny, and guidance to ensure that NCCE2 activities and support are appropriately academically robust, rigorous and grounded in best available evidence and research. The Academic Board will provide advice to inform policy around computing education more broadly, for example on pedagogy and international comparisons, informed by the commissioned policy projects throughout the Term. The BCS SCAC would continue to provide impartial independent advice for the Authority on computing qualifications and curriculum content.

The Academic Board (and Advisory Committee) will be able to draw on input from 3 panels, convened as appropriate and in consultation with the Authority –

- **Education Leaders and Practitioner Panel** – This will include representatives from school trusts, senior school and college leadership and specialist computing educators. It will be convened approximately twice a year, with a small number (6 to 8) of permanent members supplemented by additional invitees to reflect the topics for discussion. The Authority will be invited to all panel sessions. Key outcomes from the discussions will be fed back to the Advisory Group and the Authority. Chaired by a MAT CEO, bringing together senior leaders and practicing teachers of computing alongside educational researchers to support the translation of research and policy into effective teaching practice and supporting CPD.
- **Youth Panel** – this will be developed in consultation with the Authority and Education Leaders Advisory Panel during the first six months of the next phase of NCCE. It will enable the Authority, Advisory Group and other panels to understand the perspective of students including those from under-represented groups and those not engaged with computer science, so enabling them to build this into the programme appropriately.
- **Industry roundtables** - these will be convened as appropriate to allow flexibility in approach. Topics will be decided in consultation with the Department and attendees invited to attend, ideally face to face. Sessions will be chaired by an industry representative or the Authority. Outcomes will be documented and shared with the Authority.

Academic Board terms of reference

- The Academic Board will be chaired by an individual recognised for their expertise and credibility in the discipline of computer science. Other members

will be selected for their expertise and invited to participate by the Authority. The Board will meet every six months (virtually or face to face), with representatives of the NCCE education team and the Authority invited to attend.

- The Board will be invited to examine and comment on educational aspects of the NCCE2, including but not necessarily limited to:
 - Subject content (what is taught)
 - Pedagogy (how it is taught)
 - Progression (which concepts are taught, in which order, at what age)
 - Assessment, especially formative assessment, of computing
- The Academic Board will help ensure NCCE 2 has robust quality control processes (including independent review where appropriate) in place for -
- materials (resources, course materials, etc)
- professional development (Computing Hubs, online courses, face to face courses, etc)
- dissemination of research

Reporting Structure

- The Academic Board will report into the Advisory Committee, but with an active and responsive link directly to the NCCE education team to ensure the ability to react appropriately to specific requests for support. The Chair will also communicate directly with the Authority on request.

Membership

- The Academic Board will have a minimum of 6 and a maximum of 10 members alongside the Chair.
- Membership of the Board will be by invitation from the Authority. The Chair will be proposed by the Supplier and agreed by the Authority.
- It is hoped that Members of the Academic Board will participate throughout the Initial Term,. Their role may be extended during any Extension Period.
- The Supplier will provide the secretariat function to the Academic Board. The Authority will be invited to attend all meetings.

SCHEDULE 22

CHANGE CONTROL PROCEDURE

Schedule 22 (*Change Control Procedure*)

1 DEFINITIONS

1.1 In this Schedule, the following definitions shall apply:

“Authority Change Manager”	the person appointed to that position by the Authority from time to time and notified in writing to the Supplier or, if no person is notified, the Authority Representative;
“Change Request”	a written request for a Contract Change which shall be substantially in the form of Annex 1;
“Change Communication”	any Change Request, Impact Assessment, Change Authorisation Note or other communication sent or required to be sent pursuant to this Schedule;
“Fast-track Change”	any Contract Change which the Parties agree to expedite in accordance with Paragraph 8;
“Impact Assessment”	an assessment of a Change Request in accordance with Paragraph 5;
“Impact Assessment Estimate”	has the meaning given in Paragraph 4.3;
“Receiving Party”	the Party which receives a proposed Contract Change; and
“Supplier Change Manager”	the person appointed to that position by the Supplier from time to time and notified in writing to the Authority or, if no person is notified, the Supplier Representative.

2 GENERAL PRINCIPLES OF CHANGE CONTROL PROCEDURE

2.1 This Schedule sets out the procedure for dealing with Changes.

2.2 Operational Changes shall be processed in accordance with Paragraph 9. If either Party is in doubt about whether a change falls within the definition of an Operational Change, then it must be processed as a Contract Change.

2.3 The Parties shall deal with Contract Change as follows:

- (a) either Party may request a Contract Change which they shall initiate by issuing a Change Request in accordance with Paragraph 4;
- (b) unless this Contract otherwise requires, the Supplier shall assess and document the potential impact of a proposed Contract Change

in accordance with Paragraph 5 before the Contract Change can be either approved or implemented;

- (c) the Authority shall have the right to request amendments to a Change Request, approve it or reject it in the manner set out in Paragraph 6;
- (d) the Supplier shall have the right to reject a Change Request solely in the manner set out in Paragraph 7;
- (e) save as otherwise provided in this Contract, no proposed Contract Change shall be implemented by the Supplier until a Change Authorisation Note has been signed and issued by the Authority in accordance with Paragraph 6.2; and
- (f) if a proposed Contract Change is a Fast-track Change, it shall be processed in accordance with Paragraph 8.

2.4 To the extent that any Contract Change requires testing and/or a programme for implementation, then the Parties shall follow the procedures set out in Schedule 14 (Testing Procedures), and, where appropriate, the Change Authorisation Note relating to such a Contract Change shall specify Milestones and/or a Key Milestone and Milestone Date(s) in respect of such Contract Change for the purposes of such procedures.

2.5 Until a Change Authorisation Note has been signed and issued by the Authority in accordance with Paragraph 6.2, then:

- (a) unless the Authority expressly agrees (or requires) otherwise in writing, the Supplier shall continue to supply the Services in accordance with the existing terms of this Contract as if the proposed Contract Change did not apply; and
- (b) any discussions, negotiations or other communications which may take place between the Authority and the Supplier in connection with any proposed Contract Change, including the submission of any Change Communications, shall be without prejudice to each Party's other rights under this Contract.

2.6 The Supplier shall:

- (a) within 10 Working Days of the Authority's signature and issue of a Change Authorisation Note, deliver to the Authority a copy of this Contract updated to reflect all Contract Changes agreed in the relevant Change Authorisation Note and annotated with a reference to the Change Authorisation Note pursuant to which the relevant Contract Changes were agreed; and
- (b) thereafter provide to the Authority such further copies of the updated Contract as the Authority may from time to time request.

3 COSTS

3.1 Subject to Paragraph 3.3:

- (a) the costs of preparing each Change Request shall be borne by the Party making the Change Request; and
- (b) the costs incurred by the Supplier in undertaking an Impact Assessment shall be borne by the Party making the Change Request provided that the Authority shall not be required to pay any such costs if:
 - (i) such costs are below [REDACTED]
 - (ii) the Supplier is able to undertake the Impact Assessment by using resources already deployed in the provision of the Services; or
 - (iii) such costs exceed those in the accepted Impact Assessment Estimate.

3.2 The Supplier shall be entitled to increase the Charges only if it can demonstrate in the Impact Assessment that the proposed Contract Change requires additional resources and, in any event, any change to the Charges resulting from a Contract Change (whether the change will cause an increase or a decrease in the Charges) will be strictly proportionate to the increase or decrease in the level of resources required for the provision of the Services as amended by the Contract Change.

3.3 Both Parties' costs incurred in respect of any use of this Change Control Procedure as a result of any error or Default by the Supplier shall be paid for by the Supplier.

4 CHANGE REQUEST

4.1 Either Party may issue a Change Request to the other Party at any time during the Term. A Change Request shall be substantially in the form of Annex 1 and state whether the Party issuing the Change Request considers the proposed Contract Change to be a Fast-track Change.

4.2 If the Supplier issues the Change Request, then it shall also provide an Impact Assessment to the Authority as soon as is reasonably practicable but in any event within 10 Working Days of the date of issuing the Change Request.

4.3 If the Authority issues the Change Request, then the Supplier shall provide as soon as reasonably practical and in any event within ten (10) Working Days of the date of receiving the Change Request an estimate ("**Impact Assessment Estimate**") of the cost of preparing an Impact Assessment and the timetable for preparing it. The timetable shall provide for the completed Impact Assessment to be received by the Authority within ten (10) Working Days of acceptance of the Impact Assessment Estimate or within any longer time period agreed by the Authority.

- 4.4 If the Authority accepts an Impact Assessment Estimate then following receipt of notice of such acceptance the Supplier shall provide the completed Impact Assessment to the Authority as soon as is reasonably practicable and in any event within the period agreed in the Impact Assessment Estimate. If the Supplier requires any clarification in relation to the Change Request before it can deliver the Impact Assessment, then it shall promptly make a request for clarification to the Authority and provided that sufficient information is received by the Authority to fully understand:

- (a) The nature of the request for clarification; and
- (b) The reasonable justification for the request;

the time period to complete the Impact Assessment shall be extended by the time taken by the Authority to provide that clarification. The Authority shall respond to the request for clarification as soon as is reasonably practicable.

5 IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 5.1 Each Impact Assessment shall be completed in good faith and shall include:

- (a) details of the proposed Contract Change including the reason for the Contract Change; and
- (b) details of the impact of the proposed Contract Change on the Services, and the Supplier's ability to meet its other obligations under this Contract;
- (c) any variation to the terms of this Contract that will be required as a result of that impact, including changes to:
 - (i) the Services Description, the Performance Indicators and/or the Target Performance Levels;
 - (ii) the format of Authority Data, as set out in the Services Description;
 - (iii) the Milestones, Implementation Plan and any other timetable previously agreed by the Parties;
 - (iv) other services provided by third party contractors to the Authority, including any changes required by the proposed Contract Change to the Authority's IT infrastructure;
- (d) details of the cost of implementing the proposed Contract Change;
- (e) details of the ongoing costs required by the proposed Contract Change when implemented, including any increase or decrease in the Charges, any alteration in the resources and/or expenditure required by either Party and any alteration to the working practices of either Party;
- (f) a timetable for the implementation, together with any proposals for the testing of the Contract Change;

- (g) details of how the proposed Contract Change will ensure compliance with any applicable Change in Law; and
 - (h) such other information as the Authority may reasonably request in (or in response to) the Change Request.
- 5.2 If the Contract Change involves the processing or transfer of any Personal Data outside the European Economic Area, the preparation of the Impact Assessment shall also be subject to Clause 21 (*Protection of Personal Data*).
- 5.3 Subject to the provisions of Paragraph 5.4, the Authority shall review the Impact Assessment and respond to the Supplier in accordance with Paragraph 6 within 15 Working Days of receiving the Impact Assessment, it.
- 5.4 If the Authority is the Receiving Party and the Authority reasonably considers that it requires further information regarding the proposed Contract Change so that it may properly evaluate the Change Request and the Impact Assessment, then within 5 Working Days of receiving the Impact Assessment, it shall notify the Supplier of this fact and detail the further information that it requires. The Supplier shall then re-issue the relevant Impact Assessment to the Authority within 10 Working Days of receiving such notification. At the Authority's discretion, the Parties may repeat the process described in this Paragraph 5.4 until the Authority is satisfied that it has sufficient information to properly evaluate the Change Request and Impact Assessment.
- 5.5 The calculation of costs for the purposes of Paragraphs 6.1(d) and (e) shall:
 - (a) be based on the Charges;
 - (b) facilitate the Financial Transparency Objectives;
 - (c) include estimated volumes of each type of resource to be employed and the applicable rate card;
 - (d) include full disclosure of any assumptions underlying such Impact Assessment;
 - (e) include evidence of the cost of any assets required for the Change; and
 - (f) include details of any new Sub-contracts necessary to accomplish the Change.

6 AUTHORITY'S RIGHT OF APPROVAL

- 6.1 Within 15 Working Days of receiving the Impact Assessment from the Supplier or within 10 Working Days of receiving the further information that it may request pursuant to Paragraph 5.4, the Authority shall evaluate the Change Request and the Impact Assessment and shall do one of the following:
 - (a) approve the proposed Contract Change, in which case the Parties shall follow the procedure set out in Paragraph 6.2;

- (b) in its absolute discretion reject the Contract Change, in which case it shall notify the Supplier of the rejection. The Authority shall not reject any proposed Contract Change to the extent that the Contract Change is necessary for the Supplier or the Services to comply with any Changes in Law. If the Authority does reject a Contract Change, then it shall explain its reasons in writing to the Supplier as soon as is reasonably practicable following such rejection; or
 - (c) in the event that it reasonably believes that a Change Request or Impact Assessment contains errors or omissions, require the Supplier to modify the relevant document accordingly, in which event the Supplier shall make such modifications within 5 Working Days of such request. Subject to Paragraph 5.4, on receiving the modified Change Request and/or Impact Assessment, the Authority shall approve or reject the proposed Contract Change within 10 Working Days.
- 6.2 If the Authority approves the proposed Contract Change pursuant to Paragraph 6.1 and it has not been rejected by the Supplier in accordance with Paragraph 7, then it shall inform the Supplier and the Supplier shall prepare two copies of a Change Authorisation Note which it shall sign and deliver to the Authority for its signature. Following receipt by the Authority of the Change Authorisation Note, it shall sign both copies and return one copy to the Supplier. On the Authority's signature the Change Authorisation Note shall constitute (or, where the Authority has agreed to or required the implementation of a Change prior to signature of a Change Authorisation Note, shall constitute confirmation of) a binding variation to this Contract.
- 6.3 If the Authority does not sign the Change Authorisation Note within 10 Working Days, then the Supplier shall have the right to notify the Authority and if the Authority does not sign the Change Authorisation Note within 5 Working Days of such notification, then the Supplier may refer the matter to the Expedited Dispute Timetable pursuant to the Dispute Resolution Procedure.

7 SUPPLIER'S RIGHT OF APPROVAL

- 7.1 Following an Impact Assessment, if:
 - (a) the Supplier reasonably believes that any proposed Contract Change which is requested by the Authority would:
 - (i) materially and adversely affect the risks to the health and safety of any person; and/or
 - (ii) require the Services to be performed in a way that infringes any Law; and/or
 - (b) the Supplier demonstrates to the Authority's reasonable satisfaction that the proposed Contract Change is technically impossible to implement and neither the Supplier Solution nor the Services Description state that the Supplier does have the technical capacity and flexibility required to implement the proposed Contract Change,

then the Supplier shall be entitled to reject the proposed Contract Change and shall notify the Authority of its reasons for doing so within 5 Working Days after the date on which it is obliged to deliver the Impact Assessment pursuant to Paragraph 4.3.

8 FAST-TRACK CHANGES

8.1 The Parties acknowledge that to ensure operational efficiency there may be circumstances where it is desirable to expedite the processes set out above.

8.2 If:

- (a) the total number of Contract Changes in relation to which this Fast-track Change procedure has been applied does not exceed 4 in any 12 month period; and
- (b) both Parties agree the value of the proposed Contract Change over the remaining Term and any period for which Termination Services may be required does not exceed [REDACTED] and the proposed Contract Change is not significant (as determined by the Authority acting reasonably),

then the Parties shall confirm to each other in writing that they shall use the process set out in Paragraphs 4, 5, 6, and 7 but with reduced timescales, such that any period of 15 Working Days is reduced to 5 Working Days, any period of 10 Working Days is reduced to 2 Working Days and any period of 5 Working Days is reduced to 1 Working Day.

8.3 The Parties may agree in writing to revise the parameters set out in Paragraph 8.2 from time to time or that the Fast-track Change procedure shall be used in relation to a particular Contract Change notwithstanding that the total number of Contract Changes to which such procedure is applied will then exceed 4 in a 12 month period.

9 OPERATIONAL CHANGE PROCEDURE

9.1 Any Operational Changes identified by the Supplier to improve operational efficiency of the Services may be implemented by the Supplier without following the Change Control Procedure for proposed Contract Changes provided they do not:

- (a) have an impact on the business of the Authority;
- (b) require a change to this Contract;
- (c) have a direct impact on use of the Services; or
- (d) involve the Authority in paying any additional Charges or other costs.

9.2 The Authority may request an Operational Change by submitting a written request for Operational Change (“**RFOC**”) to the Supplier Representative.

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9.3 The RFOC shall include the following details:

- (a) the proposed Operational Change; and
- (b) the time-scale for completion of the Operational Change.

9.4 The Supplier shall inform the Authority of any impact on the Services that may arise from the proposed Operational Change.

9.5 The Supplier shall complete the Operational Change by the timescale specified for completion of the Operational Change in the RFOC, and shall promptly notify the Authority when the Operational Change is completed.

10 COMMUNICATIONS

10.1 For any Change Communication to be valid under this Schedule, it must be sent to either the Authority Change Manager or the Supplier Change Manager, as applicable. The provisions of Clause 42 (*Notices*) shall apply to a Change Communication as if it were a notice.

ANNEX 1: CHANGE REQUEST FORM

CR NO.:	TITLE:	TYPE OF CHANGE:
CONTRACT:		REQUIRED BY DATE:
ACTION:	NAME:	DATE:
RAISED BY:		
AREA(S) IMPACTED (<i>OPTIONAL FIELD</i>):		
ASSIGNED FOR IMPACT ASSESSMENT BY:		
ASSIGNED FOR IMPACT ASSESSMENT TO:		
SUPPLIER REFERENCE NO.:		
FULL DESCRIPTION OF REQUESTED CONTRACT CHANGE (INCLUDING PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE WORDING OF THE CONTRACT):		
DETAILS OF ANY PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE SCENARIOS:		
REASONS FOR AND BENEFITS AND DISADVANTAGES OF REQUESTED CONTRACT CHANGE:		
SIGNATURE OF REQUESTING CHANGE OWNER:		
DATE OF REQUEST:		

ANNEX 2: CHANGE AUTHORISATION NOTE

CR NO.:	TITLE:	DATE RAISED:
CONTRACT:	TYPE OF CHANGE:	REQUIRED BY DATE:
[KEY MILESTONE DATE: <i>[if any]</i>]		
DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF CONTRACT CHANGE FOR WHICH IMPACT ASSESSMENT IS BEING PREPARED AND WORDING OF RELATED CHANGES TO THE CONTRACT:		
PROPOSED ADJUSTMENT TO THE CHARGES RESULTING FROM THE CONTRACT CHANGE:		
DETAILS OF PROPOSED ONE-OFF ADDITIONAL CHARGES AND MEANS FOR DETERMINING THESE (E.G. FIXED PRICE BASIS):		
SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE AUTHORITY:		SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE SUPPLIER:
Signature: _____		Signature: _____
Name: _____		Name: _____
Position: _____		Position: _____
Date: _____		Date: _____

SCHEDULE 23
DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCEDURE

Schedule 23 (*Dispute Resolution Procedure*)

1 DEFINITIONS

1.1 In this Schedule, the following definitions shall apply:

“CEDR”	the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution of International Dispute Resolution Centre 1 Patternoster Lane, St Paul’s, London, EC4M 7BQ;
“Counter Notice”	has the meaning given in Paragraph 7.2;
“Expert”	in relation to a Dispute, a person appointed in accordance with Paragraph 6.2 to act as an expert in relation to that Dispute;
“Expert Determination”	determination by an Expert in accordance with Paragraph 6;
“Mediation Notice”	has the meaning given in Paragraph 4.2;
“Mediator”	the independent third party appointed in accordance with Paragraph 5.2 to mediate a Dispute;
“Multi-Party Dispute”	a Dispute which involves the Parties and one or more Related Third Parties;
“Multi-Party Dispute Representatives”	has the meaning given in Paragraph 9.6;
“Multi-Party Dispute Resolution Board”	has the meaning given in Paragraph 9.6;
“Related Third Party”	a party to: (a) another contract with the Authority or the Supplier which is relevant to this Contract; or (d) a Sub-contract; and
“Supplier Request”	a notice served by the Supplier requesting that the Dispute be treated as a Multi-Party Dispute, setting out its grounds for that request and specifying each Related Third Party that it believes should be involved in the Multi-Dispute Resolution Procedure in respect of that Dispute.

2 DISPUTE NOTICES

2.1 If a Dispute arises then:

- (a) the Authority Representative and the Supplier Representative shall attempt in good faith to resolve the Dispute; and
- (b) if such attempts are not successful within a reasonable period, not being longer than 20 Working Days, either Party may issue to the other a Dispute Notice.

2.2 A Dispute Notice:

- (a) shall set out:
 - (i) the material particulars of the Dispute;
 - (ii) the reasons why the Party serving the Dispute Notice believes that the Dispute has arisen; and
 - (iii) if the Party serving the Dispute Notice believes that the Dispute should be dealt with under the Expedited Dispute Timetable, the reason why; and
- (b) may specify in accordance with the requirements of Paragraphs 9.2 and 9.3 that the Party issuing the Dispute Notice has determined (in the case of the Authority) or considers (in the case of the Supplier) that the Dispute is a Multi-Party Dispute, in which case Paragraph 2.3 shall apply.

2.3 If a Dispute Notice specifies that the Dispute has been determined or is considered to be a Multi-Party Dispute pursuant to Paragraph 2.2(b), then:

- (a) if it is served by the Authority it shall be treated as a Multi-Party Procedure Initiation Notice; and
- (b) if it is served by the Supplier it shall be treated as a Supplier Request, and in each case the provisions of Paragraph 9 shall apply.

2.4 Subject to Paragraphs 2.5 and 3.2 and so long as the Authority has not served a Multi-Party Procedure Initiation Notice in respect of the relevant Dispute, following the issue of a Dispute Notice the Parties shall seek to resolve the Dispute:

- (a) first by commercial negotiation (as prescribed in Paragraph 4);
- (b) then, if either Party serves a Mediation Notice, by mediation (as prescribed in Paragraph 5); and
- (c) lastly by recourse to arbitration (as prescribed in Paragraph 7) or litigation (in accordance with Clause 44 (*Governing Law and Jurisdiction*)).

- 2.5 Specific issues shall be referred to Expert Determination (as prescribed in Paragraph 6) where specified under the provisions of this Contract and may also be referred to Expert Determination where otherwise appropriate as specified in Paragraph 6.1.
- 2.6 Unless agreed otherwise in writing, the Parties shall continue to comply with their respective obligations under this Contract regardless of the nature of the Dispute and notwithstanding any issue of a Dispute Notice or a Multi-Party Procedure Initiation Notice or proceedings under Paragraph 8 (*Urgent Relief*).

3 EXPEDITED DISPUTE TIMETABLE

- 3.1 In exceptional circumstances where the use of the times in this Schedule would be unreasonable, including (by way of example) where one Party would be materially disadvantaged by a delay in resolving the Dispute, the Parties may agree to use the Expedited Dispute Timetable. If the Parties are unable to reach agreement on whether to use the Expedited Dispute Timetable within 5 Working Days of the issue of a Dispute Notice, the use of the Expedited Dispute Timetable shall be at the sole discretion of the Authority.
- 3.2 If the Expedited Dispute Timetable is to be used pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 3.1 or is otherwise specified under the provisions of this Contract, then the following periods of time shall apply in lieu of the time periods specified in the applicable Paragraphs:
- (a) in Paragraph 4.2(c), 10 Working Days;
 - (b) in Paragraph 5.2, 10 Working Days;
 - (c) in Paragraph 6.2, 5 Working Days; and
 - (d) in Paragraph 7.2, 10 Working Days.
- 3.3 If at any point it becomes clear that an applicable deadline cannot be met or has passed, the Parties may (but shall be under no obligation to) agree in writing to extend the deadline. If the Parties fail to agree within 2 Working Days after the deadline has passed, the Authority may set a revised deadline provided that it is no less than 5 Working Days before the end of the period of time specified in the applicable Paragraphs (or 2 Working Days in the case of Paragraph 6.2). Any agreed extension shall have the effect of delaying the start of the subsequent stages by the period agreed in the extension. If the Authority fails to set such a revised deadline then the use of the Expedited Dispute Timetable shall cease and the normal time periods shall apply from that point onwards.

4 COMMERCIAL NEGOTIATION

- 4.1 Following the service of a Dispute Notice, then, so long as the Authority has not served a Multi-Party Procedure Initiation Notice in respect of the relevant Dispute, the Authority and the Supplier shall make reasonable endeavours to resolve the Dispute as soon as possible by commercial negotiation between the Authority Representative and the Supplier Representative.

4.2 If:

- (a) either Party is of the reasonable opinion that the resolution of a Dispute by commercial negotiation, or the continuance of commercial negotiation, will not result in an appropriate solution;
- (b) the Parties have already held discussions of a nature and intent (or otherwise were conducted in the spirit) that would equate to the conduct of commercial negotiation in accordance with this Paragraph 4; or
- (c) the Parties have not settled the Dispute in accordance with Paragraph 4.1 within 30 Working Days of service of the Dispute Notice,

either Party may serve a written notice to proceed to mediation in accordance with Paragraph 5 (a “**Mediation Notice**”).

5 MEDIATION

- 5.1 If a Mediation Notice is served, the Parties shall attempt to resolve the dispute in accordance with the version of CEDR's Model Mediation Procedure which is current at the time the Mediation Notice is served (or such other version as the Parties may agree).
- 5.2 If the Parties are unable to agree on the joint appointment of an independent person to mediate the Dispute within 20 Working Days from (and including) the service of a Mediation Notice then either Party may apply to CEDR to nominate such a person.
- 5.3 If the Parties are unable to reach a settlement in the negotiations at the mediation, and only if both Parties so request and the Mediator agrees, the Mediator shall produce for the Parties a non-binding recommendation on terms of settlement. This shall not attempt to anticipate what a court might order but shall set out what the Mediator suggests are appropriate settlement terms in all of the circumstances.
- 5.4 Any settlement reached in the mediation shall not be legally binding until it has been reduced to writing and signed by, or on behalf of, the Parties (in accordance with the Change Control Procedure where appropriate). The Mediator shall assist the Parties in recording the outcome of the mediation.

6 EXPERT DETERMINATION

- 6.1 If a Dispute relates to any aspect of the technology underlying the provision of the Services or otherwise relates to a technical matter of an IT, accounting or financing nature and the Dispute has not been resolved by commercial negotiation in accordance with Paragraph 4 or, if applicable, mediation in accordance with Paragraph 5, then either Party may by written notice to the other request (agreement to which request shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed) that the Dispute be referred to an expert for determination.

6.2 The expert shall be appointed by agreement in writing between the Parties, but in the event of a failure to agree within 10 Working Days of the relevant request made pursuant to Paragraph 6.1, or if the person appointed is unable or unwilling to act, the expert shall be appointed:

- (a) if the Dispute relates to any aspect of the technology underlying the provision of the Services or a matter of an IT technical nature, on the instructions of the President of the British Computer Society (or any other association that has replaced the British Computer Society);
- (b) if the Dispute relates to a matter of a financial technical nature, on the instructions of the President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales; or
- (c) if the Dispute relates to a matter of a technical nature not falling within Paragraphs 6.2(a) or (b), on the instructions of the president (or equivalent) of:
 - (i) an appropriate body agreed between the Parties; or
 - (ii) if the Parties do not reach agreement on the relevant body within 15 Working Days of the relevant request made pursuant to Paragraph 6.1, such body as may be specified by the President of the Law Society on application by either Party.

6.3 The Expert shall act on the following basis:

- (a) he/she shall act as an expert and not as an arbitrator and shall act fairly and impartially;
- (b) the Expert's determination shall (in the absence of a material failure to follow the agreed procedures) be final and binding on the Parties;
- (c) the Expert shall decide the procedure to be followed in the determination and shall be requested to make his/her determination within 30 Working Days of his appointment or as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter and the Parties shall assist and provide the documentation that the Expert requires for the purpose of the determination;
- (d) any amount payable by one Party to another as a result of the Expert's determination shall be due and payable within 20 Working Days of the Expert's determination being notified to the Parties;
- (e) the process shall be conducted in private and shall be confidential; and
- (f) the Expert shall determine how and by whom the costs of the determination, including his/her fees and expenses, are to be paid.

7 ARBITRATION

7.1 Subject to compliance with its obligations under Paragraph 4.1 and to the provisions of Paragraph 6, the Authority may at any time before court

proceedings are commenced refer the Dispute to arbitration in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 7.5.

- 7.2 Before the Supplier commences court proceedings or arbitration, it shall serve written notice on the Authority of its intentions and the Authority shall have 15 Working Days following receipt of such notice to serve a reply (a “**Counter Notice**”) on the Supplier requiring the Dispute to be referred to and resolved by arbitration in accordance with Paragraph 7.5 or be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales. The Supplier shall not commence any court proceedings or arbitration until the expiry of such 15 Working Day period.
- 7.3 If the Authority serves a Counter Notice, then:
- (a) if the Counter Notice requires the Dispute to be referred to arbitration, the provisions of Paragraph 7.5 shall apply; or
 - (b) if the Counter Notice requires the Dispute to be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales, the Dispute shall be so referred to those courts and the Supplier shall not commence arbitration proceedings.
- 7.4 If the Authority does not serve a Counter Notice within the 15 Working Day period referred to in Paragraph 7.2, the Supplier may either commence arbitration proceedings in accordance with Paragraph 7.5 or commence court proceedings in the Courts of England and Wales which shall (in those circumstances) have exclusive jurisdiction.
- 7.5 The Parties hereby confirm that if any arbitration proceedings are commenced pursuant to Paragraphs 7.1 to 7.4:
- (a) the Dispute shall be referred to and finally resolved by arbitration under the Rules of the London Court of International Arbitration (“**LCIA**”) (subject to Paragraphs 7.5(e), (f) and (g);
 - (b) the arbitration shall be administered by the LCIA;
 - (c) the LCIA procedural rules in force at the date that the Dispute was referred to arbitration shall be applied and are deemed to be incorporated by reference into this Contract and the decision of the arbitrator shall be binding on the Parties in the absence of any material failure to comply with such rules;
 - (d) if the Parties fail to agree the appointment of the arbitrator within 10 Working Days from the date on which arbitration proceedings are commenced or if the person appointed is unable or unwilling to act, the arbitrator shall be appointed by the LCIA;
 - (e) the chair of the arbitral tribunal shall be British;
 - (f) the arbitration proceedings shall take place in London and in the English language; and
 - (g) the seat of the arbitration shall be London.

8 URGENT RELIEF

- 8.1 Either Party may at any time take proceedings or seek remedies before any court or tribunal of competent jurisdiction:
- (a) for interim or interlocutory remedies in relation to this Contract or infringement by the other Party of that Party's Intellectual Property Rights; and/or
 - (b) where compliance with Paragraph 2.1 and/or referring the Dispute to mediation may leave insufficient time for that Party to commence proceedings before the expiry of the limitation period.

9 MULTI-PARTY DISPUTES

- 9.1 All Multi-Party Disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedure set out in this Paragraph 9 (the "**Multi-Party Dispute Resolution Procedure**").
- 9.2 If at any time following the issue of a Dispute Notice, the Authority reasonably considers that the matters giving rise to the Dispute involve one or more Related Third Parties, then the Authority shall be entitled to determine that the Dispute is a Multi-Party Dispute and to serve a notice on the Supplier which sets out the Authority's determination that the Dispute is a Multi-Party Dispute and specifies the Related Third Parties which are to be involved in the Multi-Party Dispute Resolution Procedure, such notice a "**Multi-Party Procedure Initiation Notice**".
- 9.3 If following the issue of a Dispute Notice but before the Dispute has been referred to Expert Determination or to arbitration in accordance with Paragraph 7, the Supplier has reasonable grounds to believe that the matters giving rise to the Dispute have been contributed to by one or more Related Third Parties, the Supplier may serve a Supplier Request on the Authority.
- 9.4 The Authority shall (acting reasonably) consider each Supplier Request and shall determine within 5 Working Days whether the Dispute is:
- (a) a Multi-Party Dispute, in which case the Authority shall serve a Multi-Party Procedure Initiation Notice on the Supplier; or
 - (b) not a Multi-Party Dispute, in which case the Authority shall serve written notice of such determination upon the Supplier and the Dispute shall be treated in accordance with Paragraphs 3 to 8.
- 9.5 If the Authority has determined, following a Supplier Request, that a Dispute is not a Multi-Party Dispute, the Supplier may not serve another Supplier Request with reference to the same Dispute.
- 9.6 Following service of a Multi-Party Procedure Initiation Notice a Multi-Party Dispute shall be dealt with by a board (in relation to such Multi-Party Dispute, the "**Multi-Party Dispute Resolution Board**") comprising representatives from the following parties to the Multi-Party Dispute, each of whom shall be of a suitable level of seniority to finalise any agreement with the other parties to settle the Multi-Party Dispute:

- (a) the Authority;
 - (b) the Supplier;
 - (c) each Related Third Party involved in the Multi-Party Dispute; and
 - (d) any other representatives of any of the Parties and/or any Related Third Parties whom the Authority considers necessary,
- (together “**Multi-Party Dispute Representatives**”).

9.7 The Parties agree that the Multi-Party Dispute Resolution Board shall seek to resolve the relevant Multi-Party Dispute in accordance with the following principles and procedures:

- (a) the Parties shall procure that their Multi-Party Dispute Representatives attend, and shall use their best endeavours to procure that the Multi-Party Dispute Representatives of each Related Third Party attend, all meetings of the Multi-Party Dispute Resolution Board in respect of the Multi-Party Dispute;
- (b) the Multi-Party Dispute Resolution Board shall first meet within 10 Working Days of service of the relevant Multi-Party Procedure Initiation Notice at such time and place as the Parties may agree or, if the Parties do not reach agreement on the time and place within 5 Working Days of service of the relevant Multi-Party Procedure Initiation Notice, at the time and place specified by the Authority, provided such place is at a neutral location within England and that the meeting is to take place between 9.00am and 5.00pm on a Working Day; and
- (c) in seeking to resolve or settle any Multi-Party Dispute, the members of the Multi-Party Dispute Resolution Board shall have regard to the principle that a Multi-Party Dispute should be determined based on the contractual rights and obligations between the Parties and the Related Third Parties and that any apportionment of costs should reflect the separate components of the Multi-Party Dispute.

9.8 If a Multi-Party Dispute is not resolved between the Parties and all Related Third Parties within 25 Working Days of the issue of the Multi-Party Procedure Initiation Notice (or such longer period as the Parties may agree in writing), then:

- (a) either Party may serve a Mediation Notice in respect of the Multi-Party Dispute in which case Paragraph 5 shall apply;
- (b) either Party may request that the Multi-Party Dispute is referred to an expert in which case Paragraph 6 shall apply; and/or
- (c) subject to Paragraph 9.9, Paragraph 7 shall apply to the Multi-Party Dispute,

and in each case references to the “Supplier” or the “Parties” in such provisions shall include a reference to all Related Third Parties.

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- 9.9 If a Multi-Party Dispute is referred to arbitration in accordance with Paragraph 7 or a Dispute becomes a Multi-Party Dispute during the course of arbitration proceedings and either Party is unable to compel a Related Third Party to submit to such arbitration proceedings, the Authority or the Supplier may discontinue such arbitration proceedings and instead initiate court proceedings. The costs of any such discontinued arbitration proceedings shall be borne by the Party which is in a direct contractual relationship with the Related Third Party or, where the Related Third Party is a Sub Contractor, by the Supplier.

SCHEDULE 24

REPORTS AND RECORDS PROVISIONS

Schedule 24 (*Reports and Records Provisions*)

1 TRANSPARENCY REPORTS

- 1.1 Within three (3) months of the Effective Date the Supplier shall provide to the Authority for its approval (such approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) draft reports in accordance with Annex 1 (once approved, the “**Transparency Reports**”).
- 1.2 If the Authority rejects any draft Transparency Report, the Supplier shall submit a revised version of the relevant report for further approval by the Authority 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 Authority. If the Parties fail to agree on a draft Transparency Report the Authority shall determine what should be included.
- 1.3 The Supplier shall provide accurate and up-to-date versions of each Transparency Report to the Authority at the frequency referred to in Annex 1.
- 1.4 Any disagreement in connection with the preparation and/or approval of Transparency Reports, other than under Paragraph 1.2 above in relation to the contents of a Transparency Report, shall be treated as a Dispute.
- 1.5 The requirements for Transparency Reports are in addition to any other reporting requirements in this Contract.

2 OTHER REPORTS

- 2.1 The Authority may require any or all of the following reports:
 - (a) delay reports;
 - (b) reports relating to Testing and tests carried out under Schedule 5 (Security Management) and Schedule 26 (Service Continuity Plan and Corporate Resolution Planning);
 - (c) reports which the Supplier is required to supply as part of the Management Information;
 - (d) annual reports on the Insurances;
 - (e) security reports; and
 - (f) Force Majeure Event reports.

3 RECORDS

- 3.1 The Supplier shall retain and maintain all the records (including superseded records) referred to in Paragraph 1 and Annex 1 (together “**Records**”):
 - (a) in accordance with the requirements of The National Archives and Good Industry Practice;
 - (b) in chronological order;

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- (c) in a form that is capable of audit; and
 - (d) at its own expense.
- 3.2 The Supplier shall make the Records available for inspection to the Authority on request, subject to the Authority giving reasonable notice.
- 3.3 Where Records are retained in electronic form, the original metadata shall be preserved together with all subsequent metadata in a format reasonably accessible to the Authority.
- 3.4 The Supplier shall, during the Term and a period of at least 7 years following the expiry or termination of this Contract, maintain or cause to be maintained complete and accurate documents and records in relation to the provision of the Services including but not limited to all Records.
- 3.5 Records that contain financial information shall be retained and maintained in safe storage by the Supplier for a period of at least 7 years after the expiry or termination of this Contract.
- 3.6 Without prejudice to the foregoing, the Supplier shall provide the Authority:
 - (a) as soon as they are available, and in any event within 60 Working Days after the end of the first 6 months of each financial year of the Supplier during the Term, a copy, certified as a true copy by an authorised representative of the Supplier, of its un-audited interim accounts and, if applicable, of consolidated un-audited interim accounts of the Supplier and its Affiliates which would (if the Supplier were listed on the London Stock Exchange (whether or not it is)) be required to be sent to shareholders as at the end of and for each such 6 month period; and
 - (b) as soon as they shall have been sent to its shareholders in order to be laid before an annual general meeting of the Supplier, but not later than 130 Working Days after the end of each accounting reference period of the Supplier part or all of which falls during the Term, the Supplier's audited accounts and if applicable, of the consolidated audited accounts of the Supplier and its Affiliates in respect of that period together with copies of all related directors' and auditors' reports and all other notices/circulars to shareholders.

4 VIRTUAL LIBRARY

- 4.1 The Supplier shall, no later than eight (8) weeks prior to the Operational Services Commencement Date and without charge to the Authority, create a Virtual Library on which the Supplier shall (subject to any applicable legislation governing the use or processing of personal data) make information about this Contract available in accordance with the requirements outlined in this Schedule.

4.2 The Supplier shall ensure that the Virtual Library is:

- (a) capable of holding and allowing access to the information described in Annex 3 of this Schedule and includes full and accurate file details of all uploaded items including date and time of upload, version number and the name of the uploader;
- (b) structured so that each document uploaded has a unique identifier which is automatically assigned;
- (c) readily accessible by the Authority at all times in full via a user-friendly, password protected interface to such nominated users as are notified to the Supplier by the Authority from time to time,
- (d) structured so as to allow nominated users to download either specific documents or the complete Virtual Library (to the extent it has Access Permission) in bulk and store and view the content offline (on a regular and automated basis);
- (e) structured and maintained in accordance with the security requirements as set out in this Contract including those set out in Schedule 5 (Security Management);
- (f) created and based on open standards in Schedule 4 (Standards); and
- (g) backed up on a secure off-site system.

4.3 For the avoidance of doubt, the Virtual Library (excluding any Software used to host it) shall form a database which constitute Project Specific IPR which shall be assigned to the Authority pursuant to Paragraph 2.1 of **Schedule 32 (Intellectual Property Rights)** of this Contract.

4.4 The Supplier shall upload complete and accurate information specified in Annex 3 by the Initial Upload Date (except where prior to the launch of the Virtual Library in which case the date at which the Virtual Library is made available in accordance with Paragraph 4.1) onto Virtual Library in the format specified.

4.5 Upon any document being uploaded to the Virtual Library, and where the Authority has been granted Access Permission to that document, the Supplier shall email on the same date as the upload, a copy of the document to the nominated Authority email address at:

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4.6 Except for notices under Clause 42.4 or items covered by Clause 42.6, where the Supplier is under an obligation to provide information to the Authority in a provision under this Contract, then the Supplier's upload of that information onto the Virtual Library shall satisfy the Supplier's obligation to provide the Authority with that information provided that the Authority has access in accordance with this Paragraph 4 and the uploaded information meets the requirements more particularly specified in the relevant provision.

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- 4.7 Except to the extent that the requirements provide for earlier and more regular Authority access to up-to-date information, Annex 3 shall not take precedence over any other obligation to provide information in this Contract and the Supplier shall refer to the applicable clause for further details as to the requirement.
- 4.8 The Supplier shall provide each specified person (as set out in column 6 of the table at Annex 3) access to view and download the specified information in the Virtual Library in Annex 3 subject upon the occurrence of the event specified in the column marked Access Permission in Annex 3 to this Schedule.
- 4.9 Where Access Permission is not listed (in column 6 of the table at Annex 3) as being subject to the occurrence of a certain event the Supplier shall grant access to the person and information specified (in column 6 of the table at Annex 3) from the Initial Upload Date.
- 4.10 Where Access Permission is specified as being granted to the Authority's Third Party Auditor (prior to the Authority being granted access) it shall:
- (a) be entitled to access, view and download information specified in Annex 3 subject to it entering into a confidentiality agreement with the Supplier to keep the contents confidential (except to the extent disclosure of the confidential information is required under Paragraph 4.10(b) of this Schedule); and
 - (b) report to the Authority (at its request) as to the completeness and accuracy of the information but not the substance of the information.
- 4.11 The Supplier shall ensure that the Virtual Library retains in an accessible form all historic or superseded records of the information specified Annex 3. In order to maintain the integrity of the historic archive of the information and documentation and for the purposes of maintaining a clear audit trail, the Supplier shall not delete or overwrite any information that has been stored in the Virtual Library, except for the purposes of maintenance (provided no information is lost during maintenance) or to enable the Supplier to comply with Data Protection Legislation.
- 4.12 The Supplier warrants that the information uploaded to the Virtual Library is accurate, complete, up-to-date and in accordance with this Contract at the date of upload.
- 4.13 Where the Supplier becomes aware that any of the information provided on the Virtual Library is materially inaccurate, incomplete or out of date (other than in respect of historic versions of documents) the Supplier shall provide an update to the information within fourteen (14) days unless already due to be updated beforehand due to an Update Requirement specified in Annex 3.
- 4.14 In the event of a conflict between any requirement in this Contract (excluding Annex 3) for the Supplier to provide information to the Authority and the requirements set out in Annex 3 of this Schedule, the requirement elsewhere in this Contract shall prevail.

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- 4.15 The Supplier shall ensure that all approved users of the Virtual Library are alerted by email each time that information in the Virtual Library is uploaded or updated as it occurs.
- 4.16 No later than one (1) Month prior to the Operational Services Commencement Date, the Supplier shall provide training manuals to the Authority relating to the use of the Virtual Library.
- 4.17 On request by the Authority the Supplier shall provide the Authority's nominated users with a reasonable level of training and ongoing support to enable them to make use of the Virtual Library.
- 4.18 For the avoidance of doubt, the cost of any redactions, access restrictions or compliance with the Data Protection Legislation in respect of the information hosted on the Virtual Library shall be at the Supplier's own cost and expense.

ANNEX 1: TRANSPARENCY REPORTS

TITLE	CONTENT	FORMAT	FREQUENCY
Security Management Plan	Refer to Schedule 5, Annex 3	Refer to Schedule 5, Annex 3	Regular review and at least annually
Security certificates	Refer to Schedule 5	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	-
Supply Chain Transparency Report (ref. Sch 24)	Refer to Schedule 24 Annex 4	Using template provided – Refer to Schedule 24 Annex 4	Every 12 months – thirty days prior to the end of each Financial Year
Annual slavery and human trafficking report	Annual Slavery and human trafficking report for STEM Learning	To be agreed – as appropriate	Every 12 months
Template Invoice	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	Within 10 Working Days of the Effective Date and upon agreement by the Authority to vary the template
Impact Assessment Estimate	Refer to Schedule 22	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	Within 10 Working Days of date of receiving change request.
Impact Assessment	Refer to Schedule 22	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	Within the period agreed by the Impact Assessment Estimate and updated within

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TITLE	CONTENT	FORMAT	FREQUENCY
			10 Working Days of request by the Authority to update under Schedule 22 Para 5.4
Register of All Assets, Sub-contracts and Other Relevant Agreements	Refer to Schedule 25	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	Within 3 months of the Effective Date and updated upon any variation.
Authority Data (handback)	Refer to Schedule 25	Sch 25, Para 3 and/or as appropriate and agreed by the Authority	At the end of the Termination Assistance Period
Termination Services supporting documentation and knowledge transfer material	Refer to Schedule 25	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	As specified in the Termination Assistance Notice and in any event prior to the end of the Termination Assistance Period
Board Confirmation	Refer to Schedule 18, Para 8	Refer to Schedule 18, Annex 4	Within 120 days of the first Accounting Reference Date to occur and updated within 15 months of the previous Board Confirmation provided or within 120 days after each Accounting Reference Date (whichever is the earlier)

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TITLE	CONTENT	FORMAT	FREQUENCY
Information relating to the manner in which the services are organised	Refer to Schedule 28, Part E	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	Effective Date
List of Notified Sub-contractors	Refer to Schedule 28, Annex E1	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	Effective Date and updated upon any change

ANNEX 2: RECORDS TO BE KEPT BY THE SUPPLIER

The records to be kept by the Supplier are:

- 1** This Contract, its Schedules and all amendments to such documents.
- 2** All other documents which this Contract expressly requires to be prepared.
- 3** Records relating to the appointment and succession of the Supplier Representative and each member of the Key Personnel.
- 4** Notices, reports and other documentation submitted by any Expert.
- 5** All operation and maintenance manuals prepared by the Supplier for the purpose of maintaining the provision of the Services and the underlying IT Environment and Supplier Equipment.
- 6** Documents prepared by the Supplier or received by the Supplier from a third party relating to a Force Majeure Event.
- 7** All formal notices, reports or submissions made by the Supplier to the Authority Representative in connection with the provision of the Services.
- 8** All certificates, licences, registrations or warranties in each case obtained by the Supplier in relation to the provision of the Services.
- 9** Documents prepared by the Supplier in support of claims for the Charges.
- 10** Documents submitted by the Supplier pursuant to the Change Control Procedure.
- 11** Documents submitted by the Supplier pursuant to invocation by it or the Authority of the Dispute Resolution Procedure.
- 12** Documents evidencing any change in ownership or any interest in any or all of the shares in the Supplier and/or the Guarantor, where such change may cause a change of Control; and including documents detailing the identity of the persons changing such ownership or interest.
- 13** Invoices and records related to VAT sought to be recovered by the Supplier.
- 14** Financial records, including audited and un-audited accounts of the Guarantor and the Supplier.
- 15** Records required to be retained by the Supplier by Law, including in relation to health and safety matters and health and safety files and all consents.
- 16** All documents relating to the insurances to be maintained under this Contract and any claims made in respect of them.
- 17** All journals and audit trail data referred to in Schedule 5 (Security Management).

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- 18** All other records, notices or certificates required to be produced and/or maintained by the Supplier pursuant to this Contract.

ANNEX 3: RECORDS TO UPLOAD TO VIRTUAL LIBRARY

Applicable Clause/ Paragraph	Required Data	Format of Data	Initial Upload Date	Update Requirement	Access Permission and Access Event (where applicable)
CI.5.5 (e), (f), 5.8(b), Paragraph[s] 2.1(a) [and 2.2(a)(ii)]	Documentation	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	Within seven (7) days of the issue of a Milestone Achievement Certificate in respect of the relevant Deliverable.	-	Authority
CI 14.3	Key Personnel	Sch 29	Effective Date	On replacement of Key Personnel	Authority
Sch 3, Part B Para 2.3	Performance Monitoring Report and the Balanced Scorecard Report	Sch 3, Part B	Service Commencement	Within ten (10) Working Days of the end of each Service Period	Authority
[If using Part A – Security Assurance] Sch 5, Para 4.4	Security Management Plan	Sch 5, Annex 3	Within [20] Working Days of the date of the Contract	Regular review and at least annually	Authority

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Applicable Clause/ Paragraph	Required Data	Format of Data	Initial Upload Date	Update Requirement	Access Permission and Access Event (where applicable)
[If using Part A – Security Assurance] Sch 5, Para 6.1, 62 and 63	Security certificates	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	Prior to receiving, storing or processing any Authority Data	-	-
Sch 6 Para 4	Evidence of Insurances	Sch 6	Effective Date	Within fifteen (15) days after policy renewal or replacement	Authority
Sch 9	Commercially Sensitive Information	Sch 9	Effective Date	Upon Agreement by the Authority to vary the information	Authority and/or Auditor
CI 15.7	Notified Key Subcontractors	Sch 10	Effective Date	On replacement of key subcontractor	Authority
Sch 11, Para 1	Third Party Contracts	Sch 11	Effective Date	On appointment of subcontract	Authority
CI 15.6 and 15.7	Notified Key Sub-Contractors	Sch 10	Effective Date	With each approved appointment or variation	Authority

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Applicable Clause/ Paragraph	Required Data	Format of Data	Initial Upload Date	Update Requirement	Access Permission and Access Event (where applicable)
CI 15.28	Supply chain Transparency Reports	Sch 24, Annex 4	thirty days prior to the of the end of each financial year	Every twelve (12) months	Authority
CI 16 and Schedule 32 (Intellectual Property Rights)	Software	Sch 12 and Annex 1 to Schedule 32 (Intellectual Property Rights)	Operational Services Commencement Date	Upon Agreement by the Authority to vary the information	Authority
CI 6.4	Detailed Implementation Plan	Sch 13	Within 20 Working Days of Effective Date	Every 3 months from Effective Date	Authority
CI 33.8(h)	Annual slavery and human trafficking report	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	Within twelve (12) months	Every twelve (12) months	Authority
Sch 14, Para 4	Test Strategy	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	Within 20 Working Days of Effective Date	Upon update to the test strategy	Authority

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Applicable Clause/ Paragraph	Required Data	Format of Data	Initial Upload Date	Update Requirement	Access Permission and Access Event (where applicable)
Sch 14, Para 5	Test Plan	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	20 prior Working Days of relevant test	Upon update to the test plan	Authority
Sch 14, Para 8	Test Specification	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	10 prior Working Days of relevant test	Upon update to the test specification	Authority
Sch 14, Para 8	Test Report	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	2 Working Days prior to the date on which the test is planned to end for the Draft Test Report 5 days for the Final Test Report following the relevant test completion	Reissue with each retest	Authority
Sch 15, Part E Para 1.1	Template Invoice	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	Within 10 Working Days of the Effective Date	Upon Agreement by the Authority to vary the template	Authority

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Applicable Clause/ Paragraph	Required Data	Format of Data	Initial Upload Date	Update Requirement	Access Permission and Access Event (where applicable)
Sch 15, Annex 4	Risk Register	Sch15, Annex 4	Effective Date	Upon Agreement by the Authority to vary the by the Risk Management Board	Authority
Sch17, Para 4	Benchmarking Plan	Sch 17	Upon receipt from Benchmarker	Approval of Plan	Authority and Auditor
Sch 17, Para 5	Benchmarking report	Sch 17	Upon receipt from Benchmarker	Any update	Authority and Auditor
Sch 18, Para 2.3(b)	Financial Indicator Reports	Sch 18, Para 2.5.	As specified in Para 2.3(b) of Sch 18	As specified in Para 2.3(b) of Sch 18	Authority
Sch 18 Para 4.3(b)	Financial Distress Remediation Plan	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	As soon as reasonably practicable and in any event within 10 Working Days of initial notification or awareness of a Financial Distress Event	On a regular basis (not less than fortnightly)	Authority

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Applicable Clause/ Paragraph	Required Data	Format of Data	Initial Upload Date	Update Requirement	Access Permission and Access Event (where applicable)
Sch 19, Part B, Para 1.1	Contract Amendment Report	Sch 19 Part B, Para 1.2	Within 1 month of a material change being agreed	-	Authority
Sch 19, Para 1.1	Quarterly Contract Report	Sch 19, Part B, Para 1.2	Within 1 month of the end of each Quarter	-	Authority
Sch 19, Part B, para 1.1	Annual Contract Report	Sch 19, Part B, Para 1.2	Within 1 month of the end of the Contract Year to which that report relates	-	Authority
Sch 19, Part B, para 1.1	Financial Reconciliation Report	Sch 19, Part B, Para 1.2	Within 6 months after the end of the Term	-	Authority
Sch 21, Para 3.3	Representation and Structure of boards	Sch 21 Annex 1	Within 7 days of receipt of intention, or in the case of a non-Authority board member agreement by the Authority	-	Authority

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Applicable Clause/ Paragraph	Required Data	Format of Data	Initial Upload Date	Update Requirement	Access Permission and Access Event (where applicable)
Sch 21, Para 3.5(e)	Minutes of governance meetings (all boards)	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	Within 7 days of receipt from chairperson	-	Authority
Sch 22 Para 4.3	Impact Assessment Estimate	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	Within 10 Working Days of date of receiving change request.	-	Authority
Sch 22 Para 5	Impact Assessment	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	Within the period agreed by the Impact Assessment Estimate	Within 10 Working Days of request by the Authority to update under Schedule 22 Para 5.4	Authority
Sch 22, Para 6	Update full copy of the Agreement and copy of annotated version illustrating changes	PDF and MS Word (editable)	Signature of Variation Date	Any variation	Authority
Sch 22, Para 4	Change Request	Sch 22, Annex 1	Within 10 Working Days of Authority issuing the Change Request	-	Authority

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Applicable Clause/ Paragraph	Required Data	Format of Data	Initial Upload Date	Update Requirement	Access Permission and Access Event (where applicable)
Sch 23, Para 2.1	Dispute Notice	Sch 23 Para 2.2	No longer than 20 Working Days from an unresolved dispute arising	Any variation	Authority
Sch 23, Para 2.4	Mediation Notice	As appropriate	When first served	Any variation	Authority
Sch 24, Para 1	Reports and Records Provisions	Sch 24, Annex 1	Within 3 months of the Effective Date	Frequency specified in Sch 24, Annex 1	Authority
Sch 25, Para 2.1(a)	Register of All Assets, Sub-contracts and Other Relevant Agreements	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	Within 3 months of the Effective Date	Any variation	Authority
Sch 25, Para 2.1(b)	Configuration Database of Technical Infrastructure and Operating Procedures	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	Within 3 months of the Effective Date	Any variation	Authority
Sch 25, Para 3.1	Exit Information	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	On reasonable notice given by the Authority at any point during the Term	Within 10 Working Days of Authority's written request	Authority and its potential Replacement Suppliers

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Applicable Clause/ Paragraph	Required Data	Format of Data	Initial Upload Date	Update Requirement	Access Permission and Access Event (where applicable)
Sch 25, Para 5.1	Exit Plan	Sch 25, Para 5.3	Within 3 months of the Effective Date	In the first month of each contract year; and Within 14 days if requested by the Authority following a Financial Distress Event Within 20 days after service of Termination Notice or 6 months prior to expiry of the Contract	Authority
Sch 25, Para 6.3(e)	Provide up to date Registers during the Termination Assistance Period	As appropriate	As requested by the Authority	As appropriate	
Sch 25, Para 6.7(b)	Authority Data (handback)	Sch 25, Para 3 and/or as appropriate and agreed by the Authority	At the end of the Termination Assistance Period	-	Authority

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Applicable Clause/ Paragraph	Required Data	Format of Data	Initial Upload Date	Update Requirement	Access Permission and Access Event (where applicable)
Sch 25, Annex 1, Para 1.1, Para 1.2 Para 1.3 & Para 1.4	Termination Services supporting documentation and knowledge transfer material	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	As specified in the Termination Assistance Notice and in any event prior to the end of the Termination Assistance Period	As specified in the Termination Assistance Notice or otherwise requested by the Authority	-
Sch 26 Service Continuity	Service Continuity Plan	Sch 26, Para 2.2	Within 40 Working Days from the Effective Date	Sch 26, Para 7.1	Authority
Sch 26, Para 7.2	Service Continuity Plan Review Report	Sch 26, Para 6.2	Within 20 Working Days of the conclusion of each review of the Service Continuity Plan.	-	-
Sch 26, Part B	Corporate Resolution Planning Information	Sch 26 Part B, Para 2.3	Sch 26 Part B Para 2.2	Sch 26 Para 11.8	Authority
Sch 18 Para 8	Board Confirmation	As set out at Annex 4 of Sch 18	Within 120 days of the first Accounting	Within 15 months of the previous Board Confirmation provided or within 120 days after	Authority

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Applicable Clause/ Paragraph	Required Data	Format of Data	Initial Upload Date	Update Requirement	Access Permission and Access Event (where applicable)
			Reference Date to occur	each Accounting Reference Date (whichever is the earlier)	
Sch 28, Part E, Para 1.1	Supplier's Provisional Supplier Personnel List and, Staffing Information	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	Sch 28, Para 1.1(a) - (d)	At such intervals as are reasonably requested by the Authority	Authority
Sch 28, Part E, Para 1.2	Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	At least 20 Working Days prior to the Service Transfer Date	Upon any material change to the list of employees	Authority and, at the discretion of the Authority, the Replacement Supplier and/or any Replacement Subcontractor
Sch 28, Part E, Para 1.6	Information relating to the manner in which the services are organised	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	Effective Date	-	Authority

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Applicable Clause/ Paragraph	Required Data	Format of Data	Initial Upload Date	Update Requirement	Access Permission and Access Event (where applicable)
Sch 28, Part E, Para 1.7	Payroll and benefits information	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	Within 5 Working Days following the Service Transfer Date	-	Authority, any Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Sub-contractor
Sch 28, Annex E1	List of Notified Sub-contractors	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	Effective Date	Upon any change	Authority
Sch 29	Key Personnel	Sch 29	Effective Date	As amended from time to time	Authority
Sch 31, Annex 1 Para 2.1	Reports on Data Subject Access Requests	As appropriate and agreed by the Authority	As agreed with Authority	As agreed with Authority	Authority and Supplier

ANNEX 4: SUPPLY CHAIN TRANSPARENCY INFORMATION TEMPLATE

	(STEM Learning) Financial Year 2023 (August '23 - July '24)			
	Under this Contract		Supplier as a whole	
	£	%	£	%
Estimated total contract revenue (£) to be received in this Financial Year	Up to [REDACTED] final cContract value, [REDACTED] Grant Funding	100%	[REDACTED] based on contract income projection in business plan inclusive of NCCE 2 (but excludes grant and non-contract income)	[REDACTED]
Total value of Sub-contracted revenues (£) in this Financial Year	£0 to be confirmed	[]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Total value of Sub-contracted revenues to SMEs (£) in this Financial Year	£0 to be confirmed	[]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Total value of Sub-contracted revenues to VCSEs (£) in this Financial Year	£0 None expected	[]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

SCHEDULE 25

EXIT MANAGEMENT

Schedule 25 (*Exit Management*)

1 DEFINITIONS

1.1 In this Schedule, the following definitions shall apply:

“Emergency Exit”	any termination of this Contract which is a: <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) termination of the whole or part of this Contract in accordance with Clause 31 (<i>Termination Rights</i>), except where the period of notice given under that Clause is greater than or equal to 6 months;(b) termination of the provision of the Services for any reason prior to the expiry of any period of notice of termination served pursuant to Clause 31 (<i>Termination Rights</i>); or(c) wrongful termination or repudiation of this Contract by either Party;
“Ethical Wall Agreement”	an ethical wall agreement in a form similar to the draft ethical wall agreement set out at Annex 2;
“Exclusive Assets”	those Assets used by the Supplier or a Key Sub-contractor which are used exclusively in the provision of the Services;
“Exit Information”	has the meaning given in Paragraph 3.1;
“Exit Manager”	the person appointed by each Party pursuant to Paragraph 2.3 for managing the Parties' respective obligations under this Schedule;
“Net Book Value”	the net book value of the relevant Asset(s) calculated in accordance with the depreciation policy of the Supplier set out in the letter in the agreed form from the Supplier to the Authority of the same date as this Contract;
“Non-Exclusive Assets”	those Assets (if any) which are used by the Supplier or a Key Sub-contractor in connection with the Services but which are also used by the Supplier or Key Sub-contractor for other purposes of material value;

“Ordinary Exit”	any termination of the whole or any part of this Contract which occurs: <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) pursuant to Clause 31 (<i>Termination Rights</i>) where the period of notice given by the Party serving notice to terminate pursuant to such Clause is greater than or equal to 6 months; or(b) as a result of the expiry of the Initial Term or any Extension Period;
“Transferable Assets”	those of the Exclusive Assets which are capable of legal transfer to the Authority;
“Transferable Contracts”	the Sub-contracts, licences for Supplier's Software, licences for Third Party Software or other agreements which are necessary to enable the Authority or any Replacement Supplier to perform the Services or the Replacement Services, including in relation to licences all relevant Documentation; and
“Transferring Contracts”	has the meaning given in Paragraph 7.2(b)..

2 OBLIGATIONS DURING THE TERM TO FACILITATE EXIT

2.1 During the Term, the Supplier shall:

- (a) create and maintain a register of all:
 - (i) Assets, detailing their:
 - (A) make, model and asset number;
 - (B) ownership and status as either Exclusive Assets or Non-Exclusive Assets;
 - (C) Net Book Value;
 - (D) condition and physical location; and
 - (E) use (including technical specifications); and
 - (ii) Sub-contracts and other relevant agreements (including relevant software licences, maintenance and support agreements and equipment rental and lease agreements) required for the performance of the Services;
- (b) create and maintain a configuration database detailing the technical infrastructure and operating procedures through which the Supplier provides the Services, which shall contain sufficient detail to permit

the Authority and/or Replacement Supplier to understand how the Supplier provides the Services and to enable the smooth transition of the Services with the minimum of disruption;

- (c) agree the format of the Registers with the Authority as part of the process of agreeing the Exit Plan; and
 - (d) at all times keep the Registers up to date, in particular in the event that Assets, Sub-contracts or other relevant agreements are added to or removed from the Services.
- 2.2 The Supplier shall procure that all Exclusive Assets listed in the Registers are clearly marked to identify that they are exclusively used for the provision of the Services under this Contract.
- 2.3 Each Party shall appoint a person for the purposes of managing the Parties' respective obligations under this Schedule and provide written notification of such appointment to the other Party within 3 months of the Effective Date. The Supplier's Exit Manager shall be responsible for ensuring that the Supplier and its employees, agents and Sub-contractors comply with this Schedule. The Supplier shall ensure that its Exit Manager has the requisite authority to arrange and procure any resources of the Supplier as are reasonably necessary to enable the Supplier to comply with the requirements set out in this Schedule. The Parties' Exit Managers will liaise with one another in relation to all issues relevant to the termination of this Contract and all matters connected with this Schedule and each Party's compliance with it.

3 OBLIGATIONS TO ASSIST ON RE-TENDERING OF SERVICES

- 3.1 On reasonable notice at any point during the Term, the Supplier shall provide to the Authority and/or its potential Replacement Suppliers (subject to the potential Replacement Suppliers entering into reasonable written confidentiality undertakings), the following material and information in order to facilitate the preparation by the Authority of any invitation to tender and/or to facilitate any potential Replacement Suppliers undertaking due diligence:
- (a) details of the Service(s);
 - (b) a copy of the Registers, updated by the Supplier up to the date of delivery of such Registers;
 - (c) an inventory of Authority Data in the Supplier's possession or control;
 - (d) details of any key terms of any third party contracts and licences, particularly as regards charges, termination, assignment and novation;
 - (e) a list of on-going and/or threatened disputes in relation to the provision of the Services;
 - (f) to the extent permitted by applicable Law, all information relating to Transferring Supplier Employees required to be provided by the Supplier under this Contract; and

- (g) such other material and information as the Authority shall reasonably require,
- (together, the “**Exit Information**”).
- 3.2 The Supplier acknowledges that the Authority may disclose the Supplier's Confidential Information to an actual or prospective Replacement Supplier or any third party whom the Authority is considering engaging to the extent that such disclosure is necessary in connection with such engagement (except that the Authority may not under this Paragraph 3.2 disclose any Supplier's Confidential Information which is information relating to the Supplier's or its Sub-contractors' prices or costs).
- 3.3 The Supplier shall:
 - (a) notify the Authority within 5 Working Days of any material change to the Exit Information which may adversely impact upon the potential transfer and/or continuance of any Services and shall consult with the Authority regarding such proposed material changes; and
 - (b) provide complete updates of the Exit Information on an as-requested basis as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event within 10 Working Days of a request in writing from the Authority.
- 3.4 The Supplier may charge the Authority for its reasonable additional costs to the extent the Authority requests more than 4 updates in any 6 month period.
- 3.5 The Exit Information shall be accurate and complete in all material respects and the level of detail to be provided by the Supplier shall be such as would be reasonably necessary to enable a third party to:
 - (a) prepare an informed offer for those Services; and
 - (b) not be disadvantaged in any subsequent procurement process compared to the Supplier (if the Supplier is invited to participate).
- 4 OBLIGATION TO ENTER INTO AN ETHICAL WALL AGREEMENT ON RE-TENDERING OF SERVICES**
- 4.1 The Authority may require the Supplier to enter into the Ethical Wall Agreement at any point during a re-tendering or contemplated re-tendering of the Services or any part of the Services.
- 4.2 If required to enter into the Ethical Wall Agreement, the Supplier will return a signed copy of the Ethical Wall Agreement within 10 Working Days of receipt. The Supplier's costs of entering into the Ethical Wall Agreement will be borne solely by the Supplier.

5 EXIT PLAN

- 5.1 The Supplier shall, within 3 months after the Effective Date, deliver to the Authority an Exit Plan which:
- (a) sets out the Supplier's proposed methodology for achieving an orderly transition of the relevant Services from the Supplier to the Authority and/or its Replacement Supplier on the Partial Termination, expiry or termination of this Contract;
 - (b) complies with the requirements set out in Paragraph 5.2; and
 - (c) is otherwise reasonably satisfactory to the Authority.
- 5.2 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 20 Working Days of its submission, then such Dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure.
- 5.3 The Exit Plan shall set out, as a minimum:
- (a) how the Exit Information is obtained;
 - (b) separate mechanisms for dealing with Ordinary Exit and Emergency Exit, the provisions relating to Emergency Exit being prepared on the assumption that the Supplier may be unable to provide the full level of assistance which is required by the provisions relating to Ordinary Exit, and in the case of Emergency Exit, provision for the supply by the Supplier of all such reasonable assistance as the Authority shall require to enable the Authority or its sub-contractors to provide the Services;
 - (c) a mechanism for dealing with Partial Termination on the assumption that the Supplier will continue to provide the remaining Services under this Contract;
 - (d) the management structure to be employed during both transfer and cessation of the Services in an Ordinary Exit and an Emergency Exit;
 - (e) the management structure to be employed during the Termination Assistance Period;
 - (f) a detailed description of both the transfer and cessation processes, including a timetable, applicable in the case of an Ordinary Exit and an Emergency Exit;
 - (g) how the Services will transfer to the Replacement Supplier and/or the Authority, including details of the processes, documentation, data transfer, systems migration, security and the segregation of the Authority's technology components from any technology components operated by the Supplier or its Sub-contractors (where applicable);

- (h) the scope of the Termination Services that may be required for the benefit of the Authority (including such of the services set out in Annex 1 as are applicable);
 - (i) a timetable and critical issues for providing the Termination Services;
 - (j) any charges that would be payable for the provision of the Termination Services (calculated in accordance with the methodology that would apply if such Services were being treated as a Contract Change), together with a capped estimate of such charges;
 - (k) how the Termination Services would be provided (if required) during the Termination Assistance Period;
 - (l) procedures to deal with requests made by the Authority and/or a Replacement Supplier for Staffing Information pursuant to Schedule 28 (Staff Transfer); and
 - (m) how each of the issues set out in this Schedule will be addressed to facilitate the transition of the Services from the Supplier to the Replacement Supplier and/or the Authority with the aim of ensuring that there is no disruption to or degradation of the Services during the Termination Assistance Period.
- 5.4 The Parties acknowledge that the migration of the Services from the Supplier to the Authority and/or its Replacement Supplier may be phased, such that certain of the Services are handed over before others.
- 5.5 The Supplier shall review and (if appropriate) update the Exit Plan on a basis consistent with the principles set out in this Schedule in the first month of each Contract Year (commencing with the second Contract Year) and if requested by the Authority following the occurrence of a Financial Distress Event, within 14 days of such request, to reflect any changes in the Services that have occurred since the Exit Plan was last agreed. Following such update, the Supplier shall submit the revised Exit Plan to the Authority for review. Within 20 Working Days following submission of the revised Exit Plan, the Parties shall meet and use reasonable endeavours to agree the contents of the revised Exit Plan. If the Parties are unable to agree the contents of the revised Exit Plan within that 20 Working Day period, such dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure.

Finalisation of the Exit Plan

- 5.6 Within 20 Working Days after service of a Termination Notice by either Party or 6 months prior to the expiry of this Contract, the Supplier will submit for the Authority's approval the Exit Plan in a final form that could be implemented immediately. The final form of the Exit Plan shall be prepared on a basis consistent with the principles set out in this Schedule and shall reflect any changes in the Services that have occurred since the Exit Plan was last agreed.
- 5.7 The Parties will meet and use their respective reasonable endeavours to agree the contents of the final form of the Exit Plan. If the Parties are unable to agree the contents of the Exit Plan within 20 Working Days following its delivery to the

Authority then such Dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure. Until the agreement of the final form of the Exit Plan, the Supplier shall provide the Termination Services in accordance with the principles set out in this Schedule and the last approved version of the Exit Plan (insofar as relevant).

6 TERMINATION SERVICES

Notification of Requirements for Termination Services

6.1 The Authority shall be entitled to require the provision of Termination Services at any time during the Term by giving written notice to the Supplier (a “**Termination Assistance Notice**”) at least 4 months prior to the date of termination or expiry of this Contract or as soon as reasonably practicable (but in any event, not later than 1 month) following the service by either Party of a Termination Notice. The Termination Assistance Notice shall specify:

- (a) the date from which Termination Services are required;
- (b) the nature of the Termination Services required; and
- (c) the period during which it is anticipated that Termination Services will be required, which shall continue no longer than 24 months after the expiry of the Initial Term or any Extension Period or earlier termination of this Contract;

6.2 The Authority shall have:

- (a) at its sole discretion the option to extend the period of assistance beyond the period specified in the Termination Assistance Notice provided that such extension shall not extend the Termination Assistance period beyond the date which is 30 months after expiry of the Initial Term or any Extension Period or earlier termination of this Contract ;and provided that it shall notify the Supplier to such effect no later than 20 Working Days prior to the date on which the provision of Termination Services is otherwise due to expire; and
- (b) the right to terminate its requirement for Termination Services by serving not less than 20 Working Days' written notice upon the Supplier to such effect.

Termination Assistance Period

6.3 Throughout the Termination Assistance Period, or such shorter period as the Authority may require, the Supplier shall:

- (a) continue to provide the Services (as applicable) and, if required by the Authority pursuant to Paragraph 6.1, provide the Termination Services;
- (b) in addition to providing the Services and the Termination Services, provide to the Authority any reasonable assistance requested by the Authority to allow the Services to continue without interruption following the Partial Termination, termination or expiry of this Contract and

to facilitate the orderly transfer of responsibility for and conduct of the Services to the Authority and/or its Replacement Supplier;

- (c) use all reasonable endeavours to reallocate resources to provide such assistance as is referred to in Paragraph 6.3(b) without additional costs to the Authority;
 - (d) provide the Services and the Termination Services at no detriment to the Target Performance Levels, save to the extent that the Parties agree otherwise in accordance with Paragraph 6.5; and
 - (e) at the Authority's request and on reasonable notice, deliver up-to-date Registers to the Authority.
- 6.4 Without prejudice to the Supplier's obligations under Paragraph 6.3(c), if it is not possible for the Supplier to reallocate resources to provide such assistance as is referred to in Paragraph 6.3(b) without additional costs to the Authority, any additional costs incurred by the Supplier in providing such reasonable assistance which is not already in the scope of the Termination Services or the Exit Plan shall be subject to the Change Control Procedure.
- 6.5 If the Supplier demonstrates to the Authority's reasonable satisfaction that transition of the Services and provision of the Termination Services during the Termination Assistance Period will have a material, unavoidable adverse effect on the Supplier's ability to meet one or more particular Target Performance Level(s), the Parties shall vary the relevant Target Performance Level(s) and/or the applicable Service Credits to take account of such adverse effect.

Termination Obligations

- 6.6 The Supplier shall comply with all of its obligations contained in the Exit Plan in respect of any Partial Termination or termination.
- 6.7 Upon termination or expiry (as the case may be) or at the end of the Termination Assistance Period (or earlier if this does not adversely affect the Supplier's performance of the Services and the Termination Services and its compliance with the other provisions of this Schedule) in respect of the Services that have been terminated, the Supplier shall:
- (a) cease to use the Authority Data;
 - (b) provide the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier with a complete and uncorrupted version of the Authority Data in electronic form (or such other format as reasonably required by the Authority);
 - (c) erase from any computers, storage devices and storage media that are to be retained by the Supplier after the end of the Termination Assistance Period all Authority Data and promptly certify to the Authority that it has completed such deletion;

- (d) return to the Authority such of the following as is in the Supplier's possession or control:
 - (i) all copies of the Authority Software and any other software licensed by the Authority to the Supplier under this Contract;
 - (ii) all materials created by the Supplier under this Contract in which the IPRs are owned by the Authority;
 - (iii) any parts of the IT Environment and any other equipment which belongs to the Authority; and
 - (iv) any items that have been on-charged to the Authority, such as consumables;
 - (e) vacate any Authority Premises unless access is required to continue to deliver the Services;
 - (f) provide access during normal working hours to the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier for up to 12 months after the Partial Termination, expiry or termination of this Contract to:
 - (i) such information relating to the Services as remains in the possession or control of the Supplier; and
 - (ii) such members of the Supplier Personnel as have been involved in the design, development and provision of the Services and who are still employed by the Supplier, provided that the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier shall pay the reasonable costs of the Supplier actually incurred in responding to requests for access under this Paragraph 6.7(f)(ii).
- 6.8 Upon Partial Termination, termination or expiry (as the case may be) or at the end of the Termination Assistance Period (or earlier if this does not adversely affect the Supplier's performance of the Services and the Termination Services and its compliance with the other provisions of this Schedule), each Party shall return to the other Party (or if requested, destroy or delete) all Confidential Information of the other Party in respect of the terminated Services and shall certify that it does not retain the other Party's Confidential Information save to the extent (and for the limited period) that such information needs to be retained by the Party in question for the purposes of providing or receiving any Services or Termination Services or for statutory compliance purposes.
- 6.9 Except where this Contract provides otherwise, all licences, leases and authorisations granted by the Authority to the Supplier in relation to the terminated Services shall be terminated with effect from the end of the Termination Assistance Period.

7 ASSETS, SUB-CONTRACTS AND SOFTWARE

7.1 Following notice of termination or Partial Termination of this Contract and during the Termination Assistance Period, the Supplier shall not, in respect of the terminated Services, without the Authority's prior written consent:

- (a) terminate, enter into or vary any Sub-contract except to the extent that such change does not or will not affect the provision of Services or the Charges;
- (b) (subject to normal maintenance requirements) make material modifications to, or dispose of, any existing Assets or acquire any new Assets; or
- (c) terminate, enter into or vary any licence for software in connection with the Services.

7.2 Within 20 Working Days of receipt of the up-to-date Registers provided by the Supplier pursuant to Paragraph 6.3(e), the Authority shall provide written notice to the Supplier setting out:

- (a) which, if any, of the Transferable Assets the Authority requires to be transferred to the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier in respect of the terminated Services ("**Transferring Assets**");
 - (i) which, if any, of:
 - (A) the Exclusive Assets that are not Transferable Assets; and
 - (B) the Non-Exclusive Assets,

the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier requires the continued use of; and
- (b) which, if any, of Transferable Contracts the Authority requires to be assigned or novated to the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier (the "**Transferring Contracts**"),

in order for the Authority and/or its Replacement Supplier to provide the Services from the expiry of the Termination Assistance Period. Where requested by the Authority and/or its Replacement Supplier, the Supplier shall provide all reasonable assistance to the Authority and/or its Replacement Supplier to enable it to determine which Transferable Assets and Transferable Contracts the Authority and/or its Replacement Supplier requires to provide the Services or Replacement Services. Where requested by the Supplier, the Authority and/or its Replacement Supplier shall discuss in good faith with the Supplier which Transferable Contracts are used by the Supplier in matters unconnected to the Services or Replacement Services.

- 7.3 With effect from the expiry of the Termination Assistance Period, the Supplier shall sell the Transferring Assets to the Authority and/or its nominated Replacement Supplier for a consideration equal to their Net Book Value, except where:
- (a) a Termination Payment is payable by the Authority to the Supplier, in which case, payment for such Assets shall be included within the Termination Payment; or
 - (b) the cost of the Transferring Asset has been partially or fully paid for through the Charges at the time of expiry or termination of this Contract, in which case the Authority shall pay the Supplier the Net Book Value of the Transferring Asset less the amount already paid through the Charges.
- 7.4 Risk in the Transferring Assets shall pass to the Authority or the Replacement Supplier (as appropriate) at the end of the Termination Assistance Period and title to the Transferring Assets shall pass to the Authority or the Replacement Supplier (as appropriate) on payment for the same.
- 7.5 Where the Supplier is notified in accordance with Paragraph 7.2(b) that the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier requires continued use of any Exclusive Assets that are not Transferable Assets or any Non-Exclusive Assets, the Supplier shall as soon as reasonably practicable:
- (a) procure a non-exclusive, perpetual, royalty-free licence (or licence on such other terms that have been agreed by the Authority) for the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier to use such assets (with a right of sub-licence or assignment on the same terms); or failing which
 - (b) procure a suitable alternative to such assets and the Authority or the Replacement Supplier shall bear the reasonable proven costs of procuring the same.
- 7.6 The Supplier shall as soon as reasonably practicable assign or procure the novation to the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier of the Transferring Contracts. The Supplier shall execute such documents and provide such other assistance as the Authority reasonably requires to effect this novation or assignment.
- 7.7 The Authority shall:
- (a) accept assignments from the Supplier or join with the Supplier in procuring a novation of each Transferring Contract; and
 - (b) once a Transferring Contract is novated or assigned to the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier, carry out, perform and 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 Supplier does the same.

- 7.8 The Supplier shall hold any Transferring Contracts on trust for the Authority until such time as the transfer of the relevant Transferring Contract to the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier has been effected.
- 7.9 The Supplier shall indemnify the Authority (and/or the Replacement Supplier, 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 Authority (and/or Replacement Supplier) pursuant to Paragraph 7.6 both:
- (a) in relation to any matters arising prior to the date of assignment or novation of such Sub-contract; and
 - (b) in relation to any matters arising after the date of assignment or novation of such Sub-contract where the loss, liability or cost arises as a result of the Supplier's failure to comply with Clause 16 (*Intellectual Property Rights*) and/or **Schedule 32 (Intellectual Property Rights)**.

8 SUPPLIER PERSONNEL

- 8.1 The Authority and Supplier agree and acknowledge that in the event of the Supplier ceasing to provide the Services or part of them for any reason, Schedule 28 (Staff Transfer) shall apply.
- 8.2 The Supplier shall not take any step (expressly or implicitly or directly or indirectly by itself or through any other person) to dissuade or discourage any employees engaged in the provision of the Services from transferring their employment to the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier.
- 8.3 During the Termination Assistance Period, the Supplier shall give the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier reasonable access to the Supplier's personnel to present the case for transferring their employment to the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier.
- 8.4 The Supplier shall immediately notify the Authority or, at the direction of the Authority, the Replacement Supplier of any period of notice given by the Supplier or received from any person referred to in the Staffing Information, regardless of when such notice takes effect.
- 8.5 The Supplier shall not for a period of 12 months from the date of transfer re-employ or re-engage or entice any employees, suppliers or Sub-contractors whose employment or engagement is transferred to the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier, except that this Paragraph shall not apply where the employee, supplier or Sub-contractor applies in response to a public advertisement of a vacancy.

9 CHARGES

- 9.1 During the Termination Assistance Period (or for such shorter period as the Authority may require the Supplier to provide the Termination Services), the Authority shall pay the Charges to the Supplier in respect of the Termination Services in accordance with the rates set out in the Exit Plan (but shall not be required to pay costs in excess of the estimate set out in the Exit Plan). If the

scope or timing of the Termination Services is changed and this results in a change to the costs of such Termination Services, the estimate may be varied in accordance with the Change Control Procedure.

9.2 Where the Authority requests an extension to the Termination Services beyond the Termination Assistance Period in accordance with Paragraph 6.2:

- (a) where more than 6 months' notice is provided, the same rate as set out in the Exit Plan (or the Charges when not stated in the Exit Plan) shall be payable; and
- (b) where less than 6 months' notice is provided, no more than [1.2] times the rate as set out in the Exit Plan (or the Charges when not stated in the Exit Plan) shall be payable.

9.3 For the purpose of calculating the costs of providing the Termination Services for inclusion in the Exit Plan or, if no Exit Plan has been agreed, the costs of providing Termination Services shall be determined in accordance with the Change Control Procedure.

9.4 Except as otherwise expressly specified in this Contract, the Supplier shall not make any charges for the services provided by the Supplier pursuant to, and the Authority shall not be obliged to pay for costs incurred by the Supplier in relation to its compliance with, this Schedule including the preparation and implementation of the Exit Plan and any activities mutually agreed between the Parties to carry on after the expiry of the Termination Assistance Period.

10 APPORTIONMENTS

10.1 All outgoings and expenses (including any remuneration due) and all rents, royalties and other periodical payments receivable in respect of the Transferring Assets and Transferring Contracts shall be apportioned between the Authority and the Supplier and/or the Replacement Supplier and the Supplier (as applicable) as follows:

- (a) the amounts shall be annualised and divided by 365 to reach a daily rate;
- (b) the Authority shall be responsible for (or shall procure that the Replacement Supplier 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
- (c) the Supplier shall be responsible for or entitled to (as the case may be) the rest of the invoice.

10.2 Each Party shall pay (and/or the Authority shall procure that the Replacement Supplier shall pay) any monies due under Paragraph 10.1 as soon as reasonably practicable.

ANNEX 1: SCOPE OF THE TERMINATION SERVICES

1.1 The Termination Services to be provided by the Supplier shall include such of the following services as the Authority may specify:

- (a) ceasing all non-critical Software changes (except where agreed in writing with the Authority);
- (b) notifying the Sub-contractors of procedures to be followed during the Termination Assistance Period and providing management to ensure these procedures are followed;
- (c) providing assistance and expertise as necessary to examine all operational and business processes (including all supporting documentation) in place and re-writing and implementing processes and procedures such that they are appropriate for use by the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier after the end of the Termination Assistance Period;
- (d) delivering to the Authority the existing systems support profiles, monitoring or system logs, problem tracking/resolution documentation and status reports all relating to the 12 month period immediately prior to the commencement of the Termination Services;
- (e) providing details of work volumes and staffing requirements over the 12 month period immediately prior to the commencement of the Termination Services;
- (f) with respect to work in progress as at the end of the Termination Assistance Period, documenting the current status and stabilising for continuity during transition;
- (g) providing the Authority with any problem logs which have not previously been provided to the Authority;
- (h) providing assistance and expertise as necessary to examine all governance and reports in place for the provision of the Services and re-writing and implementing these during and for a period of 12 months after the Termination Assistance Period;
- (i) providing assistance and expertise as necessary to examine all relevant roles and responsibilities in place for the provision of the Services and re-writing and implementing these such that they are appropriate for the continuation of the Services after the Termination Assistance Period;
- (j) agreeing with the Authority an effective communication strategy and joint communications plan which sets out the implications for Supplier Personnel, Authority staff, customers and key stakeholders;

- (k) reviewing all Software libraries used in connection with the Services and providing details of these to the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier;
- (l) providing assistance and expertise as necessary to support the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier develop the migration plan for business operations and Authority Data to the Replacement Supplier, which may include migration approach, testing of plans, contingency options, and handling of historic or archived Authority Data;
- (m) provide all necessary support, equipment, tools, and Software such as data migration services and/or Automated Programming Interfaces, in order to enable and support the execution of the migration plan by the Authority and/or Replacement Supplier;
- (n) making available to the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier expertise to analyse training requirements and provide all necessary training for the use of tools by such staff as are nominated by the Authority (acting reasonably) at the time of termination or expiry;
- (o) assisting in establishing naming conventions for any new production site;
- (p) analysing and providing information about capacity and performance requirements, processor requirements and bandwidth requirements, and known planned requirements for capacity growth across these areas;
- (q) generating a computer listing of the Source Code Listed in Annex 1 of Schedule 32 (Intellectual Property Rights) in a form and on media reasonably requested by the Authority;
- (r) agreeing with the Authority a handover plan for all of the Supplier's responsibilities as set out in the Security Management Plan;
- (s) delivering copies of the production databases (with content listings) to the Authority's and/or the Replacement Supplier's operations staff (on appropriate media) as reasonably requested by the Authority;
- (t) assisting with the loading, testing and implementation of the production databases;
- (u) assisting in the execution of a parallel operation until the effective date of expiry or termination of this Contract;
- (v) in respect of the maintenance and support of the Supplier System, providing historical performance data for the Term;
- (w) assisting in the execution of a parallel operation of the maintenance and support of the Supplier System until the end of the Termination Assistance Period or as otherwise specified by the Authority (provided that these Services shall end on a date no later than the end of the Termination Assistance Period);

- (x) providing an information pack listing and describing the Services for use by the Authority in the procurement of the Replacement Services;
- (y) answering all reasonable questions from the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier regarding the Services;
- (z) agreeing with the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier a plan for the migration of the Authority Data to the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier;
- (aa) providing access to the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier during the Termination Assistance Period and for a period not exceeding 6 months afterwards for the purpose of the smooth transfer of the Services to the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier:
 - (i) to information and documentation relating to the Transferring Services that is in the possession or control of the Supplier or its Sub-contractors (and the Supplier agrees and shall procure that its Sub-contractors do not destroy or dispose of that information within this period) including the right to take reasonable copies of that material; and
 - (ii) following reasonable notice and during the Supplier's normal business hours, to members of the Supplier Personnel who have been involved in the provision or management of the Services and who are still employed or engaged by the Supplier or its Sub-contractors; and
- (bb) knowledge transfer services, including:
 - (i) transferring all training material and providing appropriate training to those Authority and/or Replacement Supplier staff responsible for internal training in connection with the provision of the Services;
 - (ii) providing for transfer to the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier of all knowledge reasonably required for the provision of the Services which may, as appropriate, include information, records and documents;
 - (iii) providing the Supplier and/or the Replacement Supplier with access to such members of the Supplier's or its Sub-contractors' personnel as have been involved in the design, development, provision or management of the Services and who are still employed or engaged by the Supplier or its Sub-contractors; and
 - (iv) allowing the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier to work alongside and observe the performance of the Services by the Supplier at its Sites used to fulfil the Services (subject to compliance by the Authority and the Replacement Supplier

with any applicable security and/or health and safety restrictions,

and any such person who is provided with such knowledge transfer services will sign a confidentiality undertaking in favour of the Supplier (in such form as the Supplier shall reasonably require)).

1.2 The Supplier shall:

- (a) provide a documented plan relating to the training matters referred to in Paragraph 22.1(n) for agreement by the Authority at the time of termination or expiry of this Contract;
- (b) co-operate fully in the execution of the handover plan agreed pursuant to Paragraph 22.1(r), providing skills and expertise of a suitable standard; and
- (c) fully co-operate in the execution of the Authority Data migration plan agreed pursuant to Paragraph 22.1(z), providing skills and expertise of a reasonably acceptable standard.

1.3 To facilitate the transfer of knowledge from the Supplier to the Authority and/or its Replacement Supplier, the Supplier shall provide a detailed explanation of the procedures and operations used to provide the Services, the change management process and other standards and procedures to the operations personnel of the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier.

1.4 The information which the Supplier shall provide to the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier pursuant to Paragraph 22.1(aa) 22.1(z) shall include:

- (a) copies of up-to-date procedures and operations manuals;
- (b) product information;
- (c) agreements with third party suppliers of goods and services which are to be transferred to the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier;
- (d) key support contact details for third party supplier personnel under contracts which are to be assigned or novated to the Authority pursuant to this Schedule;
- (e) information regarding any unresolved faults in progress at the commencement of the Termination Assistance Period as well as those expected to be in progress at the end of the Termination Assistance Period;
- (f) details of physical and logical security processes and tools which will be available to the Authority; and
- (g) any relevant interface information,

and such information shall be updated by the Supplier at the end of the Termination Assistance Period.

Schedule 25 (Exit Management)

- 1.5 During the Termination Assistance Period the Supplier shall grant any agent or personnel (including employees, consultants and Suppliers) of the Replacement Supplier and/or the Authority access, during business hours and upon reasonable prior written notice, to any Sites for the purpose of effecting a prompt knowledge transfer provided that:
- (a) any such agent or personnel (including employees, consultants and suppliers) having access to any Sites pursuant to this Paragraph 22.5 shall:
 - (i) sign a confidentiality undertaking in favour of the Supplier (in such form as the Supplier shall reasonably require); and
 - (ii) during each period of access comply with the security, systems and facilities operating procedures of the Supplier relevant to such Site and that the Authority deems reasonable; and
 - (b) the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier shall pay the reasonable, proven and proper costs of the Supplier incurred in facilitating such access.

ANNEX 2: DRAFT ETHICAL WALL AGREEMENT

[THE AUTHORITY]

and

[THE COUNTERPARTY]

ETHICAL WALL AGREEMENT

This Agreement is dated [] 20[] (the "Effective Date").

Between:

- (1) **[INSERT NAME OF AUTHORITY]** (the "**Authority**") [acting on behalf of the Crown] of [insert Authority's address]; and
- (2) **[NAME OF COUNTERPARTY]** a [company]/[limited liability partnership] registered in England and Wales under registered number [insert registered number] whose registered office is at [insert Counterparty's registered address] (the "**Counterparty**"),

together the "**Parties**" and each a "**Party**".

BACKGROUND

- A. The Authority is obliged to ensure transparency, fairness, non-discrimination and equal treatment in relation to its procurement process pursuant to the Procurement Regulations (defined below). The purpose of this document ("**Agreement**") is to define the protocols to be followed to prevent, identify and remedy any conflict of interest (whether actual, potential or perceived) in the context of the Purpose (defined below).
- B. The Authority is conducting a procurement exercise for the [supply/purchase/provision] of [insert details of project/goods/services] (the "**Purpose**").
- C. The Parties wish to enter into this Agreement to ensure that a set of management processes, barriers and disciplines are put in place to ensure that conflicts of interest do not arise, and that the Counterparty does not obtain an unfair competitive advantage over Other Bidders.

IT IS AGREED:

1 DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

- 1.1 The following capitalised words and expressions shall have the following meanings in this Agreement and its recitals:

"**Affiliate**" means in relation to a body corporate, any other entity which directly or indirectly Controls, is Controlled by, or is under direct or indirect common Control of that body corporate from time to time;

"**Agreement**" means this ethical walls agreement duly executed by the Parties;

"**Bid Team**" means any Representatives of the Counterparty, any of its Affiliates and/or any Subcontractors connected to the preparation of an ITT Response;

"**Central Government Body**" means a body listed in one of the following sub-categories of the Central Government classification of the Public Sector

Classification Guide, as published and amended from time to time by the Office for National Statistics, including:

- a) Government Departments;
- b) Non-Departmental Public Bodies or Assembly Sponsored Public Bodies (advisory, executive, or tribunal);
- c) Non-Ministerial Departments; or
- d) Executive Agencies;

"Conflicted Personnel" means any Representatives of:

- a) the Counterparty;
- b) any of the Counterparty's Affiliates; and/or
- c) any Subcontractors,

who, because of the Counterparty's, any of its Affiliates' and/or any Subcontractors' relationship with the Authority under any Contract, have or have had access to information which creates or may create a conflict of interest or provide the Bid Team with an unfair advantage as regards information Other Bidders would not have;

"Contract" means any pre-existing or previous contract between the Authority and:

- (a) the Counterparty;
- (b) any of the Counterparty's Affiliates;
- (c) any Subcontractor; and
- (d) any other Third Party,

relating to the subject matter of the Purpose at the date of the commencement of the ITT Process;

"Control" means the beneficial ownership of more than 50% of the issued share capital of a company or the legal power to direct or cause the direction of the management of the company and **"Controls"** and **"Controlled"** shall be interpreted accordingly;

"Effective Date" means the date of this Agreement as set out above;

"Invitation to Tender" or **"ITT"** means an invitation to submit tenders issued by the Authority as part of an ITT Process (and shall include an Invitation to Negotiate);

"ITT Process" means, with regard to the Purpose, the relevant procedure provided for in the Procurement Regulations (as amended), which the Authority has elected to use to select a contractor or contractors, together with all relevant information, data, correspondence and/or documents issued and/or made available by or on behalf of the Authority as part of that procurement exercise and all information, correspondence and/or documents issued and/or made available by or on behalf of the bidders in response together with any resulting contracts;

"ITT Response" means the tender(s) submitted, or to be submitted, by the Counterparty, any of its Affiliates and/or any Subcontractors in response to any invitation(s) to submit bids under the ITT process;

"Other Bidder" means any other bidder or potential bidder that is not the Counterparty or any of its Affiliates that has taken or is taking part in the ITT Process;

"Procurement Process" means the period commencing on the earlier of: (a) the publication of the first notice in relation to the Purpose; and (b) the execution of this Agreement, and ending on the occurrence of: (i) the publication by the Authority of all contract award notices that result from the ITT Process; or (ii) the abandonment or termination of the ITT Process as notified by the Authority;

"Procurement Regulations" means the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, the Public Procurement (Amendment etc.)(EU Exit) Regulations 2020, the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011, the Utilities Contracts Regulations 2016, and the Concession Contracts Regulations 2016, each as amended from time to time;

"Professional Advisor" means a supplier, subcontractor, advisor or consultant engaged by the Counterparty and/or any of its Affiliates under the auspices of compiling its ITT response;

"Purpose" has the meaning given to it in recital B to this Agreement;

"Representative" refers to a person's officers, directors, employees, advisers (including the officers, directors, employees, advisers and agents of any Professional Advisors), agents and, where the context admits, providers or potential providers of finance (including their representatives) to the Counterparty, any of its Affiliates and/or any subcontractors engaged in connection with the ITT Process;

"Subcontractor" means an existing or proposed subcontractor of:

- a) the Counterparty; and/or
- b) any of the Counterparty's Affiliates,

who is connected to the preparation of an ITT Response (including key subcontractors named in the ITT Response);

"Third Party" means any person who is not a Party, including Other Bidders, their Affiliates and/or their Representatives; and

"Working Day" means any day of the week other than a weekend, when Banks in England and Wales are open for business.

- 1.2 Reference to the disclosure of information includes any communication or making available information and includes both direct and indirect disclosure.
- 1.3 Reference to the disclosure of information, or provision of access, by or to the Authority, the Counterparty, any of the Counterparty's Affiliates and/or any

Subcontractors includes disclosure, or provision of access, by or to the Representatives of the Authority, the Counterparty, any of its Affiliates and/or any Subcontractors (as the case may be).

- 1.4 Reference to persons includes legal and natural persons.
- 1.5 Reference to any enactment is to that enactment as amended, supplemented, re-enacted or replaced from time to time.
- 1.6 Reference to clauses and recitals is to clauses of and recitals to this Agreement.
- 1.7 Reference to any gender includes any other.
- 1.8 Reference to writing includes email.
- 1.9 The terms "**associate**", "**holding company**", "**subsidiary**", "**subsidiary undertaking**" and "**wholly owned subsidiary**" have the meanings attributed to them in the Companies Act 2006, except that for the purposes of section 1159(1)(a) of that Act, the words 'holds a majority of the voting rights' shall be changed to 'holds 30% or more of the voting rights', and other expressions shall be construed accordingly.
- 1.10 The words "**include**" and "**including**" are to be construed without limitation.
- 1.11 The singular includes the plural and vice versa.
- 1.12 The headings contained in this Agreement shall not affect its construction or interpretation.

2 ETHICAL WALLS

- 2.1 In consideration of the sum of ■ payable by the Authority to the Counterparty, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree to be bound by the terms of this Agreement.

Conflicts of Interest

- 2.2 The Counterparty:
 - 2.2.1 shall take all appropriate steps to ensure that neither the Counterparty, nor its Affiliates, nor any Subcontractors nor any Representatives are in a position where, in the reasonable opinion of the Authority, there is or may be an actual conflict, or a potential conflict, between the pecuniary or personal interests of the Counterparty, any of its Affiliates, any Subcontractors and/or any Representatives and the duties owed to the Authority under any Contract or pursuant to an open and transparent ITT Process; and
 - 2.2.2 acknowledges and agrees that a conflict of interest may arise in situations where the Counterparty, any of its Affiliates, any Subcontractors and/or any Representatives intend to take part in the ITT Process and because of the Counterparty's, any of its Affiliates', any

Subcontractors' and/or any Representatives' relationship with the Authority under any Contract, the Counterparty, any of its Affiliates, any Subcontractors and/or any Representatives have or have had access to information which could provide the Counterparty, any of its Affiliates, any Subcontractors and/or any Representatives with an advantage and render unfair an otherwise genuine and open competitive ITT Process.

2.3 Where there is or is likely to be a conflict of interest, or the perception of a conflict of interest, of any kind in relation to the ITT Process, the Counterparty shall take such steps that are necessary to eliminate the conflict of interest to the Authority's satisfaction, including one or more of the following:

2.3.1 not assigning any of the Conflicted Personnel to the Bid Team at any time;

2.3.2 providing to the Authority promptly upon request a complete and up to date list of any Conflicted Personnel and the personnel comprising the Bid Team and reissue such list to the Authority promptly upon any change to it;

2.3.3 ensuring that no act or omission by itself, its Affiliates, any Subcontractors and/or any Representatives results in information of any kind, however conveyed, or in any format and however so stored:

(a) about the ITT Process (gleaned from the performance of any Contract or otherwise); and/or

(b) which would or could in the opinion of the Authority confer an unfair advantage on the Counterparty in relation to its participation in the ITT Process,

becoming available to the Bid Team where the Authority has not made generally available that information to Other Bidders;

2.3.4 ensuring that by no act or omission by itself, its Affiliates, any Subcontractors and/or any Representatives and in particular the Bid Team results in information of any kind, however conveyed, in any format and however so stored about the ITT Process, its operation and all matters connected or ancillary to it becoming available to the Conflicted Personnel;

2.3.5 ensure that agreements that flow down the Counterparty's obligations in this Agreement, are entered into as necessary, between the Counterparty and its Affiliates and any Subcontractors [in a form to be approved by the Authority];

2.3.6 physically separating the Conflicted Personnel and the Bid Team, either in separate buildings or in areas with restricted access;

2.3.7 providing regular training to its Affiliates, any Subcontractors and/or Representatives to ensure it is complying with this Agreement;

- 2.3.8 monitoring Conflicted Personnel movements within restricted areas (both physical and electronic online areas) to ensure it is complying with this Agreement and to ensure adherence to the ethical wall arrangements the Counterparty, its Affiliates, any Subcontractors and/or any Representatives have put in place in order to comply with this Agreement;
- 2.3.9 ensuring that the Conflicted Personnel and the Bid Team are line managed and report independently of each other; and
- 2.3.10 complying with any other action as the Authority, acting reasonably, may direct in connection with the ITT Process and/or this Agreement.

Notification of Conflicts of Interest

2.4 The Counterparty shall:

- 2.4.1 notify the Authority immediately in writing of all perceived, potential and/or actual conflicts of interest that arise or have arisen;
 - 2.4.2 submit in writing to the Authority full details of the nature of the perceived, potential and/or actual conflict of interest including full details of the risk assessments undertaken, the impact or potential impact of the perceived, potential and/or actual conflict, the measures and arrangements that have been established and/or are due to be established, to eliminate the perceived, potential and/or actual conflict, and the Counterparty's plans to prevent potential conflicts of interests from arising ("**Proposed Avoidance Measures**"); and
 - 2.4.3 seek the Authority's approval to the Proposed Avoidance Measures which the Authority shall have the right to grant, grant conditionally or deny (if the Authority rejects the Proposed Avoidance Measures the Counterparty shall repeat the process set out in this Clause 2.4 until such time as the Authority grants approval or the Counterparty withdraws from the ITT Process).
- 2.5 The Counterparty will provide to the Authority, on demand, any and all information in relation to its adherence with its obligations set out under Clauses 2.2 and 2.3 as reasonably requested by the Authority.
- 2.6 The Authority reserves the right to require the Counterparty to demonstrate the measures put in place by the Counterparty under Clauses 2.2 and 2.3.
- 2.7 The Counterparty acknowledges that any provision of information or demonstration of measures, in accordance with Clauses 2.5 and 2.6, does not constitute acceptance by the Authority of the adequacy of such measures and does not discharge the Counterparty of its obligations or liability under this Agreement.

Exclusion from the ITT Process

- 2.8 Where, in the reasonable opinion of the Authority, there has been any breach by the Counterparty of Clauses 2.2, 2.3, or 2.4 or failure to obtain the Authority's approval of the Proposed Avoidance Measures the Authority shall be entitled to exclude the Counterparty, or any of its Affiliates and/or any Representatives, from the ITT Process, and the Authority may, in addition to the right to exclude, take such other steps as it deems necessary.
- 2.9 The actions of the Authority pursuant to Clause 2.8 shall not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy under this Agreement or at law which shall have accrued or shall thereafter accrue to the Authority.

Bid Costs

- 2.10 In no event shall the Authority be liable for any bid costs incurred by:
- 2.10.1 the Counterparty or any of its Affiliates, any Representatives and/or any Subcontractors; or
 - 2.10.2 any Third Party,
- as a result of any breach of this Agreement by the Counterparty, any of its Affiliates, any Subcontractors and/or Representatives, including where the Counterparty, any of its Affiliates, any Subcontractors or Representatives, or any Third Party is or are excluded from the ITT Process.

Specific Remedies

- 2.11 The Counterparty acknowledges and agrees that:
- 2.11.1 neither damages nor specific performance are adequate remedies in the event of a breach of the obligations in Clause 2; and
 - 2.11.2 in the event of a breach of any of the obligations in Clause 2 which cannot be effectively remedied the Authority shall have the right to terminate both this Agreement and the Counterparty's participation in the ITT Process in each case with immediate effect on written notice.

3 SOLE RESPONSIBILITY

- 3.1 It is the sole responsibility of the Counterparty to comply with the terms of this Agreement, including ensuring its Affiliates, any Subcontractors, and/or any Representatives comply with the terms of this Agreement. No approval by the Authority of any procedures, agreements or arrangements provided by the Counterparty, any of its Affiliates, any Subcontractors and/or their Representatives to the Authority shall discharge the Counterparty's obligations.

4 WAIVER AND INVALIDITY

- 4.1 No failure or delay by any Party in exercising any right, power or privilege under this Agreement or by law shall constitute a waiver of that or any other right, power

or privilege, nor shall it restrict the further exercise of that or any other right, power or privilege. No single or partial exercise of such right, power or privilege shall prevent or restrict the further exercise of that or any other right, power or privilege.

- 4.2 If any provision of this Agreement is prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction in relation to any Party, such prohibition or unenforceability will not invalidate the remaining provisions of this Agreement, or affect the validity or enforceability of the provisions of this Agreement in relation to any other Party or any other jurisdiction.

5 ASSIGNMENT AND NOVATION

- 5.1 The Counterparty shall not assign, novate or otherwise dispose of or create any trust in relation to any or all of its rights, obligations or liabilities under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the Authority.
- 5.2 The Authority may assign, novate or otherwise dispose of any or all of its rights, obligations and liabilities under this Agreement and/or any associated licences to:
- 5.2.1 any Central Government Body; or
 - 5.2.2 to a body other than a Central Government Body (including any private sector body) which performs any of the functions that previously had been performed by the Authority; and
 - 5.2.3 the Counterparty shall, at the Authority's request, enter into a novation agreement in such form as the Authority may reasonably specify in order to enable the Authority to exercise its rights pursuant to this Clause 5.
- 5.3 A change in the legal status of the Authority such that it ceases to be a Central Government Body shall not affect the validity of this Agreement and this Agreement shall be binding on any successor body to the Authority.

6 CONTRACTS (RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES) ACT 1999

- 6.1 A person who is not a Party to this Agreement has no right under the Contract (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 (as amended, updated or replaced from time to time) to enforce any term of this Agreement, but this does not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available otherwise than pursuant to that Act.

7 TRANSPARENCY

- 7.1 The Parties acknowledge and agree that the Authority is under a legal duty pursuant to the Procurement Regulations to run transparent and fair procurement processes. Accordingly, the Authority may disclose the contents of this Agreement to Other Bidders (and/or potential Other Bidders) for the purposes of transparency and in order to evidence that a fair procurement process has been followed.

8 NOTICES

8.1 Any notices sent under this Agreement must be in writing.

8.2 The following table sets out the method by which notices may be served under this Agreement and the respective deemed time and proof of service:

Manner of Delivery	Deemed time of service	Proof of service
Email.	9.00am on the first Working Day after sending	Dispatched as a pdf attachment to an e-mail to the correct e-mail address without any error message.
Personal delivery.	On delivery, provided delivery is between 9.00am and 5.00pm on a Working Day. Otherwise, delivery will occur at 9.00am on the next Working Day.	Properly addressed and delivered as evidenced by signature of a delivery receipt.
Prepaid, Royal Mail Signed For™ 1 st Class or other prepaid, next Working Day service providing proof of delivery.	At the time recorded by the delivery service, provided that delivery is between 9.00am and 5.00pm on a Working Day. Otherwise, delivery will occur at 9.00am on the same Working Day (if delivery before 9.00am) or on the next Working Day (if after 5.00pm).	Properly addressed prepaid and delivered as evidenced by signature of a delivery receipt.

- 8.3 Notices shall be sent to the addresses set out below or at such other address as the relevant Party may give notice to the other Party for the purpose of service of notices under this Agreement:

	Counterparty	Authority
Contact		
Address		
Email		

- 8.4 This Clause 8 does not apply to the service of any proceedings or other documents in any legal action or other method of dispute resolution.

9 WAIVER AND CUMULATIVE REMEDIES

- 9.1 The rights and remedies under this Agreement may be waived only by notice, and in a manner that expressly states that a waiver is intended. A failure or delay by a Party in ascertaining or exercising a right or remedy provided under this Agreement or by law shall not constitute a waiver of that right or remedy, nor shall it prevent or restrict the further exercise of that or any other right or remedy. No single or partial exercise of any right or remedy shall prevent or restrict the further exercise of that or any other right or remedy.
- 9.2 Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, rights and remedies under this Agreement are cumulative and do not exclude any rights or remedies provided by law, in equity or otherwise.

10 TERM

- 10.1 Each Party's obligations under this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect for the period of the duration of the Procurement Process]

11 GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION

- 11.1 This Agreement and any issues, disputes or claims (whether contractual or non-contractual) arising out of or in connection with it or its subject matter or formation shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of England and Wales.
- 11.2 The Parties agree that the courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute or claim (whether contractual or non-contractual) that arises out of or in connection with this Agreement or its subject matter or formation.

Schedule 25 (Exit Management)

Signed by the Authority

Name:

Signature:

Position in Authority:

Signed by the Counterparty

Name:

Signature:

Position in Counterparty:

SCHEDULE 26

**SERVICE CONTINUITY PLAN AND CORPORATE
RESOLUTION PLANNING**

Schedule 26 (Service Continuity Plan and Corporate Resolution Planning)

PART A: SERVICE CONTINUITY PLAN

1 DEFINITIONS

1.1 In this Schedule, the following definitions shall apply:

“Business Continuity Plan” has the meaning given in Paragraph 2.2(a)(ii);

“Business Continuity Services” has the meaning given in Paragraph 4.2(b);

“Department” a body listed in one of the following sub-categories of the Central Government classification of the Public Sector Classification Guide, as published and amended from time to time by the Office for National Statistics:

(a) Government Department; or

(e) Non-Ministerial Department.

“Disaster” the occurrence of one or more events which, either separately or cumulatively, mean that the Services, or a material part of the Services will be unavailable for a period of **two (2) days** or which is reasonably anticipated will mean that the Services or a material part of the Services will be unavailable for that period;

“Disaster Recovery Plan” has the meaning given in Paragraph 2.2(a)(iii);

“Disaster Recovery Services” the services embodied in the processes and procedures for restoring the Services following the occurrence of a Disaster;

“Disaster Recovery System” the system identified by the Supplier in the Supplier Solution which shall be used for the purpose of delivering the Disaster Recovery Services;

“Insolvency Continuity Plan” has the meaning given in Paragraph 2.2(a)(iv).

“Related Service Provider”	any person who provides services to the Authority in relation to this Contract from time to time;
“Review Report”	has the meaning given in Paragraphs 7.2(a) to 7.2(c);
“Service Continuity Plan”	means the plan prepared pursuant to Paragraph 2 of this Schedule which incorporates the Business Continuity Plan, Disaster Recovery Plan and the Insolvency Continuity Plan;

2 SERVICE CONTINUITY PLAN

2.1 Within 40 Working Days from the Effective Date the Supplier shall prepare and deliver to the Authority for the Authority’s written approval a plan, which shall detail the processes and arrangements that the Supplier shall follow to:

- (a) ensure continuity of the business processes and operations supported by the Services following any failure or disruption of any element of the Services (including where caused by an Insolvency Event of the Supplier, any Key Sub-contractor and/or any Supplier Group member); and
- (b) the recovery of the Services in the event of a Disaster.

2.2 The Service Continuity Plan shall:

- (a) be divided into four parts:
 - (i) Part A which shall set out general principles applicable to the Service Continuity Plan;
 - (ii) Part B which shall relate to business continuity (the **“Business Continuity Plan”**);
 - (iii) Part C which shall relate to disaster recovery (the **“Disaster Recovery Plan”**);
 - (iv) Part D which shall relate to an Insolvency Event of the Supplier, any Key Sub-contractors and/or any Supplier Group member (the **“Insolvency Continuity Plan”**); and
- (b) unless otherwise required by the Authority in writing, be based upon and be consistent with the provisions of Paragraphs 3, 4, 5 and 6.

2.3 Following receipt of the draft Service Continuity Plan from the Supplier, the Authority shall:

- (a) review and comment on the draft Service Continuity Plan as soon as reasonably practicable; and
- (b) notify the Supplier in writing that it approves or rejects the draft Service Continuity Plan no later than 30 Working Days after the date

on which the digital migration has been completed by the Supplier to the satisfaction of the Authority. .

2.4 If the Authority rejects the draft Service Continuity Plan:

- (a) the Authority shall inform the Supplier in writing of its reasons for its rejection; and
- (b) the Supplier shall then revise the draft Service Continuity Plan (taking reasonable account of the Authority's comments) and shall re-submit a revised draft Service Continuity Plan to the Authority for the Authority's approval within 20 Working Days of the date of the Authority's notice of rejection. The provisions of Paragraph 2.3 and this Paragraph 2.4 shall apply again to any resubmitted draft Service Continuity Plan, provided that either Party may refer any disputed matters for resolution by the Dispute Resolution Procedure at any time.

3 SERVICE CONTINUITY PLAN: PART A – GENERAL PRINCIPLES AND REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Part A of the Service Continuity Plan shall:

- (a) set out how the business continuity, disaster recovery and insolvency continuity elements of the plan link to each other;
- (b) provide details of how the invocation of any element of the Service Continuity Plan may impact upon the operation of the Services and any services provided to the Authority by a Related Service Provider;
- (c) contain an obligation upon the Supplier to liaise with the Authority and (at the Authority's request) any Related Service Provider with respect to issues concerning business continuity, disaster recovery and insolvency continuity where applicable;
- (d) detail how the Service Continuity Plan links and interoperates with any overarching and/or connected disaster recovery, business continuity and/or insolvency continuity plan of the Authority and any of its other Related Service Providers in each case as notified to the Supplier by the Authority from time to time;
- (e) contain a communication strategy including details of an incident and problem management service and advice and help desk facility which can be accessed via multi-channels (including but without limitation a web-site (with FAQs), e-mail, phone and fax) for both portable and desk top configurations, where required by the Authority;
- (f) contain a risk analysis, including:
 - (i) failure or disruption scenarios and assessments and estimates of frequency of occurrence;
 - (ii) identification of any single points of failure within the Services and processes for managing the risks arising therefrom;

- (iii) identification of risks arising from the interaction of the Services with the services provided by a Related Service Provider;
 - (iv) identification of risks arising from an Insolvency Event of the Supplier, any Key Sub-contractors and/or Supplier Group member; and
 - (v) a business impact analysis (detailing the impact on business processes and operations) of different anticipated failures or disruptions;
- (g) provide for documentation of processes, including business processes, and procedures;
- (h) set out key contact details (including roles and responsibilities) for the Supplier (and any Sub-contractors) and for the Authority;
- (i) identify the procedures for reverting to “normal service”;
- (j) set out method(s) of recovering or updating data collected (or which ought to have been collected) during a failure or disruption to ensure that there is no more than the accepted amount of data loss and to preserve data integrity;
- (k) identify the responsibilities (if any) that the Authority has agreed it will assume in the event of the invocation of the Service Continuity Plan; and
- (l) provide for the provision of technical advice and assistance to key contacts at the Authority as notified by the Authority from time to time to inform decisions in support of the Authority’s business continuity plans.

3.2 The Service Continuity Plan shall be designed so as to ensure that:

- (a) the Services are provided in accordance with this Contract at all times during and after the invocation of the Service Continuity Plan;
- (b) the adverse impact of any Disaster; service failure; an Insolvency Event of the Supplier, any Key Sub-contractor and/or any Supplier Group member; or disruption on the operations of the Authority, is minimal as far as reasonably possible;
- (c) it complies with the relevant provisions of ISO/IEC 22301 and all other industry standards from time to time in force; and
- (d) there is a process for the management of disaster recovery testing detailed in the Service Continuity Plan.

3.3 The Service Continuity Plan shall be upgradeable and sufficiently flexible to support any changes to the Services, to the business processes facilitated by and the business operations supported by the Services, and/or changes to the Supplier Group structure.

- 3.4 The Supplier shall not be entitled to any relief from its obligations under the Performance Indicators or to any increase in the Charges to the extent that a Disaster occurs as a consequence of any breach by the Supplier of this Contract.

4 SERVICE CONTINUITY PLAN: PART B – BUSINESS CONTINUITY

PRINCIPLES AND CONTENTS

- 4.1 The Business Continuity Plan shall set out the arrangements that are to be invoked to ensure that the business processes and operations facilitated by the Services remain supported and to ensure continuity of the business operations supported by the Services including, unless the Authority expressly states otherwise in writing:
- (a) the alternative processes (including business processes), options and responsibilities that may be adopted in the event of a failure in or disruption to the Services; and
 - (b) the steps to be taken by the Supplier upon resumption of the Services in order to address any prevailing effect of the failure or disruption including a root cause analysis of the failure or disruption.
- 4.2 The Business Continuity Plan shall:
- (a) address the various possible levels of failures of or disruptions to the Services;
 - (b) set out the services to be provided and the steps to be taken to remedy the different levels of failures of and disruption to the Services (such services and steps, the “**Business Continuity Services**”);
 - (c) 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 in respect of other Services during any period of invocation of the Business Continuity Plan; and
 - (d) clearly set out the conditions and/or circumstances under which the Business Continuity Plan is invoked.

5 SERVICE CONTINUITY PLAN: PART C – DISASTER RECOVERY

PRINCIPLES AND CONTENTS

- 5.1 The Disaster Recovery Plan shall be designed so as to ensure that upon the occurrence of a Disaster the Supplier ensures continuity of the business operations of the Authority 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 Disaster Recovery Plan shall be invoked only upon the occurrence of a Disaster.

5.3 The Disaster Recovery Plan shall include the following:

- (a) the technical design and build specification of the Disaster Recovery System;
- (b) details of the procedures and processes to be put in place by the Supplier in relation to the Disaster Recovery System and the provision of the Disaster Recovery Services and any testing of the same including but not limited to the following:
 - (i) data centre and disaster recovery site audits;
 - (ii) backup methodology and details of the Supplier's approach to data back-up and data verification;
 - (iii) identification of all potential disaster scenarios;
 - (iv) risk analysis;
 - (v) documentation of processes and procedures;
 - (vi) hardware configuration details;
 - (vii) network planning including details of all relevant data networks and communication links;
 - (viii) invocation rules;
 - (ix) Service recovery procedures; and
 - (x) steps to be taken upon resumption of the Services to address any prevailing effect of the failure or disruption of the Services;
- (c) any applicable Performance Indicators with respect to the provision of the Disaster Recovery Services and details of any agreed relaxation to the Performance Indicators in respect of other Services during any period of invocation of the Disaster Recovery Plan;
- (d) details of how the Supplier shall ensure compliance with security standards ensuring that compliance is maintained for any period during which the Disaster Recovery Plan is invoked;
- (e) access controls to any disaster recovery sites used by the Supplier in relation to its obligations pursuant to this Schedule; and
- (f) testing and management arrangements.

**6 SERVICE CONTINUITY PLAN: PART D – INSOLVENCY CONTINUITY PLAN
PRINCIPLES AND CONTENTS**

- 6.1** The Insolvency Continuity Plan shall be designed by the Supplier to permit continuity of the business operations of the Authority supported by the Services through continued provision of the Services following an Insolvency Event of

the Supplier, any Key Sub-contractor and/or any Supplier Group member with, as far as reasonably possible, minimal adverse impact.

6.2 The Insolvency Continuity Plan shall include the following:

- (a) communication strategies which are designed to minimise the potential disruption to the provision of the Services, including key contact details in respect of the supply chain and key contact details for operational and contract Supplier Personnel, Key Sub-contractor personnel and Supplier Group member personnel;
- (b) identification, explanation, assessment and an impact analysis of risks in respect of dependencies between the Supplier, Key Sub-contractors and Supplier Group members where failure of those dependencies could reasonably have an adverse impact on the Services;
- (c) plans to manage and mitigate identified risks;
- (d) details of the roles and responsibilities of the Supplier, Key Sub-contractors and/or Supplier Group members to minimise and mitigate the effects of an Insolvency Event of such persons on the Services;
- (e) details of the recovery team to be put in place by the Supplier (which may include representatives of the Supplier, Key Sub-contractors and Supplier Group members); and
- (f) sufficient detail to enable an appointed insolvency practitioner to invoke the plan in the event of an Insolvency Event of the Supplier.

7 REVIEW AND AMENDMENT OF THE SERVICE CONTINUITY PLAN

7.1 The Supplier shall review and update the Service Continuity Plan (and the risk analysis on which it is based):

- (a) on a regular basis and as a minimum once every 6 months];
- (b) within three calendar months of the Service Continuity Plan (or any part) having been invoked pursuant to Paragraph 9;
- (c) within 14 days of a Financial Distress Event;
- (d) within 30 days of a Corporate Change Event (unless the Relevant Authority (acting reasonably) agrees to a Corporate Change Event Grace Period, as set out in Paragraph 2.8(b)(i), in which case that Corporate Change Event Grace Period will apply); and
- (e) where the Authority requests any additional reviews (over and above those provided for in Paragraphs 7.1(a) to 7.1(d)) by notifying the Supplier to such effect in writing, whereupon the Supplier shall conduct such reviews in accordance with the Authority's written requirements. Prior to starting its review, the Supplier shall provide an accurate written estimate of the total costs payable by the Authority for the Authority's approval. The costs of both Parties of

any such additional reviews shall be met by the Authority except that the Supplier shall not be entitled to charge the Authority for any costs that it may incur above any estimate without the Authority's prior written approval.

- 7.2 Each review of the Service Continuity Plan pursuant to Paragraph 7.1 shall be a review of the procedures and methodologies set out in the Service Continuity Plan and shall assess their suitability having regard to any change to the Services 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 Service Continuity Plan or the last review of the Service Continuity 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 Service Continuity Plan. The review shall be completed by the Supplier within the period required by the Service Continuity Plan or, if no such period is required, within such period as the Authority shall reasonably require. The Supplier shall, within 20 Working Days of the conclusion of each such review of the Service Continuity Plan, provide to the Authority a report (a "**Review Report**") setting out:
- (a) the findings of the review;
 - (b) any changes in the risk profile associated with the Services; and
 - (c) the Supplier's proposals (the "**Supplier's Proposals**") for addressing any changes in the risk profile and its proposals for amendments to the Service Continuity Plan following the review detailing the impact (if any and to the extent that the Supplier can reasonably be expected to be aware of the same) that the implementation of such proposals may have on any services or systems provided by a third party.
- 7.3 Following receipt of the Review Report and the Supplier's Proposals, the Authority shall:
- (a) review and comment on the Review Report and the Supplier's Proposals as soon as reasonably practicable; and
 - (b) notify the Supplier in writing that it approves or rejects the Review Report and the Supplier's Proposals no later than 20 Working Days after the date on which they are first delivered to the Authority.
- 7.4 If the Authority rejects the Review Report and/or the Supplier's Proposals:
- (a) the Authority shall inform the Supplier in writing of its reasons for its rejection; and
 - (b) the Supplier shall then revise the Review Report and/or the Supplier's Proposals as the case may be (taking reasonable account of the Authority's comments and carrying out any necessary actions in connection with the revision) and shall re-submit a revised Review Report and/or revised Supplier's Proposals to the Authority for the Authority's approval within 20 Working Days of the date of the

Authority's notice of rejection. The provisions of Paragraph 7.3 and this Paragraph 7.4 shall apply again to any resubmitted Review Report and Supplier's Proposals, provided that either Party may refer any disputed matters for resolution by the Dispute Resolution Procedure at any time.

- 7.5 The Supplier shall as soon as is reasonably practicable after receiving the Authority's approval of the Supplier's Proposals (having regard to the significance of any risks highlighted in the Review Report) effect any change in its practices or procedures necessary so as to give effect to the Supplier's Proposals. Any such change shall be at the Supplier's expense unless it can be reasonably shown that the changes are required because of a material change to the risk profile of the Services.

8 TESTING OF THE SERVICE CONTINUITY PLAN

- 8.1 The Supplier shall test the Service Continuity Plan on a regular basis (and in any event not less than once in every Contract Year). Subject to Paragraph 8.2, the Authority may require the Supplier to conduct additional tests of some or all aspects of the Service Continuity Plan at any time where the Authority considers it necessary, including where there has been any change to the Services or any underlying business processes, or on the occurrence of any event which may increase the likelihood of the need to implement the Service Continuity Plan.
- 8.2 If the Authority requires an additional test of the Service Continuity Plan, it shall give the Supplier written notice and the Supplier shall conduct the test in accordance with the Authority's requirements and the relevant provisions of the Service Continuity Plan. The Supplier's costs of the additional test shall be borne by the Authority unless the Service Continuity Plan fails the additional test in which case the Supplier's costs of that failed test shall be borne by the Supplier.
- 8.3 The Supplier shall undertake and manage testing of the Service Continuity Plan in full consultation with the Authority and shall liaise with the Authority in respect of the planning, performance, and review, of each test, and shall comply with the reasonable requirements of the Authority in this regard. Each test shall be carried out under the supervision of the Authority or its nominee.
- 8.4 The Supplier shall ensure that any use by it or any Sub-contractor of "live" data in such testing is first approved with the Authority. Copies of live test data used in any such testing shall be (if so required by the Authority) destroyed or returned to the Authority on completion of the test.
- 8.5 The Supplier shall, within 20 Working Days of the conclusion of each test, provide to the Authority a report setting out:
- (a) the outcome of the test;
 - (b) any failures in the Service Continuity Plan (including the Service Continuity Plan's procedures) revealed by the test; and
 - (c) the Supplier's proposals for remedying any such failures.

- 8.6 Following each test, the Supplier shall take all measures requested by the Authority, (including requests for the re-testing of the Service Continuity Plan) to remedy any failures in the Service Continuity Plan and such remedial activity and re-testing shall be completed by the Supplier, at no additional cost to the Authority, by the date reasonably required by the Authority and set out in such notice.
- 8.7 For the avoidance of doubt, the carrying out of a test of the Service Continuity Plan (including a test of the Service Continuity Plan's procedures) shall not relieve the Supplier of any of its obligations under this Contract.
- 8.8 The Supplier shall also perform a test of the Service Continuity Plan in the event of any major reconfiguration of the Services or as otherwise reasonably requested by the Authority.

9 INVOCATION OF THE SERVICE CONTINUITY PLAN

- 9.1 In the event of a loss of any critical part of the Service or a Disaster, the Supplier shall immediately invoke the business continuity and disaster recovery provisions in the Service Continuity Plan, including any linked elements in other parts of the Service Continuity Plan, and shall inform the Authority promptly of such invocation. In all other instances the Supplier shall invoke the business continuity and disaster recovery plan elements only with the prior consent of the Authority.
- 9.2 The Insolvency Continuity Plan element of the Service Continuity Plans, including any linked elements in other parts of the Service Continuity Plan, shall be invoked by the Supplier:
- (a) where an Insolvency Event of a Key Sub-contractor and/or Supplier Group member (other than the Supplier) could reasonably be expected to adversely affect delivery of the Services; and/or
 - (b) where there is an Insolvency Event of the Supplier and the insolvency arrangements enable the Supplier to invoke the plan;

PART B: CORPORATE RESOLUTION PLANNING

1 Service Status and Supplier Status

- 1.1 This Contract is a Critical Service Contract.
- 1.2 The Supplier shall notify the Authority and the Cabinet Office Markets and Suppliers Team (Resolution.planning@cabinetoffice.gov.uk) in writing within 5 Working Days of the Effective Date and throughout the Term within 120 days after each Accounting Reference Date as to whether or not it is a Public Sector Dependent Supplier.

2 Provision of Corporate Resolution Planning Information (CRP Information)

- 2.1 Paragraphs 2 to 4 of this Part B shall apply if this Contract has been specified as a Critical Service Contract under Paragraph 1.1 of this Part B or the Supplier is or becomes a Public Sector Dependent Supplier.
- 2.2 Subject to Paragraphs 2.6, 2.10 and 2.11 of this Part B:
 - (a) where this Contract is a Critical Service Contract, the Supplier shall provide the Relevant Authority or Relevant Authorities with CRP Information within 60 days of the Effective Date; and
 - (b) except where it has already been provided in accordance with Paragraph 2.2(a) of this Part B, where the Supplier is a Public Sector Dependent Supplier, it shall provide the Relevant Authority or Relevant Authorities with the CRP Information within 60 days of the date of the Relevant Authority's or Relevant Authorities' request.
- 2.3 The Supplier shall ensure that the CRP Information provided pursuant to Paragraphs 2.2, 2.8 and 2.9 of this Part B:
 - (a) is full, comprehensive, accurate and up to date;
 - (b) is split into three parts:
 - (i) Exposure Information (Contracts List);
 - (ii) Corporate Resolvability Assessment (Structural Review);
 - (iii) Financial Information and Commentaryand is structured and presented in accordance with the requirements and explanatory notes set out at the relevant Annex of the latest published versions of the Resolution Planning Guidance Notes published by the Cabinet Office Government Commercial Function and available at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-sourcing-and-consultancy-playbooks> and contains the level of detail required (adapted as necessary to the Supplier's circumstances);
 - (c) incorporates any additional commentary, supporting documents and evidence which would reasonably be required by the Relevant

Authority or Relevant Authorities to understand and consider the information for approval;

- (d) provides a clear description and explanation of the Supplier Group members that have agreements for goods, services or works provision in respect of UK Public Sector Business and/or CNI and the nature of those agreements; and
- (e) complies with the requirements set out at Annex 1 (*Exposure Information (Contracts List)*), Annex 2 (*Corporate Resolvability Assessment (Structural Review)*) and Annex 3 (*Financial Information And Commentary*) respectively.

2.4 Following receipt by the Relevant Authority or Relevant Authorities of the CRP Information pursuant to Paragraphs 2.2, 2.8 and 2.9 of this Part B, the Authority shall procure that the Relevant Authority or Relevant Authorities discuss in good faith the contents of the CRP Information with the Supplier and no later than 60 days after the date on which the CRP Information was delivered by the Supplier either provide an Assurance to the Supplier that Relevant Authority or Relevant Authorities approve the CRP Information or that Relevant Authority or Relevant Authorities reject the CRP Information.

2.5 If the Relevant Authority or Relevant Authorities reject the CRP Information:

- (a) the Authority shall (and shall procure that the Cabinet Office Markets and Suppliers Team shall) inform the Supplier in writing of its reasons for its rejection; and
- (b) the Supplier shall revise the CRP Information, taking reasonable account of the Relevant Authority's or Relevant Authorities' comments, and shall re-submit the CRP Information to the Relevant Authority or Relevant Authorities for approval within 30 days of the date of the Relevant Authority's or Relevant Authorities' rejection. The provisions of Paragraph 2.3 to 2.5 of this Part B shall apply again to any resubmitted CRP Information provided that either Party may refer any disputed matters for resolution by the Dispute Resolution Procedure at any time.

2.6 Where the Supplier or a member of the Supplier Group has already provided CRP Information to a Department or the Cabinet Office Markets and Suppliers Team (or, in the case of a Strategic Supplier, solely to the Cabinet Office Markets and Suppliers Team) and has received an Assurance of its CRP Information from that Department and the Cabinet Office Markets and Suppliers Team (or, in the case of a Strategic Supplier, solely from the Cabinet Office Markets and Suppliers Team), then provided that the Assurance remains Valid on the date by which the CRP Information would otherwise be required, the Supplier shall not be required to provide the CRP Information under Paragraph 2.2 if it provides a copy of the Valid Assurance to the Relevant Authority or Relevant Authorities on or before the date on which the CRP Information would otherwise have been required.

- 2.7 An Assurance shall be deemed Valid for the purposes of Paragraph 2.6 of this Part B if:
- (a) the Assurance is within the validity period stated in the Assurance (or, if no validity period is stated, no more than 12 months has elapsed since it was issued and no more than 18 months has elapsed since the Accounting Reference Date on which the CRP Information was based); and
 - (b) no Corporate Change Events or Financial Distress Events (or events which would be deemed to be Corporate Change Events or Financial Distress Events if this Contract had then been in force) have occurred since the date of issue of the Assurance.
- 2.8 If this Contract is a Critical Service Contract, the Supplier shall provide an updated version of the CRP Information (or, in the case of Paragraph 2.8(c) of this Part B its initial CRP Information) to the Relevant Authority or Relevant Authorities:
- (a) within 14 days of the occurrence of a Financial Distress Event (along with any additional highly confidential information no longer exempted from disclosure under Paragraph 2.11 of this Part B) unless the Supplier is relieved of the consequences of the Financial Distress Event under Paragraph 7.1 of Schedule 18 (Financial Distress)
 - (b) within 30 days of a Corporate Change Event unless:
 - (i) the Supplier requests and the Relevant Authority (acting reasonably) agrees to a Corporate Change Event Grace Period, in the event of which the time period for the Supplier to comply with this Paragraph shall be extended as determined by the Relevant Authority (acting reasonably) but shall in any case be no longer than six months after the Corporate Change Event. During a Corporate Change Event Grace Period the Supplier shall regularly and fully engage with the Relevant Authority to enable it to understand the nature of the Corporate Change Event and the Relevant Authority shall reserve the right to terminate a Corporate Change Event Grace Period at any time if the Supplier fails to comply with this Paragraph; or
 - (ii) not required pursuant to Paragraph 2.10;
 - (c) within 30 days of the date that:
 - (i) the credit rating(s) of each of the Supplier and its Parent Undertakings fail to meet any of the criteria specified in Paragraph 2.10; or
 - (ii) none of the credit rating agencies specified at Paragraph 2.10 hold a public credit rating for the Supplier or any of its Parent Undertakings; and

- (d) in any event, within 6 months after each Accounting Reference Date or within 15 months
- (e) of the date of the previous Assurance received from the Relevant Authority (whichever is the earlier), unless:
 - (i) updated CRP Information has been provided under any of Paragraphs 2.8(a) 2.8(b) or 2.8(c) since the most recent Accounting Reference Date (being no more than 12 months previously) within the timescales that would ordinarily be required for the provision of that information under this Paragraph 2.8(d); or
 - (ii) unless not required pursuant to Paragraph 2.10.

2.9 Where the Supplier is a Public Sector Dependent Supplier and this Contract is not a Critical Service Contract, then on the occurrence of any of the events specified in Paragraphs 2.8(a) to (d) of this Part B, the Supplier shall provide at the request of the Relevant Authority or Relevant Authorities and within the applicable timescales for each event as set out in Paragraph 2.8 (or such longer timescales as may be notified to the Supplier by the Authority), the CRP Information to the Relevant Authority or Relevant Authorities.

2.10 Where the Supplier or a Parent Undertaking of the Supplier has a credit rating of either:

- (a) (a) Aa3 or better from Moody's; or
- (b) (b) AA- or better from Standard and Poor's; or
- (c) © AA- or better from Fitch;

the Supplier will not be required to provide any CRP Information unless or until either (i) a Financial Distress Event occurs (unless the Supplier is relieved of the consequences of the Financial Distress Event under Paragraph 7.1 of Schedule 18 (Financial Distress)) or (ii) the Supplier and its Parent Undertakings cease to fulfil the criteria set out in this Paragraph 2.10, in which cases the Supplier shall provide the updated version of the CRP Information in accordance with Paragraph 2.8.

2.11 Subject to Paragraph 4, where the Supplier demonstrates to the reasonable satisfaction of the Relevant Authority or Relevant Authorities that a particular item of CRP Information is highly confidential, the Supplier may, having orally disclosed and discussed that information with the Relevant Authority or Relevant Authorities, redact or omit that information from the CRP Information provided that if a Financial Distress Event occurs, this exemption shall no longer apply and the Supplier shall promptly provide the relevant information to the Relevant Authority or Relevant Authorities to the extent required under Paragraph 2.8.

3 Termination Rights

- 3.1 The Authority shall be entitled to terminate this Contract under Clause 31.1(b) (Termination by the Authority) if the Supplier is required to provide CRP Information under Paragraph 2 of this Part B and either:
- (a) the Supplier fails to provide the CRP Information within 4 months of the Effective Date if this is a Critical Service Contract or otherwise within 4 months of the Relevant Authority's or Relevant Authorities' request; or
 - (b) the Supplier fails to obtain an Assurance from the Relevant Authority or Relevant Authorities within 4 months of the date that it was first required to provide the CRP Information under this Contract.

4 Confidentiality and usage of CRP Information

- 4.1 The Authority agrees to keep the CRP Information confidential and use it only to understand the implications of an Insolvency Event of the Supplier and/or Supplier Group members on its UK Public Sector Business and/or services in respect of CNI and to enable contingency planning to maintain service continuity for end users and protect CNI in such eventuality.
- 4.2 Where the Relevant Authority is the Cabinet Office Markets and Suppliers Team, at the Supplier's request, the Authority shall use reasonable endeavours to procure that the Cabinet Office enters into a confidentiality and usage agreement with the Supplier containing terms no less stringent than those placed on the Authority under Paragraph 4.1 of this Part B and Clause 19 (Confidentiality).
- 4.3 The Supplier shall use reasonable endeavours to obtain consent from any third party which has restricted the disclosure of the CRP Information to enable disclosure of that information to the Relevant Authority or Relevant Authorities pursuant to Paragraph 2 of this Part B subject, where necessary, to the Relevant Authority or Relevant Authorities entering into an appropriate confidentiality agreement in the form required by the third party.
- 4.4 Where the Supplier is unable to procure consent pursuant to Paragraph 4.3 of this Part B, the Supplier shall use all reasonable endeavours to disclose the CRP Information to the fullest extent possible by limiting the amount of information it withholds including by:
- (a) redacting only those parts of the information which are subject to such obligations of confidentiality
 - (b) providing the information in a form that does not breach its obligations of confidentiality including (where possible) by:
 - (i) summarising the information;
 - (ii) grouping the information;
 - (iii) anonymising the information; and

(iv) presenting the information in general terms

- 4.5 The Supplier shall provide the Relevant Authority or Relevant Authorities with contact details of any third party which has not provided consent to disclose CRP Information where that third party is also a public sector body and where the Supplier is legally permitted to do so.

ANNEX 1: EXPOSURE INFORMATION (CONTRACTS LIST)

- 1** The Supplier shall:
 - 1.1 provide details of all agreements held by members of the Supplier Group where those agreements are for goods, services or works provision and:
 - (a) are with any UK public sector bodies including: central Government departments and their arms-length bodies and agencies, non-departmental public bodies, NHS bodies, local authorities, health bodies, police fire and rescue, education bodies and the devolved administrations;
 - (b) are with any private sector entities where the end recipient of the service, goods or works provision is any of the bodies set out in Paragraph 1.1(a) of this Annex 1 and where the member of the Supplier Group is acting as a key sub-contractor under the agreement with the end recipient; or
 - (c) involve or could reasonably be considered to involve CNI;
 - 1.2 provide the Relevant Authority with a copy of the latest version of each underlying contract worth more than [REDACTED] per contract year and their related key sub-contracts, which shall be included as embedded documents within the CRP Information or via a directly accessible link.

ANNEX 2: CORPORATE RESOLVABILITY ASSESSMENT (STRUCTURAL REVIEW)

- 1** The Supplier shall:
 - 1.1 provide sufficient information to allow the Relevant Authority to understand the implications on the Supplier Group's UK Public Sector Business and CNI contracts listed pursuant to Annex 1 if the Supplier or another member of the Supplier Group is subject to an Insolvency Event.
 - 1.2 ensure that the information is presented so as to provide a simple, effective and easily understood overview of the Supplier Group; and
 - 1.3 provide full details of the importance of each member of the Supplier Group to the Supplier Group's UK Public Sector Business and CNI contracts listed pursuant to Annex 1 and the dependencies between each.

ANNEX 3: FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND COMMENTARY

- 1 The Supplier shall:
 - 1.1 provide sufficient financial information for the Supplier Group level, contracting operating entities level, and shared services entities' level to allow the Relevant Authority to understand the current financial interconnectedness of the Supplier Group and the current performance of the Supplier as a standalone entity; and
 - 1.2 ensure that the information is presented in a simple, effective and easily understood manner.
- 2 For the avoidance of doubt the financial information to be provided pursuant to Paragraph 1 of this Annex 3 should be based on the most recent audited accounts for the relevant entities (or interim accounts where available) updated for any material changes since the Accounting Reference Date provided that such accounts are available in a reasonable timeframe to allow the Supplier to comply with its obligations under this Schedule 26 (Service Continuity Plan and Corporate Resolution Planning). If such accounts are not available in that timeframe, financial information should be based on unpublished unaudited accounts or management accounts (disclosure of which to the Cabinet Office Markets and Suppliers Team remains protected by confidentiality).

SCHEDULE 27

CONDUCT OF CLAIMS

Schedule 27 (*Conduct of Claims*)

1 INDEMNITIES

- 1.1 This Schedule shall apply to the conduct, by a Party from whom an indemnity is sought under this Contract (the “**Indemnifier**”), of claims made by a third person against a party having (or claiming to have) the benefit of the indemnity (the “**Beneficiary**”).
- 1.2 If the Beneficiary receives any notice of any claim for which it appears that the Beneficiary is, or may become, entitled to indemnification under this Contract (a “**Claim**”), the Beneficiary shall give notice in writing to the Indemnifier as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event within 10 Working Days of receipt of the same.
- 1.3 Subject to Paragraph 2, on the giving of a notice by the Beneficiary, where it appears that the Beneficiary is or may be entitled to indemnification from the Indemnifier in respect of all (but not part only) of the liability arising out of the Claim, the Indemnifier shall (subject to providing the Beneficiary with a secured indemnity to its reasonable satisfaction against all costs and expenses that it may incur by reason of such action) be entitled to dispute the Claim in the name of the Beneficiary at the Indemnifier’s own expense and take conduct of any defence, dispute, compromise or appeal of the Claim and of any incidental negotiations relating to the Claim. If the Indemnifier does elect to conduct the Claim, the Beneficiary shall give the Indemnifier all reasonable cooperation, access and assistance for the purposes of such Claim and, subject to Paragraph 2.2, the Beneficiary shall not make any admission which could be prejudicial to the defence or settlement of the Claim without the prior written consent of the Indemnifier.
- 1.4 With respect to any Claim conducted by the Indemnifier pursuant to Paragraph 1.3:
 - (a) the Indemnifier shall keep the Beneficiary fully informed and consult with it about material elements of the conduct of the Claim;
 - (b) the Indemnifier shall not bring the name of the Beneficiary into dispute;
 - (c) the Indemnifier shall not pay or settle such Claim without the prior written consent of the Beneficiary, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed; and
 - (d) the Indemnifier shall conduct the Claim with all due diligence.
- 1.5 The Beneficiary shall be entitled to have conduct of the Claim and shall be free to pay or settle any Claim on such terms as it thinks fit and without prejudice to its rights and remedies under this Contract if:

- (a) the Indemnifier is not entitled to take conduct of the Claim in accordance with Paragraph 1.3;
- (b) the Indemnifier fails to notify the Beneficiary in writing of its intention to take conduct of the relevant Claim within 10 Working Days of the notice from the Beneficiary or if the Indemnifier notifies the Beneficiary in writing that it does not intend to take conduct of the Claim; or
- (c) the Indemnifier fails to comply in any material respect with the provisions of Paragraph 1.4.

2 SENSITIVE CLAIMS

- 2.1 With respect to any Claim which the Beneficiary, acting reasonably, considers is likely to have an adverse impact on the general public's perception of the Beneficiary (a "**Sensitive Claim**"), the Indemnifier shall be entitled to take conduct of any defence, dispute, compromise or appeal of the Sensitive Claim only with the Beneficiary's prior written consent. If the Beneficiary withholds such consent and elects to conduct the defence, dispute, compromise or appeal of the Sensitive Claim itself, it shall conduct the Sensitive Claim with all due diligence and if it fails to do so, the Indemnifier shall only be liable to indemnify the Beneficiary in respect of that amount which would have been recoverable by the Beneficiary had it conducted the Sensitive Claim with all due diligence.
- 2.2 The Beneficiary shall be free at any time to give written notice to the Indemnifier that it is retaining or taking over (as the case may be) the conduct of any Claim, to which Paragraph 1.3 applies if, in the reasonable opinion of the Beneficiary, the Claim is, or has become, a Sensitive Claim.

3 RECOVERY OF SUMS

- 3.1 If the Indemnifier pays to the Beneficiary an amount in respect of an indemnity and the Beneficiary subsequently recovers (whether by payment, discount, credit, saving, relief or other benefit or otherwise) a sum which is directly referable to the fact, matter, event or circumstances giving rise to the Claim, the Beneficiary shall forthwith repay to the Indemnifier whichever is the lesser of:
 - (a) an amount equal to the sum recovered (or the value of the discount, credit, saving, relief, other benefit or amount otherwise obtained) less any out-of-pocket costs and expenses properly incurred by the Beneficiary in recovering or obtaining the same; and
 - (b) the amount paid to the Beneficiary by the Indemnifier in respect of the Claim under the relevant indemnity.

4 MITIGATION

- 4.1 Each of the Authority and the Supplier shall at all times take all reasonable steps to minimise and mitigate any loss for which the relevant Party is entitled to bring a claim against the other Party pursuant to the indemnities in this Schedule.

SCHEDULE 28
STAFF TRANSFER

Schedule 28 (*Staff Transfer*)

1 DEFINITIONS

1.1 In this Schedule, the following definitions shall apply:

“Admission Agreement”	as defined in Part A;
“Fair Deal Employees”	as defined in Part D;
“Former Supplier”	a supplier supplying services to the Authority 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 sub-contractor of such supplier (or any sub-contractor of any such sub-contractor);
“New Fair Deal”	<p>the revised Fair Deal position set out in the HM Treasury guidance: <i>“Fair Deal for staff pensions: staff transfer from central government”</i> issued in October 2013 including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) any amendments to that document immediately prior to the Relevant Transfer Date;(b) any similar pension protection in accordance with the Annexes D1-D3 inclusive to Part D of this Schedule as notified to the Supplier by the Authority;
“Notified Sub-contractor”	a Sub-contractor identified in the Annex to this Schedule to whom Transferring Authority Employees and/or Transferring Former Supplier Employees will transfer on a Relevant Transfer Date;
“Old Fair Deal”	HM Treasury Guidance <i>“Staff Transfers from Central Government: A Fair Deal for Staff Pensions”</i> issued in June 1999 including the supplementary guidance <i>“Fair Deal for Staff pensions: Procurement of Bulk Transfer Agreements and Related Issues”</i> issued in June 2004;
“Replacement Sub-contractor”	a sub-contractor of the Replacement Supplier to whom Transferring Supplier Employees will transfer

	on a Service Transfer Date (or any sub-contractor of any such sub-contractor);
“Relevant Transfer”	a transfer of employment to which the Employment Regulations applies;
“Relevant Transfer Date”	in relation to a Relevant Transfer, the date upon which the Relevant Transfer takes place. For the purposes of Part D and its Annexes, where the Supplier or a Sub-contractor was the Former Supplier and there is no Relevant Transfer of the Fair Deal Employees because they remain continuously employed by the Supplier (or Sub-contractor), references to the Relevant Transfer Date shall become references to the Operational Service Commencement Date;
“Service Transfer”	any transfer of the Services (or any part of the Services), for whatever reason, from the Supplier or any Sub-contractor to a Replacement Supplier or a Replacement Sub-contractor;
“Service Transfer Date”	the date of a Service Transfer or, if more than one, the date of the relevant Service Transfer as the context requires;
“Staffing Information”	in relation to all persons identified on the Supplier's Provisional Supplier Personnel List or Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List, as the case may be, all information required in Annex E2 in the format specified and with the identities of Data Subjects anonymised where possible. The Authority may acting reasonably make changes to the format or information requested in Annex E2 from time to time.
“Statutory Schemes”	means the CSPA, NHSPA or LGPA as defined in the Annexes to Part D of this Schedule;
“Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List”	a list provided by the Supplier of all Supplier Personnel who will transfer under the Employment Regulations on the Service Transfer Date;
“Supplier's Provisional Supplier Personnel List”	a list prepared and updated by the Supplier of all Supplier Personnel 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 Supplier;

“Transferring Authority Employees”	those employees of the Authority to whom the Employment Regulations will apply on the Relevant Transfer Date;
“Transferring Former Supplier Employees”	in relation to a Former Supplier, those employees of the Former Supplier to whom the Employment Regulations will apply on the Relevant Transfer Date; and
“Transferring Supplier Employees”	those employees of the Supplier and/or the Supplier’s Sub-contractors to whom the Employment Regulations will apply on the Service Transfer Date.

2 INTERPRETATION

- 2.1 Where a provision in this Schedule imposes an obligation on the Supplier to provide an indemnity, undertaking or warranty, the Supplier shall procure that each of its Sub-contractors shall comply with such obligation and provide such indemnity, undertaking or warranty to the Authority, Former Supplier, Replacement Supplier or Replacement Sub-contractor, as the case may be.

3 APPLICABLE PARTS OF THIS SCHEDULE

- 3.1 Only the following parts of this Schedule shall apply to this Contract:
- (a) Part B (*Staff Transfer At Start Date – Transfer From Former Supplier*)
 - (b) Part D (*Pensions*)
 - (c) Part E (*Staff Transfer on Exit*)
 - (i) Annex E1 (*List Of Notified Sub-Contractors*)
 - (ii) Annex E2 (*Staffing Information*)

Schedule 28 (Staff Transfer)

PART A: NOT USED

PART B: TRANSFERRING FORMER SUPPLIER EMPLOYEES AT COMMENCEMENT OF SERVICES

1 RELEVANT TRANSFERS

1.1 The Authority and the Supplier agree that:

- (a) the commencement of the provision of the Services or of any relevant part of the Services will be a Relevant Transfer in relation to the Transferring Former Supplier Employees; and
- (b) as a result of the operation of the Employment Regulations, the contracts of employment between each Former Supplier and the Transferring Former Supplier Employees (except in relation to any terms disapplied through the operation of regulation 10(2) of the Employment Regulations) shall have effect on and from the Relevant Transfer Date as if originally made between the Supplier and/or Notified Sub-contractor and each such Transferring Former Supplier Employee.

1.2 The Authority shall procure that each Former Supplier shall comply with all its obligations under the Employment Regulations and shall perform and discharge all its obligations in respect of all the Transferring Former Supplier Employees in respect of the period up to (but not including) the Relevant 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 which in any case are attributable in whole or in part in respect of the period up to (but not including) the Relevant Transfer Date) and the Supplier shall make, and the Authority shall procure that each Former Supplier makes, any necessary apportionments in respect of any periodic payments.

2 FORMER SUPPLIER INDEMNITIES

2.1 Subject to Paragraph 2.2, the Authority shall procure that each Former Supplier shall indemnify the Supplier and any Notified Sub-contractor against any Employee Liabilities arising from or as a result of:

- (a) any act or omission by the Former Supplier in respect of any Transferring Former Supplier Employee or any appropriate employee representative (as defined in the Employment Regulations) of any Transferring Former Supplier Employee arising before the Relevant Transfer Date;
- (b) the breach or non-observance by the Former Supplier arising before the Relevant Transfer Date of:
 - (i) any collective agreement applicable to the Transferring Former Supplier Employees; and/or
 - (ii) any custom or practice in respect of any Transferring Former Supplier Employees which the Former Supplier is contractually bound to honour;

- (c) 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:
 - (i) in relation to any Transferring Former Supplier Employee, to the extent that the proceeding, claim or demand by HMRC or other statutory authority relates to financial obligations arising before the Relevant Transfer Date; and
 - (ii) in relation to any employee who is not a Transferring Former Supplier Employee 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 Former Supplier to the Supplier and/or any Notified Sub-contractor as appropriate, to the extent that the proceeding, claim or demand by HMRC or other statutory authority relates to financial obligations in respect of the period to (but excluding) the Relevant Transfer Date;
- (d) a failure of the Former Supplier 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 Former Supplier Employees in respect of the period to (but excluding) the Relevant Transfer Date;
- (e) any claim made by or in respect of any person employed or formerly employed by the Former Supplier other than a Transferring Former Supplier Employee for whom it is alleged the Supplier and/or any Notified Sub-contractor as appropriate may be liable by virtue of this Contract and/or the Employment Regulations; and
- (f) any claim made by or in respect of a Transferring Former Supplier Employee or any appropriate employee representative (as defined in the Employment Regulations) of any Transferring Former Supplier Employee relating to any act or omission of the Former Supplier 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 Supplier or any Sub-contractor to comply with regulation 13(4) of the Employment Regulations.

2.2 The indemnities in Paragraph 2.1 shall not apply to the extent that the Employee Liabilities arise or are attributable to an act or omission of the Supplier or any Sub-contractor whether occurring or having its origin before, on or after the Relevant Transfer Date including, without limitation, any Employee Liabilities:

- (a) arising out of the resignation of any Transferring Former Supplier Employee before the Relevant Transfer Date on account of substantial detrimental changes to his/her working conditions proposed by the Supplier or any Sub-contractor to occur in the period from (and including) the Relevant Transfer Date; or

- (b) arising from the failure by the Supplier and/or any Sub-contractor to comply with its obligations under the Employment Regulations.
- 2.3 If any person who is not identified by the Authority as a Transferring Former Supplier Employee claims, or it is determined in relation to any person who is not identified by the Authority as a Transferring Former Supplier Employee, that his/her contract of employment has been transferred from a Former Supplier to the Supplier and/or any Notified Sub-contractor pursuant to the Employment Regulations then:
 - (a) the Supplier shall, or shall procure that the Notified Sub-contractor shall, within 5 Working Days of becoming aware of that fact, give notice in writing to the Authority and, where required by the Authority, to the Former Supplier; and
 - (b) the Former Supplier may offer (or may procure that a third party may offer) employment to such person within 15 Working Days of the notification by the Supplier and/or the Notified Sub-contractor or take such other reasonable steps as the Former Supplier considers appropriate to deal with the matter provided always that such steps are in compliance with applicable Law.
- 2.4 If an offer referred to in Paragraph 2.3(b) is accepted, or if the situation has otherwise been resolved by the Former Supplier and/or the Authority, the Supplier shall, or shall procure that the Notified Sub-contractor shall, immediately release the person from his/her employment or alleged employment.
- 2.5 If by the end of the 15 Working Day period specified in Paragraph 2.3(b):
 - (a) no such offer of employment has been made;
 - (b) such offer has been made but not accepted; or
 - (c) the situation has not otherwise been resolved,the Supplier and/or any Notified Sub-contractor may within 5 Working Days give notice to terminate the employment or alleged employment of such person.
- 2.6 Subject to the Supplier and/or any Notified Sub-contractor acting in accordance with the provisions of Paragraphs 2.3 to 2.5 and in accordance with all applicable proper employment procedures set out in Law, the Authority shall procure that the Former Supplier indemnifies the Supplier and/or any Notified Sub-contractor (as appropriate) against all Employee Liabilities arising out of the termination of employment pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 2.5 provided that the Supplier takes, or shall procure that the Notified Sub-contractor takes, all reasonable steps to minimise any such Employee Liabilities.

2.7 The indemnity in Paragraph 2.6:

- (a) shall not apply to:
 - (i) any claim for:
 - (A) 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
 - (B) 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 Supplier and/or any Sub-contractor; or
 - (ii) any claim that the termination of employment was unfair because the Supplier and/or Notified Sub-contractor neglected to follow a fair dismissal procedure; and
- (b) shall apply only where the notification referred to in Paragraph 2.3(a) is made by the Supplier and/or any Notified Sub-contractor (as appropriate) to the Authority and, if applicable, the Former Supplier, within 6 months of the Effective Date.

2.8 If any such person as is described in Paragraph 2.3 is neither re-employed by the Former Supplier nor dismissed by the Supplier and/or any Notified Sub-contractor within the time scales set out in Paragraph 2.5, such person shall be treated as having transferred to the Supplier or Notified Sub-contractor and the Supplier shall, or shall procure that the Notified Sub-contractor shall, comply with such obligations as may be imposed upon it under the Law.

3 SUPPLIER INDEMNITIES AND OBLIGATIONS

3.1 Subject to Paragraph 3.2, the Supplier shall indemnify the Authority and/or the Former Supplier against any Employee Liabilities arising from or as a result of:

- (a) any act or omission by the Supplier or any Sub-contractor in respect of any Transferring Former Supplier Employee or any appropriate employee representative (as defined in the Employment Regulations) of any Transferring Former Supplier Employee whether occurring before, on or after the Relevant Transfer Date;
- (b) the breach or non-observance by the Supplier or any Sub-contractor on or after the Relevant Transfer Date of:
 - (i) any collective agreement applicable to the Transferring Former Supplier Employee; and/or
 - (ii) any custom or practice in respect of any Transferring Former Supplier Employees which the Supplier or any Sub-contractor is contractually bound to honour;

- (c) any claim by any trade union or other body or person representing any Transferring Former Supplier Employees arising from or connected with any failure by the Supplier or a Sub-contractor to comply with any legal obligation to such trade union, body or person arising on or after the Relevant Transfer Date;
- (d) any proposal by the Supplier or a Sub-contractor prior to the Relevant Transfer Date to make changes to the terms and conditions of employment or working conditions of any Transferring Former Supplier Employees to their material detriment on or after their transfer to the Supplier or a Sub-contractor (as the case may be) on the Relevant Transfer Date, or to change the terms and conditions of employment or working conditions of any person who would have been a Transferring Former Supplier Employee but for their resignation (or decision to treat their employment as terminated under regulation 4(9) of the Employment Regulations) before the Relevant Transfer Date as a result of or for a reason connected to such proposed changes;
- (e) any statement communicated to or action undertaken by the Supplier or a Sub-contractor to, or in respect of, any Transferring Former Supplier Employee before the Relevant Transfer Date regarding the Relevant Transfer which has not been agreed in advance with the Authority and/or the Former Supplier in writing;
- (f) 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:
 - (i) in relation to any Transferring Former Supplier Employee, to the extent that the proceeding, claim or demand by HMRC or other statutory authority relates to financial obligations arising on or after the Relevant Transfer Date; and
 - (ii) in relation to any employee who is not a Transferring Former Supplier Employee, 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 Former Supplier to the Supplier or a Sub-contractor, to the extent that the proceeding, claim or demand by the HMRC or other statutory authority relates to financial obligations arising on or after the Relevant Transfer Date;
- (g) a failure of the Supplier or any Sub-contractor 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 Former Supplier Employees in respect of the period from (and including) the Relevant Transfer Date;
- (h) any claim made by or in respect of a Transferring Former Supplier Employee or any appropriate employee representative (as defined in

the Employment Regulations) of any Transferring Former Supplier Employee relating to any act or omission of the Supplier or any Sub-contractor in relation to obligations under regulation 13 of the Employment Regulations, except to the extent that the liability arises from the Former Supplier's failure to comply with its obligations under regulation 13 of the Employment Regulations; and

- (i) a failure by the Supplier or any Sub-Contractor to comply with its obligations under Paragraph 2.8 above
- 3.2 The indemnities in Paragraph 3.1 shall not apply to the extent that the Employee Liabilities arise or are attributable to an act or omission of the Former Supplier whether occurring or having its origin before, on or after the Relevant Transfer Date including, without limitation, any Employee Liabilities arising from the Former Supplier's failure to comply with its obligations under the Employment Regulations.
- 3.3 The Supplier shall comply, and shall procure that each Sub-contractor shall comply, with all its obligations under the Employment Regulations (including without limitation its obligation to inform and consult in accordance with regulation 13 of the Employment Regulations) and shall perform and discharge, and shall procure that each Sub-contractor shall perform and discharge, all its obligations in respect of all the Transferring Former Supplier Employees, on and from the Relevant 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 any other sums due under the Admission Agreement which in any case are attributable in whole or in part to the period from (and including) the Relevant Transfer Date) and any necessary apportionments in respect of any periodic payments shall be made between the Supplier and the Former Supplier.

4 INFORMATION

- 4.1 The Supplier shall, and shall procure that each Sub-contractor shall, promptly provide to the Authority and/or at the Authority's direction, the Former Supplier, in writing such information as is necessary to enable the Authority and/or the Former Supplier to carry out their respective duties under regulation 13 of the Employment Regulations. The Authority shall procure that the Former Supplier shall promptly provide to the Supplier and each Notified Sub-contractor in writing such information as is necessary to enable the Supplier and each Notified Sub-contractor to carry out their respective duties under regulation 13 of the Employment Regulations.

5 PRINCIPLES OF GOOD EMPLOYMENT PRACTICE

- 5.1 The Supplier shall, and shall procure that each Sub-contractor shall, comply with any requirement notified to it by the Authority relating to pensions in respect of any Transferring Former Supplier Employee as set down in:
 - (a) the Cabinet Office Statement of Practice on Staff Transfers in the Public Sector of January 2000, revised December 2013;

(b) Old Fair Deal; and/or

(c) the New Fair Deal.

- 5.2 Any changes embodied in any statement of practice, paper or other guidance that replaces any of the documentation referred to in Paragraph 5.1 shall be agreed in accordance with the Change Control Procedure.

6 PROCUREMENT OBLIGATIONS

- 6.1 Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Part B, where in this Part B the Authority accepts an obligation to procure that a Former Supplier does or does not do something, such obligation shall be limited so that it extends only to the extent that the Authority's contract with the Former Supplier contains a contractual right in that regard which the Authority may enforce, or otherwise so that it requires only that the Authority must use reasonable endeavours to procure that the Former Supplier does or does not act accordingly.

7 PENSIONS

- 7.1 The Supplier shall, and shall procure that each Sub-contractor shall, comply with:
- (a) the requirements of Part 1 of the Pensions Act 2008, section 258 of the Pensions Act 2004 and the Transfer of Employment (Pension Protection) Regulations 2005 for all transferring staff; and
 - (b) Part D (and its Annexes) to this Staff Transfer Schedule.

PART C: NOT USED

PART D: PENSIONS

1 DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 In this Part D and Part E, the following words have the following meanings and they shall supplement Schedule 1 (Definitions), and shall be deemed to include the definitions set out in the Annexes to this Part D:

"Actuary"	a Fellow of the Institute and Faculty of Actuaries;
"Admission Agreement"	either or both of the CSPS Admission Agreement (as defined in Annex D1: CSPS) or the LGPS Admission Agreement) as defined in Annex D3: LGPS), as the context requires;
"Best Value Direction"	the Best Value Authorities Staff Transfers (Pensions) Direction 2007 or the Welsh Authorities Staff Transfers (Pensions) Direction 2012 (as appropriate);
"Broadly Comparable"	<p>(a) in respect of a pension scheme, a status satisfying the condition that there are no identifiable employees who will suffer material detriment overall in terms of future accrual of pension benefits as assessed in accordance with Annex A of New Fair Deal and demonstrated by the issue by the Government Actuary's Department of a broad comparability certificate; and/or</p> <p>(b) in respect of benefits provided for or in respect of a member under a pension scheme, benefits that are consistent with that pension scheme's certificate of broad comparability issued by the Government Actuary's Department,</p> <p>and "Broad Comparability" shall be construed accordingly;</p>
"CSPS"	the schemes as defined in Annex D1 to this Part D;
"Direction Letter/Determination"	has the meaning in Annex D2 to this Part D;
"Fair Deal Eligible Employees"	means each of the CSPS Eligible Employees (as defined in Annex D1 to this Part D), the NHSPS Eligible Employees (as defined in Annex D2 to this Part D) and/or the LGPS Eligible Employees (as defined in Annex D3 to this Part D) (as applicable) (and shall include any such employee who has been

admitted to and/or remains eligible to join a Broadly Comparable pension scheme at the relevant time in accordance with Paragraph 10 or 11 of this Part D);

"Fair Deal Employees"

any of:

- (a) Transferring Authority Employees;
- (b) Transferring Former Supplier Employees; and/or
- (c) employees who are not Transferring Authority Employees or Transferring Former Supplier Employees but to whom the Employment Regulations apply on the Relevant Transfer Date to transfer their employment to the Supplier or a Sub-Contractor, and whose employment is not terminated in accordance with the provisions of Paragraphs 2.5 of Parts A or B or Paragraph 1.4 of Part C;
- (d) where the Supplier or a Sub-contractor was the Former Supplier, the employees of the Supplier (or Sub-contractor)
- (e) who at the Relevant Transfer Date are or become entitled to New Fair Deal or Best Value Direction protection in respect of any of the Statutory Schemes or a Broadly Comparable pension scheme provided in accordance with Paragraph 10 of this Part D as notified by the Authority;

"Fund Actuary"

a Fund Actuary as defined in Annex D3 to this Part D;

"LGPS"

the scheme as defined in Annex D3 to this Part D;

"NHSPS"

the schemes as defined in Annex D2 to this Part D; and

"New Fair Deal"

the 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:

any amendments to that document immediately prior to the Relevant Transfer Date; and

any similar pension protection in accordance with the subsequent Annex D1-D3 inclusive as notified to the Supplier by the Authority.

2 PARTICIPATION

- 2.1 In respect of all or any Fair Deal Employees each of Annex D1: CSPS, Annex D2: NHSPS and/or Annex D3: LGPS shall apply, as appropriate.
- 2.2 The Supplier undertakes to do all such things and execute any documents (including any relevant Admission Agreement and/or Direction Letter/Determination, if necessary) as may be required to enable the Supplier to participate in the appropriate Statutory Scheme in respect of the Fair Deal Employees and shall bear its own costs in such regard.
- 2.3 The Supplier undertakes:
- (a) to pay to the Statutory Schemes all such amounts as are due under the relevant Admission Agreement and/or Direction Letter/Determination or otherwise and shall deduct and pay to the Statutory Schemes such employee contributions as are required; and
 - (b) subject to Paragraph 12 of Annex D3: LGPS to be fully responsible for all other costs, contributions, payments and other amounts relating to its participation in the Statutory Schemes, including for the avoidance of doubt any exit payments and the costs of providing any bond, indemnity or guarantee required in relation to such participation.
- 2.4 Where the Supplier is the Former Supplier (or a Sub-contractor is a sub-contractor of the Former Supplier) and there is no Relevant Transfer of the Fair Deal Employees because they remain continuously employed by the Supplier (or Sub-contractor) at the Operational Service Commencement Date, this Part D and its Annexes shall be modified accordingly so that the Supplier (or Sub-contractor) shall comply with its requirements from the Operational Service Commencement Date or, where it previously provided a Broadly Comparable pension scheme, from the date it is able to close accrual of its Broadly Comparable pension scheme (following appropriate consultation and contractual changes as appropriate) if later. The Supplier (or Sub-contractor) shall make arrangements for a bulk transfer from its Broadly Comparable pension scheme to the relevant Statutory Scheme in accordance with the requirements of the previous contract with the Authority.

3 PROVISION OF INFORMATION

- 3.1 The Supplier undertakes to the Authority:
- (a) to provide all information which the Authority may reasonably request concerning matters referred to in this Part D as expeditiously as possible;
 - (b) not to issue any announcements to any Fair Deal Employee prior to the Relevant Transfer Date concerning the matters stated in this

Part D without the consent in writing of the Authority (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed); and

- (c) retain such records as would be necessary to manage the pension aspects in relation to any current or former Fair Deal Eligible Employees arising on expiry or termination of this Contract.

4 INDEMNITIES

4.1 The Supplier shall indemnify and keep indemnified the Authority, any Replacement Supplier and/or any Replacement Sub-contractor on demand from and against all and any Losses whatsoever suffered or incurred by it or them which:

- (a) arise out of or in connection with any liability towards all and any Fair Deal Employees in respect of service on or after the Relevant Transfer Date which arises from any breach by the Supplier of this Part D, and/or the CSPA Admission Agreement and/or the Direction Letter/Determination and/or the LGPS Admission Agreement;
- (b) relate to the payment of benefits under and/or participation in a pension scheme (as defined in section 150(1) Finance Act 2004) provided by the Supplier or a Sub-contractor on and after the Relevant Transfer Date until the date of termination or expiry of this Contract, including the Statutory Schemes or any Broadly Comparable pension scheme provided in accordance with Paragraphs 10 or 11 of this Part D;
- (c) relate to claims by Fair Deal Employees of the Supplier and/or of any Sub-contractor or by any trade unions, elected employee representatives or staff associations in respect of all or any such Fair Deal Employees which Losses:
 - (i) relate to any rights to benefits under a pension scheme (as defined in section 150(1) Finance Act 2004) in respect of periods of employment on and after the Relevant Transfer Date until the date of termination or expiry of this Contract;
 - (ii) arise out of the failure of the Supplier and/or any relevant Sub-contractor to comply with the provisions of this Part D before the date of termination or expiry of this Contract; and/or
- (d) arise out of or in connection with the Supplier (or its Sub-contractor) allowing anyone who is not an NHSPS Fair Deal Employee to join or claim membership of the NHSPS at any time during the Term.

4.2 The indemnities in this Part D and its Annexes:

- (a) shall survive termination of this Contract; and
- (b) shall not be affected by the caps on liability contained in Clause 23 (*Limitations on Liability*).

5 DISPUTES

- 5.1 The Dispute Resolution Procedure will not apply to any dispute (i) between the Authority and/or the Supplier or (ii) between their respective actuaries and/or the Fund Actuary about any of the actuarial matters referred to in this Part D and its Annexes shall in the absence of agreement between the Authority and/or the Supplier be referred to an independent Actuary:
- (a) who will act as an expert and not as an arbitrator;
 - (b) whose decision will be final and binding on the Authority and/or the Supplier; and
 - (c) whose expenses shall be borne equally by the Authority and/or the Supplier unless the independent Actuary shall otherwise direct.
- 5.2 The independent Actuary shall be agreed by the Parties or, failing such agreement the independent Actuary shall be appointed by the President for the time being of the Institute and Faculty of Actuaries on the application by the Parties.

6 THIRD PARTY RIGHTS

- 6.1 The Parties agree Clause 41 (*Third Party Rights*) does not apply and that the CRTPA applies to this Part D to the extent necessary to ensure that any Fair Deal Employee will have the right to enforce any obligation in respect of to him or her by the Supplier under this Part D, in his or her or its own right under section 1(1) of the CRTPA.
- 6.2 Further, the Supplier must ensure that the CRTPA will apply to any Sub-contract to the extent necessary to ensure that any Fair Deal Employee will have the right to enforce any obligation owed to them by the Sub-contractor in his or her own right under section 1(1) of the CRTPA.

7 BREACH

- 7.1 The Supplier agrees to notify the Authority should it breach any obligations it has under this Part D and agrees that the Authority shall be entitled to terminate its Contract for material Default in the event that the Supplier:
- (a) commits an irremediable breach of any provision or obligation it has under this Part D; or
 - (b) commits a breach of any provision or obligation it has under this Part D which, where capable of remedy, it fails to remedy within a reasonable time and in any event within 28 days of the date of a notice from the Authority giving particulars of the breach and requiring the Supplier to remedy it.

8 TRANSFER TO ANOTHER EMPLOYER/SUB-CONTRACTORS

- 8.1 Save on expiry or termination of this Contract, if the employment of any Fair Deal Eligible Employee transfers to another employer (by way of a transfer under the Employment Regulations or other form of compulsory transfer of

employment), the Supplier shall or shall procure that any relevant Sub-contractor shall:

- (a) notify the Authority as far as reasonably practicable in advance of the transfer to allow the Authority to make the necessary arrangements for participation with the relevant Statutory Scheme(s);
- (b) consult with about, and inform those Fair Deal Eligible Employees of, the pension provisions relating to that transfer; and
- (c) procure that the employer to which the Fair Deal Eligible Employees are transferred (the "**New Employer**") complies with the provisions of this Part D and its Annexes provided that references to the "Supplier" will become references to the New Employer, references to "Relevant Transfer Date" will become references to the date of the transfer to the New Employer and references to "Fair Deal Employees" will become references to the Fair Deal Eligible Employees so transferred to the New Employer.

9 PENSION ISSUES ON EXPIRY OR TERMINATION

- 9.1 The provisions of Part E: Staff Transfer On Exit (Mandatory) apply in relation to pension issues on expiry or termination of this Contract.
- 9.2 The Supplier shall (and shall procure that any of its Sub-contractors shall) prior to the termination of this Contract provide all such co-operation and assistance (including co-operation and assistance from the Broadly Comparable pension scheme's Actuary) as the Replacement Supplier and/or NHS Pension and/or CSPS and/or the relevant Administering Authority and/or the Authority may reasonably require, to enable the Replacement Supplier to participate in the appropriate Statutory Scheme in respect of any Fair Deal Eligible Employee that remains eligible for New Fair Deal protection following a Service Transfer.

10 BROADLY COMPARABLE PENSION SCHEME ON RELEVANT TRANSFER DATE

- 10.1 If the terms of any of Paragraphs 4 of Annex D2: NHSPS or 3.1 of Annex D3: LGPS applies, the Supplier must (and must, where relevant, procure that each of its Sub-contractors will) ensure that, with effect from the Relevant Transfer Date until the day before the Service Transfer Date, the relevant Fair Deal Employees will be eligible for membership of a pension scheme under which the benefits are Broadly Comparable to those provided under the relevant Statutory Scheme, and then on such terms as may be decided by the Authority.
- 10.2 Such Broadly Comparable pension scheme must be:
 - (a) established by the Relevant Transfer Date;
 - (b) a registered pension scheme for the purposes of Part 4 of the Finance Act 2004;
 - (c) capable of receiving a bulk transfer payment from the relevant Statutory Scheme or from a Former Supplier's Broadly Comparable pension scheme (unless otherwise instructed by the Authority);

- (d) capable of paying a bulk transfer payment to the Replacement Supplier's Broadly Comparable pension scheme (or the relevant Statutory Scheme if applicable) (unless otherwise instructed by the Authority); and
- (e) maintained until such bulk transfer payments have been received or paid (unless otherwise instructed by the Authority).

10.3 Where the Supplier has provided a Broadly Comparable pension scheme pursuant to the provisions of this Paragraph 10, the Supplier shall (and shall procure that any of its Sub-contractors shall):

- (a) supply to the Authority details of its (or its Sub-contractor's) Broadly Comparable pension scheme and provide a full copy of the valid certificate of broad comparability (which remains valid as at the Relevant Transfer Date) covering all relevant Fair Deal Employees, as soon as it is able to do so before the Relevant Transfer Date (where possible) and in any event no later than seven (7) days after receipt of the certificate;
- (b) be fully responsible for all costs, contributions, payments and other amounts relating to the setting up, certification of, ongoing participation in and/or withdrawal and exit from the Broadly Comparable pension scheme, including for the avoidance of doubt any debts arising under section 75 or 75A of the Pensions Act 1995;
- (c) instruct any such Broadly Comparable pension scheme's Actuary to provide all such co-operation and assistance in agreeing bulk transfer process with the Actuary to the Former Supplier's Broadly Comparable pension scheme or the Actuary to the relevant Statutory Scheme (as appropriate) and to provide all such co-operation and assistance with any other Actuary appointed by the Authority (where applicable). This will be with a view to the bulk transfer terms providing day for day and/or pound for pound (as applicable) (or actuarially equivalent where there are benefit differences between the two schemes) credits in the Broadly Comparable pension scheme in respect of any Fair Deal Eligible Employee who consents to such a transfer; and
- (d) provide a replacement Broadly Comparable pension scheme in accordance with this Paragraph 10 with immediate effect for those Fair Deal Eligible Employees who are still employed by the Supplier and/or relevant Sub-contractor and are still eligible for New Fair Deal protection in the event that the Supplier and/or Sub-contractor's Broadly Comparable pension scheme is closed to future accrual and/or terminated. The relevant Fair Deal Eligible Employees must be given the option to transfer their accrued benefits from the previous Broadly Comparable pension scheme to the new Broadly Comparable pension scheme on day for day and/or pound for pound terms (as applicable) (or actuarially equivalent where there are benefit differences between the two schemes).

10.4 Where the Supplier has provided a Broadly Comparable pension scheme pursuant to the provisions of this Paragraph 10, the Supplier shall (and shall procure that any of its Sub-contractors shall) prior to the termination of this Contract:

- (a) allow and make all necessary arrangements to effect, in respect of any Fair Deal Eligible Employee that remains eligible for New Fair Deal protection, following a Service Transfer, the bulk transfer of past service from any such Broadly Comparable pension scheme into the Replacement Supplier's Broadly Comparable pension scheme (or the relevant Statutory Scheme if applicable). The bulk transfer terms provided shall be on a past service reserve basis which should be calculated allowing for projected final salary at the assumed date of retirement, leaving service or death (in the case of final salary benefits). The actuarial basis for this past service reserve basis should be aligned to the funding requirements of the Broadly Comparable pension scheme in place at the time the bulk transfer terms are offered. The bulk transfer terms shall be subject to an underpin in relation to any service credits awarded in the Broadly Comparable pension scheme in accordance with Paragraph 10.3(c) such that the element of the past service reserve amount which relates to such service credits shall be no lower than that required by the bulk transfer terms that were agreed in accordance with Paragraph 10.3(c) but using the last day of the Fair Deal Eligible Employees' employment with the Supplier or Sub-contractor (as appropriate) as the date used to determine the actuarial assumptions; and
- (b) if the transfer payment paid by the trustees of the Broadly Comparable pension scheme is less (in the opinion of the Actuary to the Replacement Supplier's Broadly Comparable pension scheme (or to the relevant Statutory Scheme if applicable)) than the transfer payment which would have been paid had Paragraph 10.4(a) been complied with, the Supplier shall (or shall procure that the Sub-contractor shall) pay the amount of the difference to the Replacement Supplier's Broadly Comparable pension scheme (or relevant Statutory Scheme if applicable) or as the Authority shall otherwise direct. The Supplier shall indemnify the Authority or the Replacement Supplier's Broadly Comparable pension scheme (or the relevant Statutory Scheme if applicable) (as the Authority directs) for any failure to pay the difference as required under this Paragraph.

11 BROADLY COMPARABLE PENSION SCHEME IN OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES

11.1 If the terms of any of Paragraphs 2.2 of Annex D1: CSPS, 5.2 of Annex D2: NHSPS and/or 10.2 of Annex D3: LGPS apply, the Supplier must (and must, where relevant, procure that each of its Sub-contractors will) ensure that, with effect from the cessation of participation in the Statutory Scheme, until the day before the Service Transfer Date, the relevant Fair Deal Eligible Employees will be eligible for membership of a pension scheme under which the benefits are

Broadly Comparable to those provided under the relevant Statutory Scheme at the date of cessation of participation in the relevant Statutory Scheme, and then on such terms as may be decided by the Authority.

11.2 Such Broadly Comparable pension scheme must be:

- (a) established by the date of cessation of participation in the Statutory Scheme;
- (b) a registered pension scheme for the purposes of Part 4 of the Finance Act 2004;
- (c) capable of receiving a bulk transfer payment from the relevant Statutory Scheme (where instructed to do so by the Authority);
- (d) capable of paying a bulk transfer payment to the Replacement Supplier's Broadly Comparable pension scheme (or the relevant Statutory Scheme if applicable) (unless otherwise instructed by the Authority); and
- (e) maintained until such bulk transfer payments have been received or paid (unless otherwise instructed by the Authority).

11.3 Where the Supplier has provided a Broadly Comparable pension scheme pursuant to the provisions of this Paragraph 11, the Supplier shall (and shall procure that any of its Sub-contractors shall):

- (a) supply to the Authority details of its (or its Sub-contractor's) Broadly Comparable pension scheme and provide a full copy of the valid certificate of broad comparability (which remains valid as at the date of cessation of participation in the Statutory Scheme) covering all relevant Fair Deal Eligible Employees, as soon as it is able to do so before the cessation of participation in the Statutory Scheme (where possible) and in any event no later than seven (7) days after receipt of the certificate;
- (b) be fully responsible for all costs, contributions, payments and other amounts relating to the setting up, certification of, ongoing participation in and/or withdrawal and exit from the Broadly Comparable pension scheme, including for the avoidance of doubt any debts arising under section 75 or 75A of the Pensions Act 1995; and
- (c) where required to do so by the Authority, instruct any such Broadly Comparable pension scheme's Actuary to provide all such co-operation and assistance in agreeing a bulk transfer process with the Actuary to the relevant Statutory Scheme and to provide all such co-operation and assistance with any other Actuary appointed by the Authority (where applicable). The Supplier must ensure that day for day and/or pound for pound (as applicable) (or actuarially equivalent where there are benefit differences between the two schemes) credits in the Broadly Comparable pension scheme are provided in respect of any Fair Deal Employee who consents to such a transfer from the

Statutory Scheme and the Supplier shall be fully responsible for any costs of providing those credits in excess of the bulk transfer payment received by the Broadly Comparable pension scheme; and

- (d) provide a replacement Broadly Comparable pension scheme in accordance with this Paragraph 11 with immediate effect for those Fair Deal Eligible Employees who are still employed by the Supplier and/or relevant Sub-contractor and are still eligible for New Fair Deal protection in the event that the Supplier and/or Sub-contractor's Broadly Comparable pension scheme is closed to future accrual and/or terminated. The relevant Fair Deal Eligible Employees must be given the option to transfer their accrued benefits from the previous Broadly Comparable pension scheme to the new Broadly Comparable pension scheme on day for day and/or pound for pound terms (as applicable) (or actuarially equivalent where there are benefit differences between the two schemes).

11.4 Where the Supplier has provided a Broadly Comparable pension scheme pursuant to the provisions of this Paragraph 11, the Supplier shall (and shall procure that any of its Sub-contractors shall) prior to the termination of this Contract allow and make all necessary arrangements to effect, in respect of any Fair Deal Eligible Employee that remains eligible for New Fair Deal protection, following a Service Transfer, the bulk transfer of past service from any such Broadly Comparable pension scheme into the Replacement Supplier's Broadly Comparable pension scheme (or relevant Statutory Scheme if applicable). The bulk transfer terms provided shall be sufficient to secure day for day and/or pound for pound credits (as applicable) (or actuarially equivalent where there are benefit differences between the two schemes) in the Replacement Supplier's Broadly Comparable pension scheme (or relevant Statutory Scheme if applicable). For the avoidance of doubt, should the amount offered by the Broadly Comparable pension scheme be less than the amount required by the Replacement Supplier's Broadly Comparable pension scheme (or the relevant Statutory Scheme if applicable) to fund the required credits ("**the Shortfall**"), the Supplier or the Sub-contractor (as agreed between them) must pay the Replacement Supplier's Broadly Comparable pension scheme (or relevant Statutory Scheme if applicable) the Shortfall as required, provided that in the absence of any agreement between the Supplier and any Sub-contractor, the Shortfall shall be paid by the Supplier. The Supplier shall indemnify the Authority or the Replacement Supplier's Broadly Comparable pension scheme (or the relevant Statutory Scheme if applicable) (as the Authority directs) for any failure to pay the Shortfall under this Paragraph.

12 RIGHT OF SET-OFF

12.1 The Authority shall have a right to set off against any payments due to the Supplier under this Contract an amount equal to:

- (a) any unpaid employer's contributions or employee's contributions or any other financial obligations under the CSPS or any CSPS Admission Agreement in respect of the CSPS Eligible Employees whether due from the Supplier or from any relevant Sub-contractor or due from any third party under any indemnity, bond or guarantee;

- (b) any unpaid employer's contributions or employee's contributions or any other financial obligations under the NHSPS or any Direction Letter/Determination in respect of the NHSPS Eligible Employees whether due from the Supplier or from any relevant Sub-contractor or due from any third party under any indemnity, bond or guarantee; or
- (c) any unpaid employer's contributions or employee's contributions or any other financial obligations under the LGPS or any LGPS Admission Agreement in respect of the LGPS Eligible Employees whether due from the Supplier or from any relevant Sub-contractor or due from any third party under any indemnity, bond or guarantee;

and shall pay such set off amount to the relevant Statutory Scheme.

- 12.2 The Authority shall also have a right to set off against any payments due to the Supplier under this Contract all reasonable costs and expenses incurred by the Authority as result of Paragraphs 12.1 above.

ANNEX D1: NOT USED

ANNEX D2: NOT USED

ANNEX D3: NOT USED

ANNEX D4: OTHER SCHEMES

[Guidance: Placeholder for Pension Schemes other than LGPS, CSPA & NHSPA]

PART E: EMPLOYMENT EXIT PROVISIONS

1 PRE-SERVICE TRANSFER OBLIGATIONS

1.1 The Supplier agrees that within 20 Working Days of the earliest of:

- (a) receipt of a notification from the Authority of a Service Transfer or intended Service Transfer;
- (b) receipt of the giving of notice of early termination or any Partial Termination of this Contract;
- (c) the date which is 12 months before the end of the Term; and
- (d) receipt of a written request of the Authority at any time (provided that the Authority 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 DPA, the Supplier's Provisional Supplier Personnel List, together with the Staffing Information and it shall provide an updated Supplier's Provisional Supplier Personnel List at such intervals as are reasonably requested by the Authority.

1.2 At least 20 Working Days prior to the Service Transfer Date, the Supplier shall provide to the Authority or at the direction of the Authority to any Replacement Supplier and/or any Replacement Sub-contractor:

- (a) the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List, which shall identify which of the Supplier Personnel are Transferring Supplier Employees; and
- (b) the Staffing Information in relation to the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List (insofar as such information has not previously been provided).

1.3 The Authority shall be permitted to use and disclose information provided by the Supplier under Paragraphs 1.1 and 1.2 for the purpose of informing any prospective Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Sub-contractor.

1.4 The Supplier warrants, for the benefit of the Authority, any Replacement Supplier, and any Replacement Sub-contractor 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(a), 1.1(b) and 1.1(c), the Supplier agrees, that it shall not, and agrees to procure that each Sub-contractor shall not, assign any person to the provision of the Services who is not listed on the Supplier's Provisional Supplier Personnel List and shall not without the approval of the Authority (not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed):

- (a) replace or re-deploy any Supplier Personnel listed on the Supplier Provisional Supplier 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;

- (b) make, promise, propose, permit or implement any material changes to the terms and conditions of employment of the Supplier Personnel (including pensions and any payments connected with the termination of employment);
- (c) increase the proportion of working time spent on the Services (or the relevant part of the Services) by any of the Supplier Personnel save for fulfilling assignments and projects previously scheduled and agreed;
- (d) 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 Supplier's Provisional Supplier Personnel List;
- (e) 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); or
- (f) terminate or give notice to terminate the employment or contracts of any persons on the Supplier's Provisional Supplier Personnel List save by due disciplinary process,

and shall promptly notify, and procure that each Sub-contractor shall promptly notify, the Authority or, at the direction of the Authority, any Replacement Supplier and any Replacement Sub-contractor of any notice to terminate employment given by the Supplier or relevant Sub-contractor or received from any persons listed on the Supplier's Provisional Supplier Personnel List regardless of when such notice takes effect.

- 1.6 During the Term, the Supplier shall provide, and shall procure that each Sub-contractor shall provide, to the Authority any information the Authority may reasonably require relating to the manner in which the Services are organised, which shall include:

- (a) the numbers of employees engaged in providing the Services;
- (b) the percentage of time spent by each employee engaged in providing the Services;
- (c) 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*) of this Schedule 28 (*Staff Transfer*) (as appropriate); and
- (d) a description of the nature of the work undertaken by each employee by location.

- 1.7 The Supplier shall provide, and shall procure that each Sub-contractor shall provide, all reasonable cooperation and assistance to the Authority, any Replacement Supplier and/or any Replacement Sub-contractor to ensure the

smooth transfer of the Transferring Supplier 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 Supplier Employees to be paid as appropriate. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, within 5 Working Days following the Service Transfer Date, the Supplier shall provide, and shall procure that each Sub-contractor shall provide, to the Authority or, at the direction of the Authority, to any Replacement Supplier and/or any Replacement Sub-contractor (as appropriate), in respect of each person on the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List who is a Transferring Supplier Employee:

- (a) the most recent month's copy pay slip data;
- (b) details of cumulative pay for tax and pension purposes;
- (c) details of cumulative tax paid;
- (d) tax code;
- (e) details of any voluntary deductions from pay; and
- (f) bank/building society account details for payroll purposes.

2 EMPLOYMENT REGULATIONS EXIT PROVISIONS

- 2.1 The Authority and the Supplier 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 this Contract or otherwise) resulting in the Services being undertaken by a Replacement Supplier and/or a Replacement Sub-contractor. Such change in the identity of the supplier of such services may constitute a Relevant Transfer to which the Employment Regulations will apply. The Authority and the Supplier further agree that, as a result of the operation of the Employment Regulations, where a Relevant Transfer occurs, the contracts of employment between the Supplier and the Transferring Supplier 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 Supplier and/or a Replacement Sub-contractor (as the case may be) and each such Transferring Supplier Employee.
- 2.2 The Supplier shall, and shall procure that each Sub-contractor shall, comply with all its obligations in respect of the Transferring Supplier 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 Sub-contractor shall perform and discharge, all its obligations in respect of all the Transferring Supplier Employees arising in respect of the period up to (and including) 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 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 Supplier and/or the Sub-contractor (as appropriate); and (ii) the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Sub-contractor.

2.3 Subject to Paragraph 2.4, the Supplier shall indemnify the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier and/or any Replacement Sub-contractor against any Employee Liabilities arising from or as a result of:

- (a) any act or omission of the Supplier or any Sub-contractor in respect of any Transferring Supplier Employee or any appropriate employee representative (as defined in the Employment Regulations) of any Transferring Supplier Employee whether occurring before, on or after the Service Transfer Date;
- (b) the breach or non-observance by the Supplier or any Sub-contractor occurring on or before the Service Transfer Date of:
 - (i) any collective agreement applicable to the Transferring Supplier Employees; and/or
 - (ii) any other custom or practice with a trade union or staff association in respect of any Transferring Supplier Employees which the Supplier or any Sub-contractor is contractually bound to honour;
- (c) any claim by any trade union or other body or person representing any Transferring Supplier Employees arising from or connected with any failure by the Supplier or a Sub-contractor to comply with any legal obligation to such trade union, body or person arising on or before the Service Transfer Date;
- (d) 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:
 - (i) in relation to any Transferring Supplier 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
 - (ii) in relation to any employee who is not identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier 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 Supplier to the Authority and/or Replacement Supplier and/or any Replacement Sub-contractor, 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;

- (e) a failure of the Supplier or any Sub-contractor 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 Supplier Employees in respect of the period up to (and including) the Service Transfer Date);
 - (f) any claim made by or in respect of any person employed or formerly employed by the Supplier or any Sub-contractor other than a Transferring Supplier Employee identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List for whom it is alleged the Authority and/or the Replacement Supplier and/or any Replacement Sub-contractor may be liable by virtue of this Contract and/or the Employment Regulations; and
 - (g) any claim made by or in respect of a Transferring Supplier Employee or any appropriate employee representative (as defined in the Employment Regulations) of any Transferring Supplier Employee relating to any act or omission of the Supplier or any Sub-contractor 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 Authority and/or Replacement Supplier 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 Supplier and/or any Replacement Sub-contractor whether occurring or having its origin before, on or after the Service Transfer Date, including any Employee Liabilities:
- (a) arising out of the resignation of any Transferring Supplier Employee before the Service Transfer Date on account of substantial detrimental changes to his/her working conditions proposed by the Replacement Supplier and/or any Replacement Sub-contractor to occur in the period on or after the Service Transfer Date); or
 - (b) arising from the Replacement Supplier's failure, and/or Replacement Sub-contractor's failure, to comply with its obligations under the Employment Regulations.
- 2.5 If any person who is not identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel list claims, or it is determined in relation to any person who is not identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel list, that his/her contract of employment has been transferred from the Supplier or any Sub-contractor to the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Sub-contractor pursuant to the Employment Regulations, then:
- (a) the Authority shall procure that the Replacement Supplier shall, or any Replacement Sub-contractor shall, within 5 Working Days of becoming aware of that fact, give notice in writing to the Supplier; and
 - (b) the Supplier may offer (or may procure that a Sub-contractor may offer) employment to such person within 15 Working Days of the

notification by the Replacement Supplier and/or any and/or Replacement Sub-contractor or take such other reasonable steps as it considers appropriate to deal with the matter provided always that such steps are in compliance with Law.

2.6 If such offer is accepted, or if the situation has otherwise been resolved by the Supplier or a Sub-contractor, the Authority shall procure that the Replacement Supplier shall, or procure that the Replacement Sub-contractor shall, immediately release or procure the release of the person from his/her employment or alleged employment.

2.7 If after the 15 Working Day period specified in Paragraph 2.5(b) has elapsed:

- (a) no such offer of employment has been made;
- (b) such offer has been made but not accepted; or
- (c) the situation has not otherwise been resolved

the Authority shall advise the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Sub-contractor, 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 Supplier and/or Replacement Sub-contractor 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, the Supplier shall indemnify the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Sub-contractor against all Employee Liabilities arising out of the termination of employment pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 2.7 provided that the Replacement Supplier takes, or shall procure that the Replacement Sub-contractor takes, all reasonable steps to minimise any such Employee Liabilities.

2.9 The indemnity in Paragraph 2.8:

- (a) shall not apply to:
 - (i) any claim for:
 - (A) 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
 - (B) 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 Supplier and/or Replacement Sub-contractor; or
 - (ii) any claim that the termination of employment was unfair because the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Sub-contractor neglected to follow a fair dismissal procedure; and
- (b) shall apply only where the notification referred to in Paragraph 2.5(a) is made by the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Sub-

contractor to the Supplier 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 Supplier or any Sub-contractor nor dismissed by the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Sub-contractor within the time scales set out in Paragraphs 2.5 to 2.7, such person shall be treated as a Transferring Supplier Employee.
- 2.11 The Supplier shall comply, and shall procure that each Sub-contractor shall comply, with all its obligations under the Employment Regulations and shall perform and discharge, and shall procure that each Sub-contractor shall perform and discharge, all its obligations in respect of any person identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier 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 Supplier and/or any Sub-contractor; and
 - (b) the Replacement Supplier and/or the Replacement Sub-contractor.
- 2.12 The Supplier shall, and shall procure that each Sub-contractor shall, promptly provide to the Authority and any Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Sub-contractor, in writing such information as is necessary to enable the Authority, the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Sub-contractor to carry out their respective duties under regulation 13 of the Employment Regulations. The Authority shall procure that the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Sub-contractor, shall promptly provide to the Supplier and each Sub-contractor in writing such information as is necessary to enable the Supplier and each Sub-contractor to carry out their respective duties under regulation 13 of the Employment Regulations.
- 2.13 Subject to Paragraph 2.14, the Authority shall procure that the Replacement Supplier indemnifies the Supplier on its own behalf and on behalf of any Replacement Sub-contractor and its sub-contractors against any Employee Liabilities arising from or as a result of:
- (a) any act or omission of the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Sub-contractor in respect of any Transferring Supplier Employee identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List or any appropriate employee representative (as defined in the Employment Regulations) of any such Transferring Supplier Employee;
 - (b) the breach or non-observance by the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Sub-contractor on or after the Service Transfer Date of:

- (i) any collective agreement applicable to the Transferring Supplier Employees identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List; and/or
 - (ii) any custom or practice in respect of any Transferring Supplier Employees identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List which the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Sub-contractor is contractually bound to honour;
- (c) any claim by any trade union or other body or person representing any Transferring Supplier Employees identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List arising from or connected with any failure by the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Sub-contractor to comply with any legal obligation to such trade union, body or person arising on or after the Service Transfer Date;
- (d) any proposal by the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Sub-contractor to change the terms and conditions of employment or working conditions of any Transferring Supplier Employees identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List on or after their transfer to the Replacement Supplier or Replacement Sub-contractor (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 Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List who would have been a Transferring Supplier 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;
- (e) any statement communicated to or action undertaken by the Replacement Supplier or Replacement Sub-contractor to, or in respect of, any Transferring Supplier Employee identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List on or before the Service Transfer Date regarding the Relevant Transfer which has not been agreed in advance with the Supplier in writing;
- (f) 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:
 - (i) in relation to any Transferring Supplier Employee identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier 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
 - (ii) in relation to any employee who is not a Transferring Supplier Employee identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier 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 Supplier or Sub-contractor, to the Replacement Supplier or Replacement Sub-contractor 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;

- (g) a failure of the Replacement Supplier or Replacement Sub-contractor 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 Supplier Employees identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List in respect of the period from (and including) the Service Transfer Date; and
 - (h) any claim made by or in respect of a Transferring Supplier Employee identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List or any appropriate employee representative (as defined in the Employment Regulations) of any such Transferring Supplier Employee relating to any act or omission of the Replacement Supplier or Replacement Sub-contractor 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 Supplier and/or any Sub-contractor (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 Supplier and/or any Sub-contractor (as applicable) to comply with its obligations under the Employment Regulations.

ANNEX E1: LIST OF NOTIFIED SUB-CONTRACTORS

ANNEX E2: STAFFING INFORMATION

SCHEDULE 29
KEY PERSONNEL

Schedule 29 (Key Personnel)

1. This Schedule lists the key roles ("**Key Roles**") and names of the persons who the Supplier shall appoint to fill those Key Roles at the Start Date ("**Key Personnel**").

KEY ROLE	Name of KEY Personnel	Responsibilities/Authorities	Phase of the project during which they will be a MEMBER OF Key Personnel	MINIMUM PERIOD in Key Role
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Ensures Supplier's operational and financial performance	Nov 2022 – Aug 2025	34 months
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	NCCE programme sponsor	Nov 2022 – Aug 2025	34 months
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Managing the programme for the contract and supplier representative	Nov 2022 – Aug 2025	34 months
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Leads on contracting and funding of the Computing Hub network	Nov 2022 – Aug 2025	34 months

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[REDACTED]		Ensures continuous improvement, data-led approach and provision of training to support the Computing Hub network. Oversees team of officers providing programme support.	Nov 2022 – Aug 2025	34 months
[REDACTED]		Provides current Computing Hub and leadership expertise. Oversees team of subject specialists providing expertise for CPD and resource creation.	Nov 2022 – Aug 2025	34 months
[REDACTED]		Ensures provision of a robust and resilient digital service and MI dashboard to support reporting requirements.	Nov 2022 – Aug 2025	34 months
[REDACTED]		Oversight of marketing and communications strategy to support and empower the Computing Hubs.	Nov 2022 – Aug 2025	34 months
[REDACTED]		Ensures robust evaluation and impact strategy and outputs.	Nov 2022 – Aug 2025	34 months

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[REDACTED]		Manage relationships between NCCE 2, ODG and industry with a key role in delivery of events.	Nov 2022 – Aug 2025	34 months
[REDACTED]		Responsible for the smooth transition of staff and services during Implementation Period.	Nov 2022 – March 2023	5 months

SCHEDULE 30
NOT USED

SCHEDULE 31
PROCESSING PERSONAL DATA

Schedule 31 (*Processing Personal Data*)

- 1.1 This Schedule shall be completed by the Controller, who may take account of the view of the Processor, however the final decision as to the content of this Schedule shall be with the Authority at its absolute discretion.
- 1.2 The contact details of the Authority's Data Protection Officer are [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] C/O DfE 2nd Floor, 7-8 Wellington Place Leeds LS1 4AP
- 1.3 The contact details of the Supplier's Data Protection Officer are: Data Protection Officer: [REDACTED]. E-mail: datasecurity@stem.org.uk
- 1.4 The Processor shall comply with any further written instructions with respect to processing by the Controller.
- 1.5 Any such further instructions shall be incorporated into this Schedule.

Description	Details
Identity of Controller for each Category of Personal Data	<p>The Authority is Controller and the Supplier is Processor</p> <p>The Parties acknowledge that in accordance with Clause 21.2 to 23.15 and for the purposes of the Data Protection Legislation, the Authority is the Controller and the Supplier is the Processor of the following Personal Data:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Personal Data processed in relation to delivery of the Services under this Contract. <p>The Parties are Independent Controllers of Personal Data</p> <p>It is acknowledged and agreed between the Parties that there are some Personal Data that are processed by or on behalf of the Supplier which the Supplier collects in its capacity as an Independent Controller for processing relating to CPD delivery that is not funded by the Authority.</p> <p><i>The Parties further acknowledge that they are Independent Controllers for the purposes of the Data Protection Legislation in respect of:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Business contact details of Supplier Personnel,</i> <i>Business contact details of any directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and contractors of the Authority (excluding the Supplier Personnel) engaged in the performance of the Authority's duties under this Contract).</i>

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Duration of the processing	<p>When the Supplier is processing as a Processor, the Supplier shall process the Personal Data for the duration of this Agreement.</p> <p>Where the Supplier and the Authority are independent controllers, all Personal Data to be processed for the Term and thereafter to the extent that the relevant Party (or Parties) has an ongoing legal basis and for such periods as are in accordance with the UK GDPR as well as obligations for retained data for longer periods such as for tax reporting obligations.</p>
Nature and purposes of the processing	<p>The nature of the processing includes the collection, recording, organisation, structuring, storage, use or otherwise making available, of Personal Data.</p> <p>Processing including but not limited to the following: in accordance with statutory obligations, sourcing candidate data, employment processing, assessment, the provision and receipt of the Services and the performance of contractual obligations under the Contract, legitimate interests.</p>
Type of Personal Data	<p>When the Authority is Controller and the Supplier is Processor the following types of Personal Data are processed:</p> <p>Including but not limited to: name, address, date of birth, and all other personal data detailed below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teacher/Pupil unique identifiers (to be determined) • Name • Date of birth (in limited circumstances) • Postal address • Email address • Telephone number Job title / areas of interest Gender (to be determined) Ethnic Origin (to be determined) • Dietary requirements (with permission, these will only be required when attending events with refreshments) • Accessibility requirements (with permission, these will only be required when attending venues) • Image and audio data will be processed during participation in online courses • Payment and invoicing details
Categories of Data Subject	<p><i>Where the Authority is the Controller and the Supplier is the Processor, the following are categories of Data Subjects:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teachers • Student

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent / Guardian – for limited purposes e.g. when parental consent is required
<p>Plan for return and destruction of the data once the processing is complete</p> <p>UNLESS requirement under law to preserve that type of data</p>	<p>When processing Personal Data as a Processor, the Supplier shall return or delete Personal Data at the written request of the Authority in accordance with clause 21.5 (f) on termination of the Contract unless the Supplier as Processor is required by Law to retain the Personal Data.</p> <p>Where the Parties are Independent Controllers of Personal Data, all Personal Data will be deleted in line with UK GDPR and other statutory obligations for example holding data for tax reasons.</p>
<p>Locations at which the Supplier and/or its Sub-contractors process Personal Data under this Contract</p>	<p>Personal Data is processed by the Supplier and its' Subcontractors at locations based in the UK. As part of this Contract Personal Data may also be processed in the EU, and in the USA when appropriate data protection safeguards are in place. The Supplier will enter into the International Data Transfer Agreement with a relevant third party as set out in Annex 2 of this Schedule where the Supplier is sending the data to a receiver in a country, territory or organisation covered by UK adequacy regulations ("Restricted Transfer").</p>
<p>Protective Measures that the Supplier and, where applicable, its Sub-contractors have implemented to protect Personal Data processed under this Contract Agreement against a breach of security (insofar as that breach of security relates to data) or a Personal Data Breach</p>	<p>The Supplier has been certified ISO27001 for over 7 years with a mature Information Security Management System (ISMS). The ISMS is implemented in a managed way with established, controlled and maintained products, it is a process which the Supplier continuously improves to meet relevant standards. The Supplier is also certified in Cyber Essentials Plus, a government backed scheme which helps protect organisation, products, and users from a range of common cyber-attacks. This higher level of certification (Plus) means the Supplier has had hands-on verification to be awarded this. The Supplier's staff are trained to be made aware of potential issues regarding cyber security and data protection and must complete necessary training periodically.</p>

ANNEX 2:**PART A: INTERNATIONAL DATA TRANSFER AGREEMENT**

Standard Data Protection Clauses to be issued by the Commissioner under S119A(1) Data Protection Act 2018

International Data Transfer Agreement

VERSION A1.0, in force 21 March 2022

This IDTA has been issued by the Information Commissioner for Parties making Restricted Transfers. The Information Commissioner considers that it provides Appropriate Safeguards for Restricted Transfers when it is entered into as a legally binding contract.

Part 1: Tables

Table 1: Parties and signatures

Start date		
The Parties	Exporter (who sends the Restricted Transfer)	Importer (who receives the Restricted Transfer)
Parties' details	Full legal name: Trading name (if different): Main address (if a company registered address): Official registration number (if any) (company number or similar identifier):	Full legal name: Trading name (if different): Main address (if a company registered address): Official registration number (if any) (company number or similar identifier):
Key Contact	Full Name (optional):	Full Name (optional):

	Job Title: Contact details including email:	Job Title: Contact details including email:
Importer Data Subject Contact		Job Title: Contact details including email:
Signatures confirming each Party agrees to be bound by this IDTA	Signed for and on behalf of the Exporter set out above Signed: Date of signature: Full name: Job title:	Signed for and on behalf of the Importer set out above Signed: Date of signature: Full name: Job title:

Table 2: Transfer Details

UK country's law that governs the IDTA:	<input type="checkbox"/> England and Wales <input type="checkbox"/> Northern Ireland <input type="checkbox"/> Scotland
Primary place for legal claims to be made by the Parties	<input type="checkbox"/> England and Wales <input type="checkbox"/> Northern Ireland <input type="checkbox"/> Scotland
The status of the Exporter	In relation to the Processing of the Transferred Data: <input type="checkbox"/> Exporter is a Controller <input type="checkbox"/> Exporter is a Processor or Sub-Processor
The status of the Importer	In relation to the Processing of the Transferred Data: <input type="checkbox"/> Importer is a Controller <input type="checkbox"/> Importer is the Exporter's Processor or Sub-Processor

	<input type="checkbox"/> Importer is not the Exporter's Processor or Sub-Processor (and the Importer has been instructed by a Third Party Controller)
Whether UK GDPR applies to the Importer	<input type="checkbox"/> UK GDPR applies to the Importer's Processing of the Transferred Data <input type="checkbox"/> UK GDPR does not apply to the Importer's Processing of the Transferred Data
Linked Agreement	<p>If the Importer is the Exporter's Processor or Sub-Processor – the agreement(s) between the Parties which sets out the Processor's or Sub-Processor's instructions for Processing the Transferred Data:</p> <p>Name of agreement:</p> <p>Date of agreement:</p> <p>Parties to the agreement:</p> <p>Reference (if any):</p> <p>Other agreements – any agreement(s) between the Parties which set out additional obligations in relation to the Transferred Data, such as a data sharing agreement or service agreement:</p> <p>Name of agreement:</p> <p>Date of agreement:</p> <p>Parties to the agreement:</p> <p>Reference (if any):</p> <p>If the Exporter is a Processor or Sub-Processor – the agreement(s) between the Exporter and the Party(s) which sets out the Exporter's instructions for Processing the Transferred Data:</p> <p>Name of agreement:</p> <p>Date of agreement:</p> <p>Parties to the agreement:</p> <p>Reference (if any):</p>
Term	<p>The Importer may Process the Transferred Data for the following time period:</p> <input type="checkbox"/> the period for which the Linked Agreement is in force

	<input type="checkbox"/> time period: <input type="checkbox"/> (only if the Importer is a Controller or not the Exporter's Processor or Sub-Processor) no longer than is necessary for the Purpose.
Ending the IDTA before the end of the Term	<input type="checkbox"/> the Parties cannot end the IDTA before the end of the Term unless there is a breach of the IDTA or the Parties agree in writing. <input type="checkbox"/> the Parties can end the IDTA before the end of the Term by serving: months' written notice, as set out in Section 29 (How to end this IDTA without there being a breach).
Ending the IDTA when the Approved IDTA changes	Which Parties may end the IDTA as set out in Section 29.2: <input type="checkbox"/> Importer <input type="checkbox"/> Exporter <input type="checkbox"/> neither Party
Can the Importer make further transfers of the Transferred Data?	<input type="checkbox"/> The Importer MAY transfer on the Transferred Data to another organisation or person (who is a different legal entity) in accordance with Section 16.1 (Transferring on the Transferred Data). <input type="checkbox"/> The Importer MAY NOT transfer on the Transferred Data to another organisation or person (who is a different legal entity) in accordance with Section 16.1 (Transferring on the Transferred Data).
Specific restrictions when the Importer may transfer on the Transferred Data	The Importer MAY ONLY forward the Transferred Data in accordance with Section 16.1: <input type="checkbox"/> if the Exporter tells it in writing that it may do so. <input type="checkbox"/> to: <input type="checkbox"/> to the authorised receivers (or the categories of authorised receivers) set out in: <input type="checkbox"/> there are no specific restrictions.

Review Dates	<p><input type="checkbox"/> No review is needed as this is a one-off transfer and the Importer does not retain any Transferred Data</p> <p>First review date:</p> <p>The Parties must review the Security Requirements at least once:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> each month(s)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> each quarter</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> each 6 months</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> each year</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> each year(s)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> each time there is a change to the Transferred Data, Purposes, Importer Information, TRA or risk assessment</p>
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Table 3: Transferred Data

Transferred Data	<p>The personal data to be sent to the Importer under this IDTA consists of:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The categories of Transferred Data will update automatically if the information is updated in the Linked Agreement referred to.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The categories of Transferred Data will NOT update automatically if the information is updated in the Linked Agreement referred to. The Parties must agree a change under Section 5.3.</p>
Special Categories of Personal Data and criminal convictions and offences	<p>The Transferred Data includes data relating to:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> racial or ethnic origin</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> political opinions</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> religious or philosophical beliefs</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> trade union membership</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> genetic data</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> biometric data for the purpose of uniquely identifying a natural person</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> physical or mental health</p>