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Buyer Title: Workforce Workload Management Tool

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## Framework Schedule 1 (Specification)

[REDACTED]

## **Annex 1: Service Capabilities**

**[REDACTED]**

## **Framework Schedule 2 (Framework Tender)**

**[REDACTED]**

### **Framework Schedule 3 (Framework Prices)**

**[REDACTED]**

## **Annex 1: Rates and Prices**

**[REDACTED]**

## Framework Schedule 4 (Framework Management)

### 1 Definitions

[REDACTED]

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## Framework Schedule 6 (Order Form Template, Statement of Work Template and Call-Off Schedules)

### Order Form

Call-Off Reference: Con\_22983

Call-Off Title: Workforce Workload Tool Discovery & Alpha

Call-Off Contract Description: [REDACTED]

The Buyer: [REDACTED]

Buyer Address: 201 Petty France, London SW1H 9AJ

The Supplier: Reply Limited

Supplier Address: 38 Grosvenor Gardens, London

Registration Number: [REDACTED]

DUNS Number: [REDACTED]

SID4GOV ID: [REDACTED]

### **Applicable Framework Contract**

This Order Form is for the provision of the Call-Off Deliverables and dated 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023.

It's issued under the Framework Contract with the reference number RM1043.8 for the provision of Digital Outcomes Deliverables.

The Parties intend that this Call-Off Contract will not, except for the first Statement of Work which shall be executed at the same time that the Call-Off Contract is executed, oblige the Buyer to buy or the Supplier to supply Deliverables.

The Parties agree that when a Buyer seeks further Deliverables from the Supplier under the Call-Off Contract, the Buyer and Supplier will agree and execute a further Statement of Work (in the form of the template set out in Annex 1 to this Framework Schedule 6 (Order Form Template, Statement of Work Template and Call-Off Schedules)).

Upon the execution of each Statement of Work it shall become incorporated into the Buyer and Supplier's Call-Off Contract.

### **Call-Off Lot**

**[REDACTED]**

### **Call-Off Incorporated Terms**

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

- 1 This Order Form including the Call-Off Special Terms and Call-Off Special Schedules.
- 2 Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions) RM1043.8
- 3 Framework Special Terms
- 4 The following Schedules in equal order of precedence:
  - Joint Schedules for RM1043.8
    - Joint Schedule 2 (Variation Form)
    - Joint Schedule 3 (Insurance Requirements)
    - Joint Schedule 4 (Commercially Sensitive Information)
    - Joint Schedule 6 (Key Subcontractors)
    - Joint Schedule 7 (Financial Difficulties)
    - Joint Schedule 8 (Guarantee) – NOT USED
    - Joint Schedule 10 (Rectification Plan)
    - Joint Schedule 11 (Processing Data) RM1043.8
    - Joint Schedule 12 (Supply Chain Visibility) – NOT USED



- Call-Off Schedules for RM1043.8
  - Call-Off Schedule 1 (Transparency Reports)
  - Call-Off Schedule 2 (Staff Transfer)
  - Call-Off Schedule 3 (Continuous Improvement)
  - Call-Off Schedule 5 (Pricing Details and Expenses Policy)
  - Call-Off Schedule 6 (Intellectual Property Rights and Additional Terms on Digital Deliverables)
  - Call-Off Schedule 7 (Key Supplier Staff)
  - Call-Off Schedule 8 (Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery)
  - Call-Off Schedule 9 (Security)
  - Call-Off Schedule 10 (Exit Management)
  - Call-Off Schedule 12 (Clustering) – NOT USED
  - Call-Off Schedule 13 (Implementation Plan and Testing)
  - Call-Off Schedule 14 (Service Levels and Balanced Scorecard)
  - Call-Off Schedule 15 (Call-Off Contract Management)
  - Call-Off Schedule 16 (Benchmarking) – NOT USED
  - Call-Off Schedule 17 (MOD Terms) – NOT USED
  - Call-Off Schedule 18 (Background Checks)
  - Call-Off Schedule 19 (Scottish Law) – NOT USED
  - Call-Off Schedule 20 (Call-Off Specification)
  - Call-Off Schedule 21 (Northern Ireland Law) – NOT USED
  - Call-Off Schedule 23 (HMRC Terms) – N/A
  - Call-Off Schedule 25 (Ethical Walls Agreement) – NOT USED
  - Call-Off Schedule 26 (Cyber Essentials Scheme)

5 CCS Core Terms (version 3.0.11)

6 Joint Schedule 5 (Corporate Social Responsibility) RM1043.8

7 Call-Off Schedule 4 (Call-Off Tender) as long as any parts of the Call-Off Tender that offer a better commercial position for the Buyer (as decided by the Buyer) take precedence over the documents above.

No other Supplier terms are part of the Call-Off Contract. That includes any terms written on the back of, added to this Order Form, or presented at the time of delivery.

### **Call-Off Special Terms**

**[REDACTED]**

Call-Off Start Date: 13<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Call-Off Expiry Date: 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024

Call-Off Initial Period: 5 months

Call-Off Ref: RM1043.8  
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Call-Off Optional Extension Period: Zero  
Minimum Notice Period for Extensions: N/A  
Call-Off Contract Value: £567,000.00

### **Call-Off Deliverables**

**Option A:** NOT USED

**Option B:** See details in Call-Off Schedule 20 (Call-Off Specification)

### **Warranty Period**

The Supplier shall provide digital and Software Deliverables with a minimum warranty of at least 30 days against all obvious defects, and in relation to the warranties detailed in Paragraphs 4 (licensed Software warranty) and 9.6.2 (Specially Written Software and New IPRs) of Call-Off Schedule 6 (IPRs and Additional Terms on Digital Deliverables).

### **Buyer's Standards**

From the Start Date of this Call-Off Contract, the Supplier shall comply with the relevant (and current as of the Call-Off Start Date) Standards referred to in Framework Schedule 1 (Specification). The Buyer requires the Supplier to comply with the following additional Standards for this Call-Off Contract:

### **Cyber Essentials Scheme**

[REDACTED]

### **Maximum Liability**

[REDACTED]

### **Call-Off Charges**

[REDACTED]

### **Payment Method**

[REDACTED]

Buyer's Authorised Representative

Commercial : [REDACTED]

Commercial Manager

[REDACTED]

Operation:

[REDACTED]

Service Owner

[REDACTED]

Buyer's Environmental Policy

[REDACTED]

Buyer's Security Policy

[REDACTED]

**Supplier's Authorised Representative**

[REDACTED]

**Supplier's Contract Manager**

[REDACTED]

**Progress Report Frequency**

[REDACTED]

**Progress Meeting Frequency**

[REDACTED]

**Key Staff**

Key Role	Key Staff	Contract De-tails	Employment / Engagement Route (incl. inside/outside IR35)
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

**Key Subcontractor(s)**

N/A

**Commercially Sensitive Information**

[REDACTED]

**Balanced Scorecard**  
NOT APPLICABLE

**Material KPIs**

[REDACTED]

**Service Credits**

[REDACTED]

**Additional Insurances**

[REDACTED]

**Guarantee**

Not Applicable

**Social Value Commitment**

[REDACTED]

**Statement of Works**

During the Call-Off Contract Period, the Buyer and Supplier may agree and execute completed Statement of Works. Upon execution of a Statement of Work the provisions detailed therein shall be incorporated into the Call-Off Contract to which this Order Form relates.

**For and on behalf of the Supplier:**

Signature: [REDACTED]

Name: [REDACTED]

Role: [REDACTED]

Date: [REDACTED]

**For and on behalf of the Buyer:**

Signature: [REDACTED]

Name: [REDACTED]

Role: [REDACTED]

Date: [REDACTED]

## **Annex 1 (Template Statement of Work)**

**[REDACTED]**

## **Annex 1**

**[REDACTED]**

### **Framework Schedule 7 (Call-Off Award Procedure)**

**[REDACTED]**

## **Framework Schedule 8 (Self Audit Certificate)**

[REDACTED]

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

[REDACTED]

### **Part A: Staff Transfer at the Start Date**

[REDACTED]

### **Part B: Staff transfer at the Start Date**

[REDACTED]



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

**[REDACTED]**

## **Part D: Pensions**

**[REDACTED]**

## **Annex D1:**

**[REDACTED]**

## Annex D2: NHS Pension Schemes

### 1 Definitions

In this Annex D2: NHSPS to Part D: Pensions, the following words have the following meanings and they shall supplement Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions):

Term	Definition
<b>Direction Letter/Determination</b>	an NHS Pensions Direction or Determination (as appropriate) issued by the Secretary of State in exercise of the powers conferred by section 7 of the Superannuation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1967 or by section 25 of the Public Service Pensions Act 2013 (as appropriate) and issued to the Supplier or a Subcontractor of the Supplier (as appropriate) relating to the terms of participation of the Supplier or Subcontractor in the NHSPS in respect of the NHSPS Fair Deal Employees;
<b>NHS Broadly Comparable Employees</b>	<p>each of the Fair Deal Employees who at a Relevant Transfer Date was a member of, or was entitled to become a member of, or but for their compulsory transfer of employment would have been entitled to be or become a member of, the NHSPS as a result of either:</p> <p>(a) their employment with the Buyer, an NHS Body or other employer which participates automatically in the NHSPS; or</p> <p>(b) their employment with a Former Supplier who provides access to either the NHSPS pursuant to a Direction Letter/Determination or to a Broadly Comparable pension scheme in respect of their employment with that Former Supplier (on the basis that they are entitled to protection under New Fair Deal (or previous guidance), having been formerly in employment with the Buyer, an NHS Body or other employer who participated automatically in the NHSPS in connection with the Services, prior to being employed by the Former Supplier),</p> <p>but who is now ineligible to participate in the NHSPS under the rules of the NHSPS and in respect of whom the Buyer has agreed are to be provided with a Broadly Comparable pension scheme to provide Pension Benefits that are Broadly Comparable to those provided under the NHSPS.</p>
<b>NHSPS Eligible Employees</b>	any NHSPS Fair Deal Employee who at the relevant time is an active member or eligible to participate in the NHSPS under a Direction Letter/Determination Letter.

<b>NHSPS Fair Deal Employees</b>	<p>other than the NHS Broadly Comparable Employees, each of the Fair Deal Employees who at a Relevant Transfer Date was a member of, or was entitled to become a member of, or but for their compulsory transfer of employment would have been entitled to be or become a member of, the NHSPS as a result of either:</p> <p>(a) their employment with the Buyer, an NHS Body or other employer which participates automatically in the NHSPS; or</p> <p>(b) their employment with a Former Supplier who provides access to the NHSPS pursuant to a Direction Letter/Determination or to a Broadly Comparable pension scheme in respect of their employment with that Former Supplier (on the basis that they are entitled to protection under New Fair Deal (or previous guidance), having been formerly in employment with the Buyer, an NHS Body or other employer who participated automatically in the NHSPS in connection with the Services, prior to being employed by the Former Supplier),</p> <p>and, in each case, being continuously engaged for more than fifty per cent (50%) of their employed time in the delivery of services (the same as or similar to the Services).</p> <p>For the avoidance of doubt, an individual who is in or entitled to become a member of the NHSPS as a result of being engaged in the Services and being covered by an "open" Direction Letter/Determination or other NHSPS "access" facility but who has never been employed directly by the Buyer, an NHS Body (or other body which participates automatically in the NHSPS) is not an NHSPS Fair Deal Employee;</p>
<b>NHS Body</b>	has the meaning given to it in section 275 of the National Health Service Act 2006 as amended by section 138(2)(c) of Schedule 4 to the Health and Social Care Act 2012;
<b>NHS Pensions</b>	NHS Pensions as the administrators of the NHSPS or such other body as may from time to time be responsible for relevant administrative functions of the NHSPS;
<b>NHSPS</b>	the National Health Service Pension Scheme for England and Wales, established pursuant to the Superannuation Act 1972 and the Public Service Pensions Act 2013 governed by subsequent regulations under those Acts including the NHS Pension Scheme Regulations;
<b>NHS Pension Scheme Regulations</b>	as appropriate, any or all of the National Health Service Pension Scheme Regulations 1995 (SI 1995/300), the National Health Service Pension Scheme Regulations 2008 (SI 2008/653), the National Health Service Pension Scheme Regulations 2015 (2015/94) and any subsequent regulations made in respect of the NHSPS, each as amended from time to time;

<b>NHS Premature Retirement Rights</b>	rights to which any NHS Fair Deal Employee (had they remained in the employment of the Buyer, an NHS Body or other employer which participates automatically in the NHSPS) would have been or is entitled under the NHS Pension Scheme Regulations, the NHS Compensation for Premature Retirement Regulations 2002 (SI 2002/1311), the NHS (Injury Benefits) Regulations 1995 (SI 1995/866) and section 45 of the General Whitley Council conditions of service, or any other legislative or contractual provision which replaces, amends, extends or consolidates the same from time to time;
<b>Pension Benefits</b>	any benefits payable in respect of an individual (including but not limited to pensions related allowances and lump sums) relating to old age, invalidity or survivor's benefits provided under an occupational pension scheme.

## 2 Membership of the NHS Pension Scheme

- 2.1 In accordance with New Fair Deal, the Supplier and/or any of its Subcontractors to which the employment of any NHSPS Fair Deal Employee compulsorily transfers as a result of either the award of this Contract or a Relevant Transfer, if not an NHS Body or other employer which participates automatically in the NHSPS, shall each secure a Direction Letter/Determination to enable the NHSPS Fair Deal Employees to retain either continuous active membership of or eligibility for the NHSPS for so long as they remain employed in connection with the delivery of the Services under the relevant Contract.
- 2.2 Where it is not possible for the Supplier and/or any of its Subcontractors to secure a Direction Letter/Determination on or before the Relevant Transfer Date, the Supplier must secure a Direction Letter/Determination as soon as possible after the Relevant Transfer Date, and in the period between the Relevant Transfer Date and the date the Direction Letter/Determination is secure, the Supplier must ensure that:
  - (a) all employer's and NHSPS Fair Deal Employees' contributions intended to go to the NHSPS are kept in a separate bank account; and
  - (b) the Pension Benefits and Premature Retirement Rights of NHSPS Fair Deal Employees are not adversely affected.
- 2.3 The Supplier must supply to the Buyer a complete copy of each Direction Letter/Determination within 5 Working Days of receipt of the Direction Letter/Determination.
- 2.4 The Supplier must ensure (and procure that each of its Sub-Contracts (if any) ensures) that all of its NHSPS Fair Deal Employees have a contractual right to continuous active membership of or eligibility for the NHSPS for so long as they have a right to membership or eligibility of that scheme under the terms of the Direction Letter/Determination.
- 2.5 The Supplier will (and will procure that its Subcontractors (if any) will) comply with the terms of the Direction Letter/Determination, the NHS Pension Scheme Regulations (including any terms which change as a result of changes in Law) and any relevant policy issued by the Department of Health and Social Care in respect of the NHSPS Fair Deal Employees for so long as it remains bound by the terms of any such Direction Letter/Determination.
- 2.6 Where any employee omitted from the Direction Letter/Determination supplied in accordance with Paragraph 2 of this Annex are subsequently found to be an NHSPS Fair Deal Employee, the Supplier will (and will procure that its Subcontractors (if any) will) treat that person as if they had been an NHSPS Fair Deal Employee from the Relevant Transfer Date so that their Pension Benefits and NHS Premature Retirement Rights are not adversely affected.

- 2.7 The Supplier will (and will procure that its Subcontractors (if any) will) Subcontractor provide any guarantee, bond or indemnity required by NHS Pensions in relation to a Direction Letter/Determination.

### **3 Continuation of early retirement rights after transfer**

- 3.1 From the Relevant Transfer Date until the Service Transfer Date, the Supplier must provide (and/or must ensure that its Subcontractors (if any) provide) NHS Premature Retirement Rights in respect of the NHSPS Fair Deal Employees that are identical to the benefits they would have received had they remained employees of the Buyer, an NHS Body or other employer which participates automatically in the NHSPS.

### **4 NHS Broadly Comparable Employees**

- 4.1 The Supplier shall (and procure that its Subcontractors shall), with effect from the Relevant Transfer Date, offer the NHSPS Broadly Comparable Employees membership of a pension scheme which is Broadly Comparable to NHSPS on the Relevant Transfer Date in accordance with paragraph 10 of Part D. For the avoidance of doubt, this requirement is separate from any requirement to offer a Broadly Comparable pension scheme in accordance with paragraph 5.2 below.

### **5 What the buyer can do if the Supplier breaches its pension obligations**

- 5.1 The Supplier agrees that the Buyer is entitled to make arrangements with NHS Pensions for the Buyer to be notified if the Supplier (or its Subcontractor) breaches the terms of its Direction Letter/Determination. Notwithstanding the provisions of the foregoing, the Supplier shall notify the Buyer in the event that it (or its Subcontractor) breaches the terms of its Direction Letter/Determination.
- 5.2 If the Supplier (or its Subcontractors, if relevant) ceases to participate in the NHSPS for whatever reason, the Supplier (or any such Subcontractor, as appropriate) shall offer to offer the NHSPS Eligible Employees membership of a pension scheme which is Broadly Comparable to the NHSPS on the date the NHSPS Eligible Employees ceased to participate in the NHSPS in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 11 of Part D. Subcontractor.

### **6 Compensation when pension scheme access can't be provided**

- 6.1 If the Supplier (or its Subcontractor, if relevant) is unable to provide the NHSPS Fair Deal Employees with either membership of:
- 6.1.1 the NHSPS (having used its best endeavours to secure a Direction Letter/Determination); or
- 6.1.2 a Broadly Comparable pension scheme,
- the Buyer may in its sole discretion permit the Supplier (or any of its Subcontractors) to compensate the NHSPS Fair Deal Employees in a manner that is Broadly Comparable or equivalent in cash terms, the Supplier (or Subcontractor as relevant) having consulted with a view to reaching agreement with any recognised trade union or, in the absence of such body, the NHSPS Fair Deal Employees. The Supplier must meet (or must procure that the relevant Subcontractor meets) the costs of the Buyer determining whether the level of compensation offered is reasonable in the circumstances.
- 6.2 This flexibility for the Buyer to allow compensation in place of Pension Benefits is in addition to and not instead of the Buyer's right to terminate the Contract.

### **7 Indemnities that a Supplier must give**

- 7.1 The Supplier must indemnify and keep indemnified the CCS, the Buyer and any Replacement Supplier against all Losses arising out of any claim by any NHSPS Fair Deal Employee or any NHS Broadly Comparable Employees that the provision of (or failure to provide) Pension Benefits and NHS Premature Retirement Rights from the Relevant Transfer Date, or the level of such benefit provided, constitutes a breach of his or her employment rights.

## Annex D3:

### Local Government Pension Schemes (LGPS)

#### 1 Definitions

In this Annex D3: LGPS to Part D: Pensions, the following words have the following meanings and they shall supplement Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions):

Term	Definition
<b>2013 Regulations</b>	the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations 2013 (SI 2013/2356) (as amended from time to time);
<b>Administering Buyer</b>	in relation to <b>the Fund [insert name]</b> , the relevant Administering Buyer of that Fund for the purposes of the 2013 Regulations;
<b>Fund Actuary</b>	the actuary to a Fund appointed by the Administering Buyer of that Fund;
<b>Fund</b>	<b>[insert name], a pension fund within the LGPS;</b>
<b>Initial Contribution Rate</b>	[XX %] of pensionable pay (as defined in the 2013 Regulations);
<b>LGPS</b>	the Local Government Pension Scheme as governed by the LGPS Regulations, and any other regulations (in each case as amended from time to time) which are from time to time applicable to the Local Government Pension Scheme;
<b>LGPS Admission Agreement</b>	an admission agreement within the meaning in Schedule 1 of the 2013 Regulations;
<b>LGPS Admission Body</b>	an admission body (within the meaning of Part 3 of Schedule 2 of the 2013 Regulations);
<b>LGPS Eligible Employees</b>	any LGPS Fair Deal Employee who at the relevant time is an active member or eligible to participate in the LGPS under an LGPS Admission Agreement;
<b>LGPS Fair Deal Employees</b>	any Fair Deal Employee who at the Relevant Transfer Date is or becomes entitled to protection in respect of the LGPS or a pension scheme that is Broadly Comparable to the LGPS in accordance with the provisions in accordance with the provisions of New Fair Deal and/or the Best Value Direction;
<b>LGPS Regulations</b>	the 2013 Regulations and The Local Government Pension Scheme (Transitional Provisions, Savings and Amendment) Regulations 2014 (SI 2014/525), and any other regulations (in each case as amended from time to time) which are from time to time applicable to the LGPS.

#### 2 Supplier to become an LGPS Admission Body

- 2.1 In accordance with the principles of New Fair Deal and/or the Best Value Direction, the Supplier and/or any of its Subcontractors to which the employment of any LGPS Fair Deal Employee compulsorily transfers as a result of either the award of the relevant Contract or a Relevant Transfer, if not a scheme employer which participates automatically in the LGPS, shall each become an LGPS Admission Body by entering into an LGPS Admission Agreement on or before the Relevant Transfer Date to enable the LGPS Fair Deal Employees to retain either continuous active membership of or eligibility for the LGPS on and from the Relevant Transfer Date for so long as they remain employed in connection with the delivery of the Services under the relevant Contract.

#### Option 1

- 2.2 Any LGPS Fair Deal Employees who:



- 2.2.1 were active members of the LGPS (or a Broadly Comparable pension scheme) immediately before the Relevant Transfer Date shall be admitted to the LGPS with effect on and from the Relevant Transfer Date; and
- 2.2.2 were eligible to join the LGPS (or a Broadly Comparable pension scheme) but were not active members of the LGPS (or a Broadly Comparable pension scheme) immediately before the Relevant Transfer Date shall retain the ability to join the LGPS on or after the Relevant Transfer Date if they wish to do so.

## **Option 2**

Any LGPS Fair Deal Employees whether:

- 2.2.3 active members of the LGPS (or a Broadly Comparable pension scheme) immediately before the Relevant Transfer Date; or
- 2.2.4 eligible to join the LGPS (or a Broadly Comparable pension scheme) but not active members of the LGPS (or a Broadly Comparable pension scheme) immediately before the Relevant Transfer Date

shall be admitted to the LGPS with effect on and from the Relevant Transfer Date. The Supplier shall not automatically enrol or re-enrol for the purposes of the Pensions Act 2008 any LGPS Fair Deal Employees in any pension scheme other than the LGPS unless they cease to be eligible for membership of the LGPS.

- 2.3 The Supplier will (and will procure that its Subcontractors (if any) will) provide at its own cost any indemnity, bond or guarantee required by an Administering Buyer in relation to an LGPS Admission Agreement.

## **3 Broadly Comparable Scheme**

- 3.1 If the Supplier and/or any of its Subcontractors is unable to obtain an LGPS Admission Agreement in accordance with paragraph 2.1 because the Administering Buyer will not allow it to participate in the Fund, the Supplier shall (and procure that its Subcontractors shall), with effect from the Relevant Transfer Date, offer the LGPS Fair Deal Employees membership of a pension scheme which is Broadly Comparable to LGPS on the Relevant Transfer Date in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 10 of Part D.
- 3.2 If the Supplier and/or any of its Subcontractors becomes an LGPS Admission Body in accordance with paragraph 2.1 but the LGPS Admission Agreement is terminated during the term of the relevant Contract for any reason at a time when the Supplier or Subcontractors still employs any LGPS Eligible Employees, the Supplier shall (and procure that its Subcontractors shall) at no extra cost to the Buyer, offer the remaining LGPS Eligible Employees membership of a pension scheme which is Broadly Comparable to the LGPS on the date the LGPS Eligible Employees ceased to participate in the LGPS in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 11 of Part D.

## **4 Discretionary Benefits**

Where the Supplier and/or any of its Subcontractors is an LGPS Admission Body, the Supplier shall (and procure that its Subcontractors shall) comply with its obligations under regulation 60 of the 2013 Regulations in relation to the preparation of a discretionary policy statement.

## **5 LGPS Risk Sharing**

- 5.1 Subject to paragraphs 5.4 to 5.10, if at any time during the term of the relevant Contract the Administering Buyer, pursuant to the LGPS Admission Agreement or the LGPS Regulations, requires the Supplier or any Subcontractor to pay employer contributions or other payments to the Fund in aggregate in excess of the Initial Contribution Rate, the excess of employer contributions above the Initial Contribution Rate for a Contract Year (the "Excess Amount") shall be paid by the Supplier or the Subcontractor, as the case may be, and the Supplier shall be reimbursed by the Buyer.

- 5.2 Subject to paragraphs 5.4 to 5.9 and 5.11, if at any time during the term of the relevant Contract, the Administering Buyer, pursuant to the LGPS Admission Agreement or the LGPS Regulations, requires the Supplier or any Subcontractor to pay employer contributions or payments to the Fund in aggregate below the Initial Contribution Rate for a Contract Year, the Supplier shall reimburse the Buyer an amount equal to A–B (the “Refund Amount”) where:

A = the amount which would have been paid if contributions and payments had been paid equal to the Initial Contribution Rate for that Contract Year; and

B = the amount of contributions or payments actually paid by the Supplier or Subcontractor for that Contract Year, as the case may be, to the Fund.

- 5.3 Subject to paragraphs 5.4 to 5.10, where the Administering Buyer obtains an actuarial valuation and a revised rates and adjustment certificate under the LGPS Regulations and/or the terms of the LGPS Admission Agreement when the LGPS Admission Agreement ceases to have effect and the Supplier or any Subcontractor is required to pay any exit payment under Regulation 64(2) of the 2013 Regulations (the “**Exit Payment**”), such Exit Payment shall be paid by the Supplier or any Subcontractor (as the case may be) and the Supplier shall be reimbursed by the Buyer.

- 5.4 The Supplier and any Subcontractors shall at all times be responsible for the following costs:

- 5.4.1 any employer contributions relating to the costs of early retirement benefits arising on redundancy or as a result of business efficiency under Regulation 30(7) of the 2013 Regulations or otherwise;
- 5.4.2 any payment of Fund benefits to active members on the grounds of ill health or infirmity of mind or body under Regulation 35 of the 2013 Regulations or otherwise;
- 5.4.3 any payment of Fund benefits to deferred or deferred pensioner members on the grounds of ill health or infirmity of mind or body under Regulation 38 of the 2013 Regulations or otherwise;
- 5.4.4 any employer contributions relating to the costs of early or flexible retirement where the actuarial reduction is waived in whole or in part or a cost neutral reduction is not applied with the consent of the Supplier or any relevant Subcontractor including without limitation any decision made under Regulation 30(8) of the 2013 Regulations or Schedule 2 of The Local Government Pension Scheme (Transitional Provisions, Savings and Amendment) Regulations 2014;
- 5.4.5 any employer contributions relating to the costs of enhanced benefits made at the discretion of the Supplier or any relevant Subcontractors including without limitation additional pension awarded under Regulation 31 of the 2013 Regulations or otherwise;
- 5.4.6 any increase to the employer contribution rate resulting from the award of pay increases by the Supplier or relevant Subcontractors in respect of all or any of the LGPS Eligible Employees in excess of the pay increases assumed in the Fund's most recent actuarial valuation (unless the Supplier and/or any Subcontractor is contractually bound to provide such increases on the Relevant Transfer Date);
- 5.4.7 to the extent not covered above, any other costs arising out of or in connection with the exercise of any discretion or the grant of any consent under the LGPS Regulations by the Supplier or any relevant Subcontractors where a member does not have an absolute entitlement to that benefit under the LGPS;
- 5.4.8 any cost of the administration of the Fund that are not met through the Supplier's or Subcontractor's employer contribution rate, including without limitation an amount specified in a notice given by the Administering Buyer under Regulation 70 of the 2013 Regulations;

- 5.4.9 the costs of any reports and advice requested by or arising from an instruction given by the Supplier or a Subcontractor from the Fund Actuary; and/or
- 5.4.10 any interest payable under the 2013 Regulations or LGPS Administration Agreement.
- 5.5 For the purposes of calculating any Exit Payment, Excess Amount or Refund Amount, any part of such an amount which is attributable to any costs which the Supplier or Subcontractors are responsible for in accordance with paragraph 5.4 above shall be disregarded and excluded from the calculation. In the event of any dispute as to level of any cost that should be excluded from the calculation, the opinion of the Fund Actuary shall be final and binding.
- 5.6 Where the Administering Buyer obtains an actuarial valuation and a revised rates and adjustment certificate under the LGPS Regulations and/or the terms of the LGPS Admission Agreement when the LGPS Admission Agreement ceases to have effect and the Supplier or any Subcontractor receives payment of an exit credit payment under Regulation 64(2) of the 2013 Regulations (the “**Exit Credit**”), the Supplier shall (or procure that any Subcontractor shall) reimburse the Buyer an amount equal to the Exit Credit within twenty (20) Working Days of receipt of the Exit Credit.
- 5.7 The Supplier shall (or procure that the Subcontractor shall) notify the Buyer in writing within twenty (20) Working Days:
  - 5.7.1 of the end of each Contract Year of any Excess Amount or Refund Amount due in respect of the Contract Year that has just ended and provide a reasonable summary of how the Excess Amount or Refund Amount was calculated; and
  - 5.7.2 of being informed by the Administering Buyer of any Exit Payment or Exit Credit that is determined by as being due from or to the Supplier or a Subcontractor and provide a copy of any revised rates and adjustments certificate detailing the Exit Payment or Exit Credit and its calculation.
- 5.8 Within twenty (20) Working Days of receiving the notification under paragraph 5.7 above, the Buyer shall either:
  - 5.8.1 notify the Supplier in writing of its acceptance of the Excess Amount, Refund Amount or Exit Payment;
  - 5.8.2 request further information or evidence about the Excess Amount, Refund Amount or Exit Payment from the Supplier; and/or
  - 5.8.3 request a meeting with the Supplier to discuss or clarify the information or evidence provided.
- 5.9 Where the Excess Amount, Refund Amount or Exit Payment is agreed following the receipt of further information or evidence or following a meeting in accordance with paragraph 5.8 above, the Buyer shall notify the Supplier in writing. In the event that the Supplier and the Buyer are unable to agree the amount of the Excess Amount, Refund Amount or Exit Payment then they shall follow the Dispute Resolution Procedure.
- 5.10 Any Excess Amount or Exit Payment agreed by the Buyer or in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure shall be paid by the Buyer within timescales as agreed between Buyer and Supplier. The amount to be paid by the Buyer shall be an amount equal to the Excess Amount or Exit Payment less an amount equal to any corporation tax relief which has been claimed in respect of the Excess Amount or Exit Payment by the Supplier or a Subcontractor.
- 5.11 Any Refund Amount agreed by the Buyer or in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure as payable by the Supplier or any Subcontractor to the Buyer, shall be paid by the Supplier or any Subcontractor forthwith as the liability has been agreed. In the event the Supplier or any Subcontractor fails to pay any agreed Refund Amount, the

Buyer shall demand in writing the immediate payment of the agreed Refund Amount by the Supplier and the Supplier shall make payment within seven (7) Working Days of such demand.

5.12 This paragraph 5 shall survive termination of the relevant Contract.

## **Annex D4: Other Schemes**

## **Part E: Staff Transfer on Exit**

**[REDACTED]**

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

**[REDACTED]**

## **Call-Off Schedule 4 (Call-Off Tender)**

**[REDACTED]**



## **Call-Off Schedule 5 (Pricing Details and Expenses Policy)**

**[REDACTED]**

## **Annex 1 (Expenses Policy)**

**[REDACTED]**

## **Call-Off Schedule 6 (Intellectual Property Rights and Additional Terms on Digital Deliverables)**

**[REDACTED]**

## **Call-Off Schedule 7 (Key Supplier Staff)**

### **1 Key Supplier Staff**

**[REDACTED]**

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

**[REDACTED]**

## **Call-Off Schedule 9 (Security)**

### **Part A: Short Form Security Requirements**

**[REDACTED]**

## **Part B: Long Form Security Requirements**

**[REDACTED]**

**Part B: Annex 1**

[REDACTED]



**Part B: Annex 2**

[REDACTED]

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

**[REDACTED]**

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

**[REDACTED]**

## **Annex 1: Implementation Plan**

**[REDACTED]**

## Part B: Testing

### 1 Definitions

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

Term	Definition
<b>Component</b>	any constituent parts of the Deliverables;
<b>Material Test Issue</b>	a Test Issue of Severity Level 1 or Severity Level 2;
<b>Satisfaction Certificate</b>	a certificate materially in the form of the document contained in Annex 2 issued by the Buyer when a Deliverable and/or Milestone has satisfied its relevant Test Success Criteria;
<b>Severity Level</b>	the level of severity of a Test Issue, the criteria for which are described in Annex 1;
<b>Test Issue Management Log</b>	a log for the recording of Test Issues as described further in Paragraph 8.1 of this Schedule;
<b>Test Issue Threshold</b>	in relation to the Tests applicable to a Milestone, a maximum number of Severity Level 3, Severity Level 4 and Severity Level 5 Test Issues as set out in the relevant Test Plan;
<b>Test Reports</b>	the reports to be produced by the Supplier setting out the results of Tests;
<b>Test Specification</b>	the specification that sets out how Tests will demonstrate that the Test Success Criteria have been satisfied, as described in more detail in Paragraph 6.2 of this Schedule;
<b>Test Strategy</b>	a strategy for the conduct of Testing as described further in Paragraph 3.2 of this Schedule;
<b>Test Success Criteria</b>	in relation to a Test, the test success criteria for that Test as referred to in Paragraph 5 of this Schedule;
<b>Test Witness</b>	any person appointed by the Buyer pursuant to Paragraph 9 of this Schedule; and
<b>Testing Procedures</b>	the applicable testing procedures and Test Success Criteria set out in this Schedule.

### 2 How testing should work

- 2.1 All Tests conducted by the Supplier shall be conducted in accordance with the Test Strategy, Test Specification and the Test Plan.
- 2.2 The Supplier shall not submit any Deliverable for Testing:
- 2.2.1 unless the Supplier is reasonably confident that it will satisfy the relevant Test Success Criteria;
  - 2.2.2 until the Buyer has issued a Satisfaction Certificate in respect of any prior, dependant Deliverable(s); and
  - 2.2.3 until the Parties have agreed the Test Plan and the Test Specification relating to the relevant Deliverable(s).
- 2.3 The Supplier shall use reasonable endeavours to submit each Deliverable for Testing or re-Testing by or before the date set out in the Implementation Plan for the commencement of Testing in respect of the relevant Deliverable.

- 2.4 Prior to the issue of a Satisfaction Certificate, the Buyer shall be entitled to review the relevant Test Reports and the Test Issue Management Log.

### **3 Planning for testing**

- 3.1 The Supplier shall develop the final Test Strategy as soon as practicable after the Start Date but in any case no later than twenty (20) Working Days after the Start Date.
- 3.2 The final Test Strategy shall include:
- 3.2.1 an overview of how Testing will be conducted in relation to the Implementation Plan;
  - 3.2.2 the process to be used to capture and record Test results and the categorisation of Test Issues;
  - 3.2.3 the procedure to be followed should a Deliverable fail a Test, fail to satisfy the Test Success Criteria or where the Testing of a Deliverable produces unexpected results, including a procedure for the resolution of Test Issues;
  - 3.2.4 the procedure to be followed to sign off each Test;
  - 3.2.5 the process for the production and maintenance of Test Reports and a sample plan for the resolution of Test Issues;
  - 3.2.6 the names and contact details of the Buyer and the Supplier's Test representatives;
  - 3.2.7 a high level identification of the resources required for Testing including Buyer and/or third party involvement in the conduct of the Tests;
  - 3.2.8 the technical environments required to support the Tests; and
  - 3.2.9 the procedure for managing the configuration of the Test environments.

### **4 Preparing for Testing**

- 4.1 The Supplier shall develop Test Plans and submit these for Approval as soon as practicable but in any case no later than twenty (20) Working Days prior to the start date for the relevant Testing as specified in the Implementation Plan.
- 4.2 Each Test Plan shall include as a minimum:
- 4.2.1 the relevant Test definition and the purpose of the Test, the Milestone to which it relates, the requirements being Tested and, for each Test, the specific Test Success Criteria to be satisfied; and
  - 4.2.2 a detailed procedure for the Tests to be carried out.
- 4.3 The Buyer shall not unreasonably withhold or delay its approval of the Test Plan provided that the Supplier shall implement any reasonable requirements of the Buyer in the Test Plan.

### **5 Passing Testing**

- 5.1 The Test Success Criteria for all Tests shall be agreed between the Parties as part of the relevant Test Plan pursuant to Paragraph 4.

### **6 How Deliverables will be tested**

- 6.1 Following approval of a Test Plan, the Supplier shall develop the Test Specification for the relevant Deliverables as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event at least 10 Working Days prior to the start of the relevant Testing (as specified in the Implementation Plan).
- 6.2 Each Test Specification shall include as a minimum:

- 6.2.1 the specification of the Test data, including its source, scope, volume and management, a request (if applicable) for relevant Test data to be provided by the Buyer and the extent to which it is equivalent to live operational data;
- 6.2.2 a plan to make the resources available for Testing;
- 6.2.3 Test scripts;
- 6.2.4 Test pre-requisites and the mechanism for measuring them; and
- 6.2.5 expected Test results, including:
  - (a) a mechanism to be used to capture and record Test results; and
  - (b) a method to process the Test results to establish their content.

## **7 Performing the tests**

- 7.1 Before submitting any Deliverables for Testing the Supplier shall subject the relevant Deliverables to its own internal quality control measures.
- 7.2 The Supplier shall manage the progress of Testing in accordance with the relevant Test Plan and shall carry out the Tests in accordance with the relevant Test Specification. Tests may be witnessed by the Test Witnesses in accordance with Paragraph 9.3.
- 7.3 The Supplier shall notify the Buyer at least 10 Working Days in advance of the date, time and location of the relevant Tests and the Buyer shall ensure that the Test Witnesses attend the Tests.
- 7.4 The Buyer may raise and close Test Issues during the Test witnessing process.
- 7.5 The Supplier shall provide to the Buyer in relation to each Test:
  - 7.5.1 a draft Test Report not less than 2 Working Days prior to the date on which the Test is planned to end; and
  - 7.5.2 the final Test Report within 5 Working Days of completion of Testing.
- 7.6 Each Test Report shall provide a full report on the Testing conducted in respect of the relevant Deliverables, including:
  - 7.6.1 an overview of the Testing conducted;
  - 7.6.2 identification of the relevant Test Success Criteria that have/have not been satisfied together with the Supplier's explanation of why any criteria have not been met;
  - 7.6.3 the Tests that were not completed together with the Supplier's explanation of why those Tests were not completed;
  - 7.6.4 the Test Success Criteria that were satisfied, not satisfied or which were not tested, and any other relevant categories, in each case grouped by Severity Level in accordance with Paragraph 8.1; and
  - 7.6.5 the specification for any hardware and software used throughout Testing and any changes that were applied to that hardware and/or software during Testing.
- 7.7 When the Supplier has completed a Milestone it shall submit any Deliverables relating to that Milestone for Testing.
- 7.8 Each party shall bear its own costs in respect of the Testing. However, if a Milestone is not Achieved the Buyer shall be entitled to recover from the Supplier, any reasonable additional costs it may incur as a direct result of further review or re-Testing of a Milestone.
- 7.9 If the Supplier successfully completes the requisite Tests, the Buyer shall issue a Satisfaction Certificate as soon as reasonably practical following such successful

completion. Notwithstanding the issuing of any Satisfaction Certificate, the Supplier shall remain solely responsible for ensuring that the Deliverables are implemented in accordance with this Contract.

## **8 Discovering Problems**

- 8.1 Where a Test Report identifies a Test Issue, the Parties shall agree the classification of the Test Issue using the criteria specified in Annex 1 and the Test Issue Management Log maintained by the Supplier shall log Test Issues reflecting the Severity Level allocated to each Test Issue.
- 8.2 The Supplier shall be responsible for maintaining the Test Issue Management Log and for ensuring that its contents accurately represent the current status of each Test Issue at all relevant times. The Supplier shall make the Test Issue Management Log available to the Buyer upon request.
- 8.3 The Buyer shall confirm the classification of any Test Issue unresolved at the end of a Test in consultation with the Supplier. If the Parties are unable to agree the classification of any unresolved Test Issue, the Dispute shall be dealt with in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure using the Expedited Dispute Timetable.

## **9 Test witnessing**

- 9.1 The Buyer may, in its sole discretion, require the attendance at any Test of one or more Test Witnesses selected by the Buyer, each of whom shall have appropriate skills to fulfil the role of a Test Witness.
- 9.2 The Supplier shall give the Test Witnesses access to any documentation and Testing environments reasonably necessary and requested by the Test Witnesses to perform their role as a Test Witness in respect of the relevant Tests.
- 9.3 The Test Witnesses:
  - 9.3.1 shall actively review the Test documentation;
  - 9.3.2 will attend and engage in the performance of the Tests on behalf of the Buyer so as to enable the Buyer to gain an informed view of whether a Test Issue may be closed or whether the relevant element of the Test should be re-Tested;
  - 9.3.3 shall not be involved in the execution of any Test;
  - 9.3.4 shall be required to verify that the Supplier conducted the Tests in accordance with the Test Success Criteria and the relevant Test Plan and Test Specification;
  - 9.3.5 may produce and deliver their own, independent reports on Testing, which may be used by the Buyer to assess whether the Tests have been Achieved;
  - 9.3.6 may raise Test Issues on the Test Issue Management Log in respect of any Testing; and
- 9.4 may require the Supplier to demonstrate the modifications made to any defective Deliverable before a Test Issue is closed.

## **10 Auditing the quality of the test**

- 10.1 The Buyer or an agent or contractor appointed by the Buyer may perform on-going quality audits in respect of any part of the Testing (each a "**Testing Quality Audit**") subject to the provisions set out in the agreed Quality Plan.
- 10.2 The Supplier shall allow sufficient time in the Test Plan to ensure that adequate responses to a Testing Quality Audit can be provided.



- 10.3 The Buyer will give the Supplier at least 5 Working Days' written notice of the Buyer's intention to undertake a Testing Quality Audit.
- 10.4 The Supplier shall provide all reasonable necessary assistance and access to all relevant documentation required by the Buyer to enable it to carry out the Testing Quality Audit.
- 10.5 If the Testing Quality Audit gives the Buyer concern in respect of the Testing Procedures or any Test, the Buyer shall prepare a written report for the Supplier detailing its concerns and the Supplier shall, within a reasonable timeframe, respond in writing to the Buyer's report.
- 10.6 In the event of an inadequate response to the written report from the Supplier, the Buyer (acting reasonably) may withhold a Satisfaction Certificate until the issues in the report have been addressed to the reasonable satisfaction of the Buyer.

### **11 Outcome of the testing**

- 11.1 The Buyer will issue a Satisfaction Certificate when the Deliverables satisfy the Test Success Criteria in respect of that Test without any Test Issues.
- 11.2 If the Deliverables (or any relevant part) do not satisfy the Test Success Criteria then the Buyer shall notify the Supplier and:
  - 11.2.1 the Buyer may issue a Satisfaction Certificate conditional upon the remediation of the Test Issues;
  - 11.2.2 the Buyer may extend the Test Plan by such reasonable period or periods as the Parties may reasonably agree and require the Supplier to rectify the cause of the Test Issue and re-submit the Deliverables (or the relevant part) to Testing; or
  - 11.2.3 where the failure to satisfy the Test Success Criteria results, or is likely to result, in the failure (in whole or in part) by the Supplier to meet a Milestone, then without prejudice to the Buyer's other rights and remedies, such failure shall constitute a material Default.
- 11.3 The Buyer shall be entitled, without prejudice to any other rights and remedies that it has under this Contract, to recover from the Supplier any reasonable additional costs it may incur as a direct result of further review or re-Testing which is required for the Test Success Criteria for that Deliverable to be satisfied.
- 11.4 The Buyer shall issue a Satisfaction Certificate in respect of a given Milestone as soon as is reasonably practicable following:
  - 11.4.1 the issuing by the Buyer of Satisfaction Certificates and/or conditional Satisfaction Certificates in respect of all Deliverables related to that Milestone which are due to be Tested; and
  - 11.4.2 performance by the Supplier to the reasonable satisfaction of the Buyer of any other tasks identified in the Implementation Plan as associated with that Milestone.
- 11.5 The grant of a Satisfaction Certificate shall entitle the Supplier to the receipt of a payment in respect of that Milestone in accordance with the provisions of any Implementation Plan and Clause 4 (Pricing and payments).
- 11.6 If a Milestone is not Achieved, the Buyer shall promptly issue a report to the Supplier setting out the applicable Test Issues and any other reasons for the relevant Milestone not being Achieved.
- 11.7 If there are Test Issues but these do not exceed the Test Issues Threshold, then provided there are no Material Test Issues, the Buyer shall issue a Satisfaction Certificate.

- 11.8 If there is one or more Material Test Issue(s), the Buyer shall refuse to issue a Satisfaction Certificate and, without prejudice to the Buyer's other rights and remedies, such failure shall constitute a material Default.
- 11.9 If there are Test Issues which exceed the Test Issues Threshold but there are no Material Test Issues, the Buyer may at its discretion (without waiving any rights in relation to the other options) choose to issue a Satisfaction Certificate conditional on the remediation of the Test Issues in accordance with an agreed Rectification Plan provided that:
  - 11.9.1 any Rectification Plan shall be agreed before the issue of a conditional Satisfaction Certificate unless the Buyer agrees otherwise (in which case the Supplier shall submit a Rectification Plan for approval by the Buyer within 10 Working Days of receipt of the Buyer's report pursuant to Paragraph 10.5); and
  - 11.9.2 where the Buyer issues a conditional Satisfaction Certificate, it may (but shall not be obliged to) revise the failed Milestone Date and any subsequent Milestone Date.

## **12 Risk**

- 12.1 The issue of a Satisfaction Certificate and/or a conditional Satisfaction Certificate shall not:
  - 12.1.1 operate to transfer any risk that the relevant Deliverable or Milestone is complete or will meet and/or satisfy the Buyer's requirements for that Deliverable or Milestone; or
  - 12.1.2 affect the Buyer's right subsequently to reject all or any element of the Deliverables and/or any Milestone to which a Satisfaction Certificate relates.

## **Annex 1: Test Issues, Severity Levels**

**[REDACTED]**

## **Annex 2: Satisfaction Certificate**

**[REDACTED]**

## **Call-Off Schedule 14 (Service Levels and Balanced Scorecard)**

### **SECTION 1: SERVICE LEVELS**

**[REDACTED]**

## **Call-Off Schedule 15 (Call-Off Contract Management) [Optional]**

**[REDACTED]**

## **Annex: Contract Boards**

**[REDACTED]**

## **Call-Off Schedule 18 (Background Checks) [Optional]**

**[REDACTED]**



## **Annex 1: Relevant Convictions**

[REDACTED]

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

**[REDACTED]**

## Call-Off Schedule 26 (Cyber Essentials Scheme) [Optional]

**[REDACTED]**

### 1 Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions) RM1043.8

- 1.1 In each Contract, unless the context otherwise requires, capitalised expressions shall have the meanings set out in this Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions) or the relevant Schedule in which that capitalised expression appears.
- 1.2 If a capitalised expression does not have an interpretation in this Schedule or any other Schedule, it shall, in the first instance, be interpreted in accordance with the common interpretation within the relevant market sector/industry where appropriate. Otherwise, it shall be interpreted in accordance with the dictionary meaning.
- 1.3 In each Contract, unless the context otherwise requires:
  - 1.3.1 the singular includes the plural and vice versa;
  - 1.3.2 reference to a gender includes the other gender and the neuter;
  - 1.3.3 references to a person include an individual, company, body corporate, corporation, unincorporated association, firm, partnership or other legal entity or Central Government Body;
  - 1.3.4 a reference to any Law includes a reference to that Law as amended, extended, consolidated or re-enacted from time to time;
  - 1.3.5 the words "**including**", "**other**", "**in particular**", "**for example**" and similar words shall not limit the generality of the preceding words and shall be construed as if they were immediately followed by the words "**without limitation**";
  - 1.3.6 references to "**writing**" include typing, printing, lithography, photography, display on a screen, electronic and facsimile transmission and other modes of representing or reproducing words in a visible form, and expressions referring to writing shall be construed accordingly;
  - 1.3.7 references to "**representations**" shall be construed as references to present facts, to "**warranties**" as references to present and future facts and to "**undertakings**" as references to obligations under the Contract;
  - 1.3.8 references to "**Clauses**" and "**Schedules**" are, unless otherwise provided, references to the clauses and schedules of the Core Terms and references in any Schedule to parts, paragraphs, annexes and tables are, unless otherwise provided, references to the parts, paragraphs, annexes and tables of the Schedule in which these references appear;
  - 1.3.9 references to "**Paragraphs**" are, unless otherwise provided, references to the paragraph of the appropriate Schedules unless otherwise provided;
  - 1.3.10 references to a series of Clauses or Paragraphs shall be inclusive of the clause numbers specified;
  - 1.3.11 the headings in each Contract are for ease of reference only and shall not affect the interpretation or construction of a Contract;
  - 1.3.12 where the Buyer is a Central Government Body it shall be treated as contracting with the Crown as a whole;
  - 1.3.13 where a standard, policy or document is referred to by reference of a hyperlink, if that hyperlink is changed or no longer provides access to the relevant standard,

policy or document, the Supplier shall notify the Relevant Authority and the Parties shall update the reference to a replacement hyperlink;

1.3.14 any reference in a Contract which immediately before Exit Day was a reference to (as it has effect from time to time):

(a) any EU regulation, EU decision, EU tertiary legislation or provision of the EEA agreement ("**EU References**") which is to form part of domestic law by application of section 3 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 shall be read on and after Exit Day as a reference to the EU References as they form part of domestic law by virtue of section 3 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 as modified by domestic law from time to time; and

(b) any EU institution or EU authority or other such EU body shall be read on and after Exit Day as a reference to the UK institution, authority or body to which its functions were transferred; and

1.3.15 unless otherwise provided, references to "**Buyer**" shall be construed as including Exempt Buyers; and

1.3.16 unless otherwise provided, references to "**Call-Off Contract**" and "**Contract**" shall be construed as including Exempt Call-off Contracts.

1.4 In each Contract, unless the context otherwise requires, the following words shall have the following meanings:

Term	Definition
<b>Achieve</b>	in respect of a Test, to successfully pass such Test without any Test Issues and in respect of a Milestone, the issue of a Satisfaction Certificate in respect of that Milestone if specified within the Buyer's acceptance testing procedure and " <b>Achieved</b> ", " <b>Achieving</b> " and " <b>Achievement</b> " shall be construed accordingly;
<b>Additional Insurances</b>	insurance requirements relating to a Call-Off Contract specified in the Order Form additional to those outlined in Joint Schedule 3 (Insurance Requirements);
<b>Admin Fee</b>	means the costs incurred by CCS in dealing with MI Failures calculated in accordance with the tariff of administration charges published by the CCS on: <b>[REDACTED]</b>
<b>Affected Party</b>	the Party seeking to claim relief in respect of a Force Majeure Event;
<b>Affiliates</b>	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;
<b>Annex</b>	extra information which supports a Schedule;
<b>Approval</b>	the prior written consent of the Buyer and " <b>Approve</b> " and " <b>Approved</b> " shall be construed accordingly;
<b>Audit</b>	the Relevant Authority's right to: (a) verify the accuracy of the Charges and any other amounts payable by a Buyer under a Call-Off Contract (including proposed or actual variations to them in accordance with the Contract);

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(b) verify the costs of the Supplier (including the costs of all Subcontractors and any third party suppliers) in connection with the provision of the Services;</li> <li>(c) verify the Open Book Data;</li> <li>(d) verify the Supplier's and each Subcontractor's compliance with the Contract and applicable Law;</li> <li>(e) identify or investigate actual or suspected breach of Clauses 27 to 33 and/or Joint Schedule 5 (Corporate Social Responsibility), impropriety or accounting mistakes or any breach or threatened breach of security and in these circumstances the Relevant Authority shall have no obligation to inform the Supplier of the purpose or objective of its investigations;</li> <li>(f) identify or investigate any circumstances which may impact upon the financial stability of the Supplier, any Guarantor, and/or any Subcontractors or their ability to provide the Deliverables;</li> <li>(g) obtain such information as is necessary to fulfil the Relevant Authority's obligations to supply information for parliamentary, ministerial, judicial or administrative purposes including the supply of information to the Comptroller and Auditor General;</li> <li>(h) review any books of account and the internal contract management accounts kept by the Supplier in connection with each Contract;</li> <li>(i) carry out the Relevant Authority's internal and statutory audits and to prepare, examine and/or certify the Relevant Authority's annual and interim reports and accounts;</li> <li>(j) 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 Relevant Authority has used its resources; or</li> <li>(k) verify the accuracy and completeness of any Management Information delivered or required by the Framework Contract;</li> </ul>
<b>Auditor</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the Buyer's internal and external auditors;</li> <li>(b) the Buyer's statutory or regulatory auditors;</li> <li>(c) the Comptroller and Auditor General, their staff and/or any appointed representatives of the National Audit Office;</li> <li>(d) HM Treasury or the Cabinet Office;</li> <li>(e) any party formally appointed by the Relevant Authority to carry out audit or similar review functions; and</li> <li>(f) successors or assigns of any of the above;</li> </ul>
<b>Authority</b>	CCS and each Buyer;
<b>Authority Cause</b>	any breach of the obligations of the Relevant Authority or any other default, act, omission, negligence or statement of the Relevant Authority, of its employees, servants, agents in connection with or in relation to the subject-matter of the Contract and in respect of which the Relevant Authority is liable to the Supplier;

<b>Authorised User</b>	CCS' and Buyers' individual or group of individuals (including employees, consultants, contractors and agents) authorised by CCS and/or the Buyer to: (a) access and use the Platform for the purposes set out in Framework Schedule 7 (Call-Off Award Procedure); and (b) the rights granted under (a) shall apply unless and until that authorisation is revoked by CCS or the Buyer;
<b>BACS</b>	the Bankers' Automated Clearing Services, which is a scheme for the electronic processing of financial transactions within the United Kingdom;
<b>Balanced Scorecard</b>	a tool for Call-Off Contract management activity, through measurement of a Supplier's performance against key performance indicators, which the Buyer and Supplier may agree at the Call-Off Contract Start Date;
<b>Beneficiary</b>	a Party having (or claiming to have) the benefit of an indemnity under this Contract;
<b>Buyer</b>	the relevant public sector purchaser identified as such in the Order Form;
<b>Buyer Assets</b>	the Buyer's infrastructure, data, software, materials, assets, equipment or other property owned by and/or licensed or leased to the Buyer and which is or may be used in connection with the provision of the Deliverables which remain the property of the Buyer throughout the term of the Contract;
<b>Buyer Authorised Representative</b>	the representative appointed by the Buyer from time to time in relation to the Call-Off Contract initially identified in the Order Form;
<b>Buyer Guidance</b>	guidance for Buyers on how to buy digital services using the Framework Contract, located at: <b>[REDACTED]</b>
<b>Buyer Premises</b>	premises owned, controlled or occupied by the Buyer which are made available for use by the Supplier or its Subcontractors for the provision of the Deliverables (or any of them);
<b>Buyer Registration Process</b>	the process to be completed in accordance with Framework Schedule 7 (Call-Off Award Procedure) or as otherwise notified to the Buyer in writing by CCS, the completion of which shall result in a potential Buyer being registered as a "Buyer" within the Platform which will entitle the Buyer to undertake a Call-Off Procedure in accordance with Framework Schedule 7, as supported by the Platform;
<b>Call-Off Contract</b>	the contract between the Buyer and the Supplier (entered into pursuant to the provisions of the Framework Contract), which consists of the terms set out and referred to in the Order Form;
<b>Call-Off Contract Period</b>	the Contract Period in respect of the Call-Off Contract;
<b>Call-Off Expiry Date</b>	the latter of: (a) the scheduled date of the end of a Call-Off Contract as stated in the Order Form; or (b) the date of completion of the last Deliverable due under the last Statement of Work under the Call-Off Contract;
<b>Call-Off Incorporated Terms</b>	the contractual terms applicable to the Call-Off Contract specified under the relevant heading in the Order Form;
<b>Call-Off Initial Period</b>	the Initial Period of a Call-Off Contract specified in the Order Form;

<b>Call-Off Optional Extension Period</b>	such period or periods beyond which the Call-Off Initial Period may be extended as specified in the Order Form;
<b>Call-Off Procedure</b>	the process for awarding a Call-Off Contract pursuant to Clause 2 (How the contract works) and Framework Schedule 7 (Call-Off Award Procedure);
<b>Call-Off Special Terms</b>	any additional terms and conditions specified in the Order Form incorporated into the applicable Call-Off Contract;
<b>Call-Off Start Date</b>	the date of start of a Call-Off Contract as stated in the Order Form;
<b>Call-Off Tender</b>	the tender submitted by the Supplier in response to the Buyer's Statement of Requirements following a Further Competition Procedure and set out at Call-Off Schedule 4 (Call-Off Tender);
<b>Cap</b>	the maximum amount to be paid by the Buyer under a Time and Materials mechanism for the delivery of an agreed scope; and <b>"Capped"</b> shall be construed accordingly;
<b>Capped Time and Materials</b>	Time and Materials payable up to a specified Cap for delivery of the agreed scope of Deliverables;
<b>CCS</b>	the Minister for the Cabinet Office as represented by Crown Commercial Service, which is an executive agency and operates as a trading fund of the Cabinet Office, whose offices are located at 9th Floor, The Capital, Old Hall Street, Liverpool L3 9PP;
<b>CCS Authorised Representative</b>	the representative appointed by CCS from time to time in relation to the Framework Contract initially identified in the Framework Award Form;
<b>Central Government Body</b>	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; (b) Non-Departmental Public Body or Assembly Sponsored Public Body (advisory, executive, or tribunal); (c) Non-Ministerial Department; or (d) Executive Agency;
<b>Change in Law</b>	any change in Law which impacts on the supply of the Deliverables and performance of the Contract which comes into force after the Start Date;
<b>Change of Control</b>	is: (a) a change of control within the meaning of Section 450 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010; or (b) any instance where the Supplier demerges into 2 or more firms, merges with another firm, incorporated or otherwise changes its legal form;
<b>Charges</b>	the prices (exclusive of any applicable VAT), payable to the Supplier by the Buyer under the Call-Off Contract, as set out in the Order Form and, if applicable, each Statement of Work, for the full and proper performance by the Supplier of its obligations under the Call-Off Contract less any Deductions;
<b>Claim</b>	any claim which it appears that a Beneficiary is, or may become, entitled to indemnification under this Contract;
<b>Commercially Sensitive Information</b>	the Confidential Information listed in the Framework Award Form or Order Form (if any) comprising of commercially sensitive information relating to the Supplier, its IPR or its business or which the Supplier has indicated to the Authority that, if disclosed by the Authority, would cause the Supplier significant commercial disadvantage or material financial loss;

<b>Comparable Supply</b>	the supply of Deliverables to another Buyer of the Supplier that are the same or similar to the Deliverables;
<b>Compliance Officer</b>	the person(s) appointed by the Supplier who is responsible for ensuring that the Supplier complies with its legal obligations;
<b>Confidential Information</b>	any information, however it is conveyed, that relates to the business, affairs, developments, trade secrets, Know-How, personnel and suppliers of CCS, the Buyer or the Supplier, including IPRs, together with information derived from the above, and any other information clearly designated as being confidential (whether or not it is marked as " <b>confidential</b> ") or which ought reasonably to be considered to be confidential;
<b>Conflict of Interest</b>	a conflict between the financial or personal duties of the Supplier or the Supplier Staff and the duties owed to CCS or any Buyer under a Contract, in the reasonable opinion of the Buyer or CCS, as the context requires;
<b>Contract</b>	either the Framework Contract or the Call-Off Contract, as the context requires;
<b>Contract Period</b>	the term of either a Framework Contract or Call-Off Contract on and from the earlier of the: (a) applicable Start Date; or (b) the Effective Date up to and including the applicable End Date;
<b>Contract Value</b>	the higher of the actual or expected total Charges paid or payable under a Contract where all obligations are met by the Supplier;
<b>Contract Year</b>	a consecutive period of twelve (12) Months commencing on the Start Date or each anniversary thereof;
<b>Control</b>	(a) control in either of the senses defined in sections 450 and 1124 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010; or  (b) any instance where the Supplier demerges into 2 or more firms, merges with another firm, incorporate or otherwise changes its legal form;  and " <b>Controlled</b> " shall be construed accordingly;
<b>Controller</b>	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR;
<b>Core Terms</b>	CCS' terms and conditions for common goods and services which govern how Suppliers must interact with CCS and Buyers under Framework Contracts and Call-Off Contracts;
<b>Costs</b>	the following costs (without double recovery) to the extent that they are reasonably and properly incurred by the Supplier in providing the Deliverables: (a) the cost to the Supplier or the Key Subcontractor (as the context requires), calculated per Work Day, of engaging the Supplier Staff, including:  (i) base salary paid to the Supplier Staff; (ii) employer's National Insurance contributions; (iii) pension contributions; (iv) car allowances; (v) any other contractual employment benefits; (vi) staff training; (vii) work place accommodation;



	<p>(viii) work place IT equipment and tools reasonably necessary to provide the Deliverables (but not including items included within limb (b) below); and</p> <p>(ix) reasonable recruitment costs, as agreed with the Buyer;</p> <p>(b) costs incurred in respect of Supplier Assets which would be treated as capital costs according to generally accepted accounting principles within the UK, which shall include the cost to be charged in respect of Supplier Assets by the Supplier to the Buyer or (to the extent that risk and title in any Supplier Asset is not held by the Supplier) any cost actually incurred by the Supplier in respect of those Supplier Assets;</p> <p>(c) operational costs which are not included within (a) or (b) above, to the extent that such costs are necessary and properly incurred by the Supplier in the provision of the Deliverables; and</p> <p>(d) Reimbursable Expenses to the extent these have been specified as allowable in the Order Form and are incurred in delivering any Deliverables;</p> <p>but excluding:</p> <p>(i) Overhead;</p> <p>(ii) financing or similar costs;</p> <p>(iii) maintenance and support costs to the extent that these relate to maintenance and/or support Deliverables provided beyond the Call-Off Contract Period whether in relation to Supplier Assets or otherwise;</p> <p>(iv) taxation;</p> <p>(v) fines and penalties;</p> <p>(vi) amounts payable under Call-Off Schedule 16 (Benchmarking) where such Schedule is used; and</p> <p>(vii) non-cash items (including depreciation, amortisation, impairments and movements in provisions);</p>
<b>CRTPA</b>	the Contract Rights of Third Parties Act 1999;
<b>Data Protection Impact Assessment</b>	an assessment by the Controller of the impact of the envisaged Processing on the protection of Personal Data;
<b>Data Protection Legislation</b>	(i) the UK GDPR as amended from time to time; (ii) the DPA 2018 to the extent that it relates to Processing of Personal Data and privacy; (iii) all applicable Law about the Processing of Personal Data and privacy;
<b>Data Protection Liability Cap</b>	the amount specified in the Framework Award Form;
<b>Data Protection Officer</b>	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR;
<b>Data Subject</b>	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR;
<b>Data Subject Access Request</b>	a request made by, or on behalf of, a Data Subject in accordance with rights granted pursuant to the Data Protection Legislation to access their Personal Data;
<b>Day Rate</b>	the Pricing Mechanism where the Supplier will invoice the Buyer for Supplier Staff providing Deliverables (or one or more of the elements of the Deliverables) based on a rate for no more than 7.5 Work Hours performed by the Supplier's Staff;

<b>Deductions</b>	all Service Credits, Delay Payments (if applicable), or any other deduction which the Buyer is paid or is payable to the Buyer under a Call-Off Contract;
<b>Default</b>	any breach of the obligations of the Supplier (including abandonment of a Contract in breach of its terms) or any other default (including material default), act, omission, negligence or statement of the Supplier, of its Subcontractors or any Supplier Staff howsoever arising in connection with or in relation to the subject-matter of a Contract and in respect of which the Supplier is liable to the Relevant Authority;
<b>Default Management Charge</b>	has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 8.1.1 of Framework Schedule 5 (Management Charges and Information);
<b>Delay Payments</b>	the amounts (if any) payable by the Supplier to the Buyer in respect of a delay in respect of a Milestone as specified in the Implementation Plan;
<b>Deliverables</b>	Goods and/or Services that may be ordered under the Contract including the Documentation;
<b>Delivery</b>	delivery of the relevant Deliverable or Milestone in accordance with the terms of a Call-Off Contract as confirmed and accepted by the Buyer by the either (a) confirmation in writing to the Supplier; or (b) where Call-Off Schedule 13 (Implementation Plan and Testing) is used issue by the Buyer of a Satisfaction Certificate. " <b>Deliver</b> " and " <b>Delivered</b> " shall be construed accordingly;
<b>Disclosing Party</b>	the Party directly or indirectly providing Confidential Information to the other Party in accordance with Clause 15 (What you must keep confidential);
<b>Dispute</b>	any claim, dispute or difference (whether contractual or non-contractual) arising out of or in connection with the Contract or in connection with the negotiation, existence, legal validity, enforceability or termination of the Contract, whether the alleged liability shall arise under English law or under the law of some other country and regardless of whether a particular cause of action may successfully be brought in the English courts;
<b>Dispute Resolution Procedure</b>	the dispute resolution procedure set out in Clause 34 (Resolving disputes);
<b>Documentation</b>	descriptions of the Services and Service Levels, technical specifications, user manuals, training manuals, operating manuals, process definitions and procedures, system environment descriptions and all such other documentation (whether in hardcopy or electronic form) is required to be supplied by the Supplier to the Buyer under a Contract as: (a) would reasonably be required by a competent third party capable of Good Industry Practice contracted by the Buyer to develop, configure, build, deploy, run, maintain, upgrade and test the individual systems that provide the Deliverables (b) is required by the Supplier in order to provide the Deliverables; and/or (c) has been or shall be generated for the purpose of providing the Deliverables;
<b>DOTAS</b>	the Disclosure of Tax Avoidance Schemes rules which require a promoter of Tax schemes to tell HMRC of any specified notifiable arrangements or proposals and to provide prescribed information on those arrangements or proposals within set time limits as contained in Part 7 of the Finance Act 2004 and in secondary legislation made under vires contained in Part 7 of the Finance Act 2004 and as extended to National Insurance Contributions;
<b>DPA 2018</b>	the Data Protection Act 2018;

<b>Due Diligence Information</b>	any information supplied to the Supplier by or on behalf of the Authority prior to the Start Date;
<b>Effective Date</b>	the date on which the final Party has signed the Contract;
<b>EIR</b>	the Environmental Information Regulations 2004;
<b>Electronic Invoice</b>	an invoice which has been issued, transmitted and received in a structured electronic format which allows for its automatic and electronic processing and which complies with (a) the European standard and (b) any of the syntaxes published in Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2017/1870;
<b>Employment Regulations</b>	the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 (SI 2006/246) as amended or replaced or any other Regulations implementing the European Council Directive 77/187/EEC;
<b>End Date</b>	the earlier of: (a) the Expiry Date (as extended by any Extension Period exercised by the Relevant Authority under Clause 10.1.2); or (b) if a Contract or Statement of Work is terminated before the date specified in (a) above, the date of termination of the Contract or Statement of Work (as the context dictates);
<b>Environmental Policy</b>	to conserve energy, water, wood, paper and other resources, reduce waste and phase out the use of ozone depleting substances and minimise the release of greenhouse gases, volatile organic compounds and other substances damaging to health and the environment, including any written environmental policy of the Buyer;
<b>Equality and Human Rights Commission</b>	the UK Government body named as such as may be renamed or replaced by an equivalent body from time to time;
<b>Estimated Year 1 Charges</b>	the anticipated total Charges payable by the Buyer in the first Contract Year specified in the Order Form;
<b>Estimated Yearly Charges</b>	for the purposes of calculating each Party's annual liability under clause 11.2 : (i) in the first Contract Year, the Estimated Year 1 Charges; or (ii) in the any subsequent Contract Years, the Charges paid or payable in the previous Call-off Contract Year; or (iii) after the end of the Call-off Contract, the Charges paid or payable in the last Contract Year during the Call-off Contract Period;
<b>Exempt Buyer</b>	a public sector purchaser that is: (a) eligible to use the Framework Contract; and (b) is entering into an Exempt Call-off Contract that is not subject to (as applicable) any of: (i) the Regulations; (ii) the Concession Contracts Regulations 2016 (SI 2016/273); (iii) the Utilities Contracts Regulations 2016 (SI 2016/274); (iv) the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 (SI 2011/1848); (v) the Remedies Directive (2007/66/EC); (vi) Directive 2014/23/EU of the European Parliament and Council; (vii) Directive 2014/24/EU of the European Parliament and Council;

	(viii) Directive 2014/25/EU of the European Parliament and Council; or (ix) Directive 2009/81/EC of the European Parliament and Council;
<b>Exempt Call-off Contract</b>	the contract between the Exempt Buyer and the Supplier for Deliverables which consists of the terms set out and referred to in the Order Form incorporating and, where necessary, amending, refining or adding to the terms of the Framework Contract;
<b>Exempt Procurement Amendments</b>	any amendments, refinements or additions to any of the terms of the Framework Contract made through the Exempt Call-off Contract to reflect the specific needs of an Exempt Buyer to the extent permitted by and in accordance with any legal requirements applicable to that Exempt Buyer;
<b>Expenses Policy</b>	the Buyer's expenses policy as set out in Annex 1 to Call-Off Schedule 5 (Pricing Details and Expenses Policy);
<b>Existing IPR</b>	any and all IPR that are owned by or licensed to either Party and which are or have been developed independently of the Contract (whether prior to the Start Date or otherwise) and shall include, in the case of CCS, the website domain names <a href="http://www.crowncommercial.gov.uk">www.crowncommercial.gov.uk</a> and [Insert] regarding the Platform;
<b>Exit Day</b>	shall have the meaning in the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018;
<b>Expiry Date</b>	the Framework Expiry Date or the Call-Off Expiry Date (as the context dictates);
<b>Extension Period</b>	the Framework Optional Extension Period or the Call-Off Optional Extension Period as the context dictates;
<b>Fixed Price</b>	the Pricing Mechanism where Charges are agreed at a set amount in relation to all work to be done under a Contract, Statement of Work, Deliverable(s) (or one or more element of the Deliverable(s)) including all materials and/or Milestones, no matter how much work is required to complete each Contract, Statement of Work, Deliverable(s) (or one or more element of the Deliverable(s)) within the agreed scope, and the total amount to be paid by the Buyer will not exceed the agreed fixed price;
<b>FOIA</b>	the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and any subordinate legislation made under that Act from time to time together with any guidance and/or codes of practice issued by the Information Commissioner or relevant Government department in relation to such legislation;
<b>Force Majeure Event</b>	any event outside the reasonable control of either Party affecting its performance of its obligations under the Contract arising from acts, events, omissions, happenings or non-happenings beyond its reasonable control and which are not attributable to any wilful act, neglect or failure to take reasonable preventative action by that Party, including: (a) riots, civil commotion, war or armed conflict; (b) acts of terrorism; (c) acts of government, local government or regulatory bodies; (d) fire, flood, storm or earthquake or other natural disaster, but excluding any industrial dispute relating to the Supplier, the Supplier Staff or any other failure in the Supplier or the Subcontractor's supply chain;
<b>Force Majeure Notice</b>	a written notice served by the Affected Party on the other Party stating that the Affected Party believes that there is a Force Majeure Event;
<b>Framework Award Form</b>	the document outlining the Framework Incorporated Terms and crucial information required for the Framework Contract, to be executed by the Supplier and CCS;

<b>Framework Contract</b>	the framework agreement established between CCS and the Supplier in accordance with Regulation 33 by the Framework Award Form for the provision of the Deliverables to Buyers by the Supplier pursuant to the notice published on the Find a Tender Service;
<b>Framework Contract Period</b>	the period from the Framework Start Date until the End Date of the Framework Contract;
<b>Framework Expiry Date</b>	the scheduled date of the end of the Framework Contract as stated in the Framework Award Form;
<b>Framework Incorporated Terms</b>	the contractual terms applicable to the Framework Contract specified in the Framework Award Form;
<b>Framework Optional Extension Period</b>	such period or periods beyond which the Framework Contract Period may be extended as specified in the Framework Award Form;
<b>Framework Price(s)</b>	the price(s) applicable to the provision of the Deliverables set out in Framework Schedule 3 (Framework Prices);
<b>Framework Special Terms</b>	any additional terms and conditions specified in the Framework Award Form incorporated into the Framework Contract;
<b>Framework Start Date</b>	the date of start of the Framework Contract as stated in the Framework Award Form;
<b>Framework Tender Response</b>	the tender submitted by the Supplier to CCS and annexed to or referred to in Framework Schedule 2 (Framework Tender);
<b>Further Competition Procedure</b>	the further competition procedure described in Framework Schedule 7 (Call-Off Award Procedure);
<b>General Anti-Abuse Rule</b>	(a) the legislation in Part 5 of the Finance Act 2013; and (b) any future legislation introduced into parliament to counteract Tax advantages arising from abusive arrangements to avoid National Insurance contributions;
<b>General Change in Law</b>	a Change in Law where the change is of a general legislative nature (including Tax or duties of any sort affecting the Supplier) or which affects or relates to a Comparable Supply;
<b>Goods</b>	goods made available by the Supplier as specified in Framework Schedule 1 (Specification) and in relation to a Call-Off Contract as specified in the Order Form;
<b>Good Industry Practice</b>	standards, practices, methods and procedures conforming to the Law and the exercise of the degree of skill and care, diligence, prudence and foresight which would reasonably and ordinarily be expected from a skilled and experienced person or body engaged within the relevant industry or business sector;
<b>Government</b>	the government of the United Kingdom (including the Northern Ireland Assembly and Executive Committee, the Scottish Government and the National Assembly for Wales), including government ministers and government departments and other bodies, persons, commissions or agencies from time to time carrying out functions on its behalf;
<b>Government Data</b>	the data, text, drawings, diagrams, images or sounds (together with any database made up of any of these) which are embodied in any electronic, magnetic, optical or tangible media, including any of the Authority's Confidential Information, and which: (i) are supplied to the Supplier by or on behalf of the Authority; (ii) the Supplier is required to generate, process, store or transmit pursuant to a Contract; (iii) any Personal Data for which CCS or the Buyer is the Controller; or

	(iv) all Buyer Registration Process data submitted by Buyers into the Platform, including the full auditable history of any and all transactions and procedures conducted via the Platform;
<b>Guarantor</b>	the person (if any) who has entered into a guarantee in the form set out in Joint Schedule 8 (Guarantee) in relation to this Contract;
<b>Halifax Abuse Principle</b>	the principle explained in the CJEU Case C-255/02 Halifax and others;
<b>HMRC</b>	Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs;
<b>Hourly Rate</b>	the Pricing Mechanism where the Supplier will invoice the Buyer for the work undertaken by Supplier Staff providing the Deliverables (or one or more of the elements of the Deliverables) under the Contract (and, if applicable, each SOW) based on the division of the applicable Supplier Staff Day Rate by no less than 7.5 being the applicable Work Day where the Supplier Staff grade is set out in Annex 1 of Framework Schedule 3 (Framework Prices);
<b>ICT Policy</b>	the Buyer's policy and any Platform policy in respect of information and communications technology, referred to in the Order Form, which is in force as at the Call-Off Start Date (a copy of which has been supplied to the Supplier), as updated from time to time in accordance with the Variation Procedure;
<b>Impact Assessment</b>	an assessment of the impact of a Variation request by the Relevant Authority completed in good faith, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) details of the impact of the proposed Variation on the Deliverables and the Supplier's ability to meet its other obligations under the Contract;</li> <li>(b) details of the cost of implementing the proposed Variation;</li> <li>(c) details of the ongoing costs required by the proposed Variation when implemented, including any increase or decrease in the Framework Prices/Charges (as applicable), any alteration in the resources and/or expenditure required by either Party and any alteration to the working practices of either Party;</li> <li>(d) a timetable for the implementation, together with any proposals for the testing of the Variation; and</li> <li>(e) such other information as the Relevant Authority may reasonably request in (or in response to) the Variation request;</li> </ul>
<b>Implementation Plan</b>	the plan for provision of the Deliverables set out in Call-Off Schedule 13 (Implementation Plan and Testing) where that Schedule is used or otherwise as agreed between the Supplier and the Buyer;
<b>Incremental Fixed Price</b>	the Price Mechanism where the overall Statement of Work is based on Capped Time and Materials, but where the prices for individual Deliverables Increments are fixed prior to the work being undertaken. The Charges for the first Deliverable Increment or Deliverables Increments for the Statement of Work will be fixed, but the Charges for subsequent Deliverables Increments will be reviewed and refined prior to the execution of each subsequent Deliverables Increment within the same Statement of Work;
<b>Indemnifier</b>	a Party from whom an indemnity is sought under this Contract;
<b>Independent Control</b>	where a Controller has provided Personal Data to another Party which is not a Processor or a Joint Controller because the recipient itself determines the purposes and means of Processing but does so separately

	from the Controller providing it with Personal Data and “ <b>Independent Controller</b> ” shall be construed accordingly;
<b>Indexation</b>	the adjustment of an amount or sum in accordance with Framework Schedule 3 (Framework Prices) and the relevant Order Form;
<b>Information</b>	has the meaning given under section 84 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000;
<b>Information Commissioner</b>	the UK’s independent authority which deals with ensuring information relating to rights in the public interest and data privacy for individuals is met, whilst promoting openness by public bodies;
<b>Initial Period</b>	the initial term of a Contract specified in the Framework Award Form or the Order Form, as the context requires;
<b>Insolvency Event</b>	<p>with respect to any person, means:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) that person suspends, or threatens to suspend, payment of its debts, or is unable to pay its debts as they fall due or admits inability to pay its debts, or: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) (being a company or a LLP) is deemed unable to pay its debts within the meaning of section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986, or</li> <li>(ii) (being a partnership) is deemed unable to pay its debts within the meaning of section 222 of the Insolvency Act 1986;</li> </ul> </li> <li>(b) that person commences negotiations with one or more of its creditors (using a voluntary arrangement, scheme of arrangement or otherwise) with a view to rescheduling any of its debts, or makes a proposal for or enters into any compromise or arrangement with one or more of its creditors or takes any step to obtain a moratorium pursuant to Section 1A and Schedule A1 of the Insolvency Act 1986 other than (in the case of a company, a LLP or a partnership) for the sole purpose of a scheme for a solvent amalgamation of that person with one or more other companies or the solvent reconstruction of that person;</li> <li>(c) another person becomes entitled to appoint a receiver over the assets of that person or a receiver is appointed over the assets of that person;</li> <li>(d) a creditor or encumbrancer of that person attaches or takes possession of, or a distress, execution or other such process is levied or enforced on or sued against, the whole or any part of that person’s assets and such attachment or process is not discharged within 14 days;</li> <li>(e) that person suspends or ceases, or threatens to suspend or cease, carrying on all or a substantial part of its business;</li> <li>(f) where that person is a company, a LLP or a partnership: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) a petition is presented (which is not dismissed within 14 days of its service), a notice is given, a resolution is passed, or an order is made, for or in connection with the winding up of that person other than for the sole purpose of a scheme for a solvent amalgamation of that person with one or more other companies or the solvent reconstruction of that person;</li> <li>(ii) an application is made to court, or an order is made, for the appointment of an administrator, or if a notice of intention to appoint an administrator is filed at Court or given or if an administrator is appointed, over that person;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>(iii) (being a company or a LLP) the holder of a qualifying floating charge over the assets of that person has become entitled to appoint or has appointed an administrative receiver; or</p> <p>(iv) (being a partnership) the holder of an agricultural floating charge over the assets of that person has become entitled to appoint or has appointed an agricultural receiver; or</p> <p>(g) any event occurs, or proceeding is taken, with respect to that person in any jurisdiction to which it is subject that has an effect equivalent or similar to any of the events mentioned above;</p>
<b>Installation Works</b>	all works which the Supplier is to carry out at the beginning of the Call-Off Contract Period to install the Goods in accordance with the Call-Off Contract and, if applicable, each SOW;
<b>Intellectual Property Rights or IPR</b>	<p>(a) copyright, rights related to or affording protection similar to copyright, rights in databases, patents and rights in inventions, semi-conductor topography rights, trade marks, rights in internet domain names and website addresses and other rights in trade or business names, goodwill, designs, Know-How, trade secrets and other rights in Confidential Information;</p> <p>(b) applications for registration, and the right to apply for registration, for any of the rights listed at (a) that are capable of being registered in any country or jurisdiction; and</p> <p>(c) all other rights having equivalent or similar effect in any country or jurisdiction;</p>
<b>Invoicing Address</b>	the address to which the Supplier shall invoice the Buyer as specified in the Order Form;
<b>IPR Claim</b>	any action, suit, claim, demand, Loss or other liability which the Relevant Authority or Central Government Body may suffer or incur as a result of any claim that the performance of the Deliverables infringes or allegedly infringes (including the defence of such infringement or alleged infringement or passing off) of any third party IPR, used to provide the Deliverables or otherwise provided and/or licensed by the Supplier (or to which the Supplier has provided access) to the Relevant Authority in the fulfilment of its obligations under a Contract;
<b>IR35</b>	<p>the off-payroll rules requiring individuals who work through their company pay the same income tax and National Insurance contributions as an employee which can be found online at:</p> <p><b>[REDACTED]</b></p>
<b>Joint Controller Agreement</b>	the agreement (if any) entered into between the Relevant Authority and the Supplier substantially in the form set out in Annex 2 of Joint Schedule 11 (Processing Data);



<b>Joint Controllers</b>	where two or more Controllers jointly determine the purposes and means of Processing;
<b>Joint Control</b>	where two or more Controllers agree jointly to determine the purposes and means of Processing Personal Data;
<b>Key Staff</b>	the individuals (if any) identified as such in the Order Form and any Statement of Work;
<b>Key Sub-Contract</b>	each Sub-Contract with a Key Subcontractor;
<b>Key Subcontractor</b>	any Subcontractor: (a) which is relied upon to deliver any work package within the Deliverables in their entirety; and/or (b) which, in the opinion of CCS or the Buyer performs (or would perform if appointed) a critical role in the provision of all or any part of the Deliverables; and/or (c) with a Sub-Contract with a contract value which at the time of appointment exceeds (or would exceed if appointed) 10% of the aggregate Charges forecast to be payable under the Call-Off Contract,  and the Supplier shall list all such Key Subcontractors in section 19 of the Framework Award Form and in the Key Subcontractor Section in the Order Form;
<b>Know-How</b>	all ideas, concepts, schemes, information, knowledge, techniques, methodology, and anything else in the nature of know-how relating to the Deliverables but excluding know-how already in the other Party's possession before the applicable Start Date;
<b>Law</b>	any law, subordinate legislation within the meaning of Section 21(1) of the Interpretation Act 1978, bye-law, enforceable right within the meaning of Section 2 of the European Communities Act 1972, regulation, order, regulatory policy, mandatory guidance or code of practice, judgment of a relevant court of law, or directives or requirements with which the relevant Party is bound to comply;
<b>Location</b>	the place at or from which the Supplier's team will provide the Services under the Call-Off Contract and, if applicable, each SOW;
<b>Losses</b>	all losses, liabilities, damages, costs, expenses (including legal and professional fees), disbursements, costs of investigation, litigation, settlement, judgment, interest and penalties whether arising in contract, tort (including negligence), breach of statutory duty, misrepresentation or otherwise and " <b>Loss</b> " shall be interpreted accordingly;
<b>Lots</b>	the number of lots specified in Framework Schedule 1 (Specification), if applicable;
<b>Management Charge</b>	the sum specified in the Framework Award Form payable by the Supplier to CCS in accordance with Framework Schedule 5 (Management Charges and Information);
<b>Management Information or MI</b>	the management information specified in Framework Schedule 5 (Management Charges and Information);
<b>Material KPIs</b>	any Key Performance Indicators which are identified by the Buyer as having a material impact on the performance of the Call-Off Contract;
<b>MI Default</b>	when two (2) MI Reports are not provided in any rolling six (6) month period;
<b>MI Failure</b>	when an MI report: (a) contains any material errors or material omissions or a missing mandatory field; or

	(b) is submitted using an incorrect MI reporting Template; or (c) is not submitted by the reporting date (including where a declaration of no business should have been filed);
<b>MI Report</b>	a report containing Management Information submitted to the Authority in accordance with Framework Schedule 5 (Management Charges and Information);
<b>MI Reporting Template</b>	the form of report set out in the Annex to Framework Schedule 5 (Management Charges and Information) setting out the information the Supplier is required to supply to the Authority;
<b>Milestone</b>	an event or task described in the Implementation Plan or Statement of Work;
<b>Milestone Date</b>	the target date set out against the relevant Milestone in the Implementation Plan by which the Milestone must be Achieved;
<b>Misconduct</b>	has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 8.2 of Framework Schedule 7 (Call-Off Award Procedure);
<b>Month</b>	a calendar month and " <b>Monthly</b> " shall be interpreted accordingly;
<b>National Insurance</b>	contributions required by the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 and made in accordance with the Social Security (Contributions) Regulations 2001 (SI 2001/1004);
<b>New IPR</b>	(a) IPR in items created by the Supplier (or by a third party on behalf of the Supplier) specifically for the purposes of a Contract and updates and amendments of these items including (but not limited to) database schema; and/or  (b) IPR in or arising as a result of the performance of the Supplier's obligations under a Contract and all updates and amendments to the same;  but shall not include the Supplier's Existing IPR;
<b>Occasion of Tax Non-Compliance</b>	where: (a) any Tax return of the Supplier submitted to a Relevant Tax Authority on or after 1 October 2012 is found on or after 1 April 2013 to be incorrect as a result of:  (i) a Relevant Tax Authority successfully challenging the Supplier under the General Anti-Abuse Rule or the Halifax Abuse Principle or under any Tax rules or legislation in any jurisdiction that have an effect equivalent or similar to the General Anti-Abuse Rule or the Halifax Abuse Principle;  (ii) the failure of an avoidance scheme which the Supplier was involved in, and which was, or should have been, notified to a Relevant Tax Authority under the DOTAS or any equivalent or similar regime in any jurisdiction; and/or  (b) any Tax return of the Supplier submitted to a Relevant Tax Authority on or after 1 October 2012 which gives rise, on or after 1 April 2013, to a criminal conviction in any jurisdiction for Tax related offences which is not spent at the Start Date or to a civil penalty for fraud or evasion;
<b>Off-Payroll Worker</b>	a worker (or contractor), not employed by the Supplier or any other organisation within the supply chain, that provides their services through their own private limited company or other type of intermediary which may include the worker's own personal service company, a partnership or an individual;

<b>Open Book Data</b>	<p>complete and accurate financial and non-financial information which is sufficient to enable the Buyer to verify the Charges already paid or payable and Charges forecast to be paid during the remainder of the Call-Off Contract, including details and all assumptions relating to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the Supplier's Costs broken down against each Good and/or Service and/or Deliverable, including actual capital expenditure (including capital replacement costs) and the unit cost and total actual costs of all Deliverables;</li> <li>(b) operating expenditure relating to the provision of the Deliverables including an analysis showing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) the unit costs and quantity of Goods and any other consumables and bought-in Deliverables;</li> <li>(ii) staff costs broken down into the number and grade/role of all Supplier Staff (free of any contingency) together with a list of agreed rates against each grade;</li> <li>(iii) a list of Costs underpinning those rates for each grade, being the agreed rate less the Supplier Profit Margin; and</li> <li>(iv) Reimbursable Expenses, if allowed under the Order Form;</li> </ul> </li> <li>(c) Overheads;</li> <li>(d) all interest, expenses and any other third party financing costs incurred in relation to the provision of the Deliverables;</li> <li>(e) the Supplier Profit achieved over the Framework Contract Period and on an annual basis;</li> <li>(f) 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;</li> <li>(g) an explanation of the type and value of risk and contingencies associated with the provision of the Deliverables, including the amount of money attributed to each risk and/or contingency; and</li> <li>(h) the actual Costs profile for each Service Period;</li> </ul>
<b>Option</b>	the selection of an option by the Buyer which is incorporated into the Call-Off Contract and, if applicable, any Statement of Work, which the Supplier must comply with;
<b>Optional Extension Period</b>	is the Buyer's maximum optional extension period to the Call-Off Initial Period as set out in the Order Form;
<b>Order</b>	an order for the provision of the Deliverables placed by a Buyer with the Supplier under a Contract;
<b>Order Form</b>	a completed Order Form Template (or equivalent information issued by the Buyer) used to create a Call-Off Contract;
<b>Order Form Template</b>	the template in Framework Schedule 6 (Order Form Template, SOW Template and Call-Off Schedules);
<b>Other Contracting Authority</b>	any actual or potential Buyer under the Framework Contract;
<b>Overhead</b>	those amounts which are intended to recover a proportion of the Supplier's or the Key Subcontractor's (as the context requires) indirect corporate costs (including financing, marketing, advertising, research and development and insurance costs and any fines or penalties) but excluding allowable indirect costs apportioned to facilities and administration in

	the provision of Supplier Staff and accordingly included within limb (a) of the definition of "Costs";
<b>Parliament</b>	takes its natural meaning as interpreted by Law;
<b>Party</b>	in the context of the Framework Contract, CCS or the Supplier, and in the in the context of a Call-Off Contract the Buyer or the Supplier. " <b>Parties</b> " shall mean both of them where the context permits;
<b>Performance Indicators or PIs</b>	the performance measurements and targets in respect of the Supplier's performance of the Framework Contract set out in Framework Schedule 4 (Framework Management);
<b>Personal Data</b>	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR;
<b>Personal Data Breach</b>	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR;
<b>Personnel</b>	all directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and suppliers of the Relevant Authority and/or of any subcontractor and/or Subprocessor (as detailed in Joint Schedule 11 (Processing Data)) engaged in the performance of its obligations under a Contract;
<b>Platform</b>	the platform, site or system operated on behalf of CCS which requires a potential Buyer to complete the Buyer Registration Procedure and specify its Authorised Users who may access and use the platform, site or system on behalf of the Buyer and use it to assist in selecting or shortlisting suppliers when undertaking a Call-Off Procedure in accordance with Framework Schedule 7, to Order Deliverables under a Contract;
<b>Prescribed Person</b>	a legal adviser, an MP or an appropriate body which a whistle-blower may make a disclosure to as detailed in 'Whistleblowing: list of prescribed people and bodies', 24 November 2016, available online at: <b>[REDACTED]</b>
<b>Pricing Mechanism</b>	the pricing mechanisms are (a) Capped Time and Materials, (b) Incremental Fixed Prices, (c) Time and Materials, (d) Fixed Price, and (e) a combination of two or more of these as set out in Framework Schedule 3 (Framework Prices) and Framework Schedule 7 (Call-Off Award Procedure) and as may be refined in the Further Competition Procedure;
<b>Processing</b>	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR;
<b>Processor</b>	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR;
<b>Progress Meeting</b>	a meeting between the Buyer Authorised Representative and the Supplier Authorised Representative;
<b>Progress Meeting Frequency</b>	the frequency at which the Supplier shall conduct a Progress Meeting in accordance with Clause 6.1 as specified in the Order Form;
<b>Progress Report</b>	a report provided by the Supplier indicating the steps taken to achieve Milestones or delivery dates;
<b>Progress Report Frequency</b>	the frequency at which the Supplier shall deliver Progress Reports in accordance with Clause 6.1 as specified in the Order Form;
<b>Prohibited Acts</b>	(a) to directly or indirectly offer, promise or give any person working for or engaged by a Buyer or any other public body a financial or other advantage to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) induce that person to perform improperly a relevant function or activity; or</li> <li>(ii) reward that person for improper performance of a relevant function or activity;</li> </ul> (b) to directly or indirectly request, agree to receive or accept any financial or other advantage as an inducement or a reward for

	<p>improper performance of a relevant function or activity in connection with each Contract; or</p> <p>(c) committing any offence:</p> <p>(i) under the Bribery Act 2010 (or any legislation repealed or revoked by such Act); or</p> <p>(ii) under legislation or common law concerning fraudulent acts; or</p> <p>(iii) defrauding, attempting to defraud or conspiring to defraud a Buyer or other public body; or</p> <p>(d) any activity, practice or conduct which would constitute one of the offences listed under (c) above if such activity, practice or conduct had been carried out in the UK;</p>
<b>Protective Measures</b>	appropriate technical and organisational measures which may include: pseudonymising and encrypting Personal Data, ensuring confidentiality, integrity, availability and resilience of systems and services, ensuring that availability of and access to Personal Data can be restored in a timely manner after an incident, and regularly assessing and evaluating the effectiveness of the such measures adopted by it including those outlined in Framework Schedule 9 (Cyber Essentials Scheme), if applicable, in the case of the Framework Contract or Call-Off Schedule 9 (Security), if applicable, in the case of a Call-Off Contract;
<b>Recall</b>	a request by the Supplier to return Goods to the Supplier or the manufacturer after the discovery of safety issues or defects (including defects in the right IPR rights) that might endanger health or hinder performance;
<b>Recipient Party</b>	the Party which receives or obtains directly or indirectly Confidential Information;
<b>Rectification Plan</b>	<p>the Supplier's plan (or revised plan) to rectify it's breach using the template in Joint Schedule 10 (Rectification Plan) which shall include:</p> <p>(a) full details of the Default that has occurred, including a root cause analysis;</p> <p>(b) the actual or anticipated effect of the Default; and</p> <p>(c) the steps which the Supplier proposes to take to rectify the Default (if applicable) and to prevent such Default from recurring, including timescales for such steps and for the rectification of the Default (where applicable);</p>
<b>Rectification Plan Process</b>	the process set out in Clause 10.3.1 to 10.3.4 (Rectification Plan Process);
<b>Regulations</b>	the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and/or the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 (as the context requires);
<b>Reimbursable Expenses</b>	<p>the reasonable out of pocket travel and subsistence (for example, hotel and food) expenses, properly and necessarily incurred in the performance of the Services, calculated at the rates and in accordance with the Buyer's Expenses Policy current from time to time, but not including:</p> <p>(a) travel expenses incurred as a result of Supplier Staff travelling to and from their usual place of work, or to and from the premises at which the Services are principally to be performed, unless the Buyer otherwise agrees in advance in writing; and</p> <p>(b) subsistence expenses incurred by Supplier Staff whilst performing the Services at their usual place of work, or to and from the premises at which the Services are principally to be performed;</p>

<b>Relevant Authority</b>	the Authority which is party to the Contract to which a right or obligation is owed, as the context requires;
<b>Relevant Authority's Confidential Information</b>	(a) all Personal Data and any information, however it is conveyed, that relates to the business, affairs, developments, property rights, trade secrets, Know-How and IPR of the Relevant Authority (including all Relevant Authority Existing IPR and New IPR);  (b) any other information clearly designated as being confidential (whether or not it is marked "confidential") or which ought reasonably be considered confidential which comes (or has come) to the Relevant Authority's attention or into the Relevant Authority's possession in connection with a Contract; and  (c) information derived from any of the above;
<b>Relevant Requirements</b>	all applicable Law relating to bribery, corruption and fraud, including the Bribery Act 2010 and any guidance issued by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 9 of the Bribery Act 2010;
<b>Relevant Tax Authority</b>	HMRC, or, if applicable, the tax authority in the jurisdiction in which the Supplier is established;
<b>Reminder Notice</b>	a notice sent in accordance with Clause 10.5 given by the Supplier to the Buyer providing notification that payment has not been received on time;
<b>Replacement Deliverables</b>	any deliverables which are substantially similar to any of the Deliverables and which the Buyer receives in substitution for any of the Deliverables following the Call-Off Expiry Date, whether those goods are provided by the Buyer internally and/or by any third party;
<b>Replacement Subcontractor</b>	a Subcontractor of the Replacement Supplier to whom Transferring Supplier Employees will transfer on a Service Transfer Date (or any Subcontractor of any such Subcontractor);
<b>Replacement Supplier</b>	any third party provider of Replacement Deliverables appointed by or at the direction of the Buyer from time to time or where the Buyer is providing Replacement Deliverables for its own account, shall also include the Buyer;
<b>Request For Information</b>	a request for information or an apparent request relating to a Contract for the provision of the Deliverables or an apparent request for such information under the FOIA or the EIRs;
<b>Required Insurances</b>	the insurances required by Joint Schedule 3 (Insurance Requirements) or any additional insurances specified in the Order Form;
<b>Restricted Staff</b>	any person employed or engaged by either Party, in the capacity of director or in any research, technical, IT, security, engineering, procurement, financial, legal or managerial role who has been engaged in the provision of the Deliverables or management of the Contract either as principal, agent, employee, independent contractor or in any other form of employment or engagement over the previous 12 months, directly worked with or had any material dealings, but shall not include any person employed or engaged in an administrative, clerical, manual or secretarial capacity;
<b>Retained EU Law</b>	the category of UK Law created under Section 2 to 4 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 at the end of the transition period following the repeal of the savings to the European Communities Act 1972;
<b>Request for Information or RFI Tool</b>	the functional tool within the Platform (or as otherwise described in Framework Schedule 7 (Call-Off Award Procedure) to be used by Buyers to seek clarification or additional information from one or more suppliers that will assist the Buyer in preparing its Statement of Require-

	ment, planning and conducting its Call-Off Procedure, before undertaking a Call-Off Procedure in accordance with Framework Schedule 7 (Call-Off Award Procedure);
<b>Satisfaction Certificate</b>	the certificate (materially in the form of the document contained in of Part B of Call-Off Schedule 13 (Implementation Plan and Testing) or as agreed by the Parties where Call-Off Schedule 13 is not used in this Contract) granted by the Buyer when the Supplier has met all of the requirements of an Order, Achieved a Milestone or a Test;
<b>Security Management Plan</b>	the Supplier's security management plan prepared pursuant to Call-Off Schedule 9 (Security) (if applicable);
<b>Security Policy</b>	the Buyer's security policy, referred to in the Order Form, in force as at the Call-Off Start Date (a copy of which has been supplied to the Supplier), as updated from time to time and notified to the Supplier;
<b>Self Audit Certificate</b>	means the certificate in the form as set out in Framework Schedule 8 (Self Audit Certificate);
<b>Serious Fraud Office</b>	the UK Government body named as such as may be renamed or replaced by an equivalent body from time to time;
<b>Service Capability</b>	the Service capabilities of the Supplier as set out in Framework Schedule 1 (Specification);
<b>Service Levels</b>	any service levels applicable to the provision of the Deliverables under the Call Off Contract (which, where Call Off Schedule 14 (Service Levels and Balanced Scorecard) is used in this Contract, are specified in the Annex to Part A of such Schedule);
<b>Service Period</b>	has the meaning given to it in the Order Form;
<b>Services</b>	services made available by the Supplier as specified in Framework Schedule 1 (Specification) and in relation to a Call-Off Contract as specified in the Order Form;
<b>Service Provision</b>	one or more service provisions set out in Paragraph 1.1 of Framework Schedule 1 (Specification);
<b>Service Transfer</b>	any transfer of the Deliverables (or any part of the Deliverables), for whatever reason, from the Supplier or any Subcontractor to a Replacement Supplier or a Replacement Subcontractor;
<b>Service Transfer Date</b>	the date of a Service Transfer;
<b>Sites</b>	any premises (including the Buyer Premises, the Supplier's premises or third party premises) from, to or at which: (a) the Deliverables are (or are to be) provided; or (b) the Supplier manages, organises or otherwise directs the provision or the use of the Deliverables;
<b>SME</b>	an enterprise falling within the category of micro, small and medium sized enterprises defined by the Commission Recommendation of 6 May 2003 concerning the definition of micro, small and medium enterprises;
<b>SOW End Date</b>	the date up to and including this date when the supply of the Deliverables under the Statement of Work shall cease;
<b>SOW Start Date</b>	the date of the start of the Statement of Works as stated in the SOW;
<b>Special Terms</b>	any additional Clauses set out in the Framework Award Form or Order Form which shall form part of the respective Contract;

<b>Specific Change in Law</b>	a Change in Law that relates specifically to the business of the Buyer and which would not affect a Comparable Supply where the effect of that Specific Change in Law on the Deliverables is not reasonably foreseeable at the Start Date;
<b>Specification</b>	the specification set out in Framework Schedule 1 (Specification), as may, in relation to a Call-Off Contract, be supplemented by the Order Form;
<b>Standards</b>	any: (a) standards published by BSI British Standards, the National Standards Body of the United Kingdom, the International Organisation for Standardisation or other reputable or equivalent bodies (and their successor bodies) that a skilled and experienced operator in the same type of industry or business sector as the Supplier would reasonably and ordinarily be expected to comply with; (b) standards detailed in the specification in Schedule 1 (Specification); (c) standards detailed by the Buyer in the Order Form or agreed between the Parties from time to time; (d) relevant Government codes of practice and guidance applicable from time to time;
<b>Start Date</b>	in the case of the Framework Contract, the date specified on the Framework Award Form, and in the case of a Call-Off Contract, the date specified in the Order Form, and in the case of a Statement of Work, the date specified in that Statement of Work;
<b>Statement of Requirements</b>	a statement issued by the Buyer detailing its requirements and expected outcomes in respect of Deliverables issued in accordance with the Call-Off Procedure;
<b>Statement of Work or (SOW)</b>	the document which, upon its execution by the Buyer and Supplier, shall become incorporated into their Call-Off Contract and outlines the agreed body of works to be undertaken as part of the Call-Off Contract Deliverables. There may be any number of Statements of Work incorporated into a Call-Off Contract and each Statement of Work may include (but is not limited to) the Statement of Requirements, identified output(s), completion date(s) and charging method(s);
<b>Status Determination Statement or (SDS)</b>	a statement that describes the determination reached by the Buyer/client on the employment status (i.e. IR35 status) of an Off-Payroll Worker for a particular Call-Off Contract or any element of work undertaken as part of any SOW, and the reasons for reaching that determination. The SDS must be passed to the worker and the person or organisation the client contracts with for the worker's services;
<b>Storage Media</b>	the part of any device that is capable of storing and retrieving data;
<b>Sub-Contract</b>	any contract or agreement (or proposed contract or agreement), other than a Call-Off Contract or the Framework Contract, pursuant to which a third party: (a) provides the Deliverables (or any part of them); (b) provides facilities or services necessary for the provision of the Deliverables (or any part of them); and/or (c) is responsible for the management, direction or control of the provision of the Deliverables (or any part of them);
<b>Subcontractor</b>	any person other than the Supplier, who is a party to a Sub-Contract and the servants or agents of that person;



<b>Subprocessor</b>	any third Party appointed to process Personal Data on behalf of that Processor related to a Contract;
<b>Summary of Work</b>	a short description or overview of the Buyer's Statement of Requirements;
<b>Supplier</b>	the person, firm or company identified in the Framework Award Form;
<b>Supplier Assets</b>	all assets and rights used by the Supplier to provide the Deliverables in accordance with the Call-Off Contract but excluding the Buyer Assets;
<b>Supplier Authorised Representative</b>	the representative appointed by the Supplier named in the Framework Award Form, or later defined in a Call-Off Contract;
<b>Supplier Compliance Officer</b>	the person(s) appointed by the Supplier who is responsible for ensuring that the Supplier complies with its legal obligation;
<b>Supplier's Confidential Information</b>	<p>(a) any information, however it is conveyed, that relates to the business, affairs, developments, IPR of the Supplier (including the Supplier Existing IPR) trade secrets, Know-How, and/or personnel of the Supplier;</p> <p>(b) any other information clearly designated as being confidential (whether or not it is marked as "confidential") or which ought reasonably to be considered to be confidential and which comes (or has come) to the Supplier's attention or into the Supplier's possession in connection with a Contract;</p> <p>(c) Information derived from any of (a) and (b) above;</p>
<b>Supplier's Contract Manager</b>	the person identified in the Order Form appointed by the Supplier to oversee the operation of the Call-Off Contract and any alternative person whom the Supplier intends to appoint to the role, provided that the Supplier informs the Buyer prior to the appointment;
<b>Supplier Equipment</b>	the Supplier's hardware, computer and telecoms devices, equipment, plant, materials and such other items supplied and used by the Supplier (but not hired, leased or loaned from the Buyer) in the performance of its obligations under this Call-Off Contract;
<b>Supplier Marketing Contact</b>	shall be the person identified in the Framework Award Form;
<b>Supplier Non-Performance</b>	<p>where the Supplier has failed to:</p> <p>(a) Achieve a Milestone by its Milestone Date;</p> <p>(b) provide the Goods and/or Services in accordance with the Service Levels; and/or</p> <p>(c) comply with an obligation under a Contract;</p>
<b>Supplier Profit</b>	in relation to a period, the difference between the total Charges (in nominal cash flow terms but excluding any Deductions and total Costs (in nominal cash flow terms) in respect of a Call-Off Contract for the relevant period;
<b>Supplier Profit Margin</b>	in relation to a period or a Milestone (as the context requires), the Supplier Profit for the relevant period or in relation to the relevant Milestone divided by the total Charges over the same period or in relation to the relevant Milestone and expressed as a percentage;
<b>Supplier Staff</b>	all directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and contractors of the Supplier and/or of any Subcontractor engaged in the performance of the Supplier's obligations under a Contract;
<b>Supporting Documentation</b>	sufficient information in writing to enable the Buyer to reasonably assess whether the Charges, Reimbursable Expenses and other sums due from the Buyer under the Call-Off Contract detailed in the information are properly payable;

<b>Tax</b>	<p>(a) all forms of taxation whether direct or indirect;</p> <p>(b) national insurance contributions in the United Kingdom and similar contributions or obligations in any other jurisdiction;</p> <p>(c) all statutory, governmental, state, federal, provincial, local government or municipal charges, duties, imports, contributions, levies or liabilities (other than in return for goods or services supplied or performed or to be performed) and withholdings; and</p> <p>(d) any penalty, fine, surcharge, interest, charges or costs relating to any of the above,</p> <p>in each case wherever chargeable and whether of the United Kingdom and any other jurisdiction;</p>
<b>Termination Notice</b>	a written notice of termination given by one Party to the other, notifying the Party receiving the notice of the intention of the Party giving the notice to terminate a Contract on a specified date and setting out the grounds for termination;
<b>Test Issue</b>	any variance or non-conformity of the Deliverables from their requirements as set out in a Call-Off Contract;
<b>Test Plan</b>	<p>a plan:</p> <p>(a) for the Testing of the Deliverables; and</p> <p>(b) setting out other agreed criteria related to the achievement of Milestones;</p>
<b>Tests</b>	any tests required to be carried out pursuant to a Call-Off Contract as set out in the Test Plan or elsewhere in a Call-Off Contract and <b>"Tested"</b> and <b>"Testing"</b> shall be construed accordingly;
<b>Third Party IPR</b>	Intellectual Property Rights owned by a third party which is or will be used by the Supplier for the purpose of providing the Deliverables;
<b>Time and Materials</b>	a Pricing Mechanism whereby the Buyer agrees to pay the Supplier for the work performed by the Supplier Staff and for the material used in the project, no matter how much work is required to complete the project, based on no more than the pro rata division of the Day Rates by 7.5 to provide an Hourly Rate for the Supplier Staff who undertook the work and for the materials used in the project based on pre-agreed material disclosures and subject to time approval by the Buyer;
<b>Transferring Supplier Employees</b>	those employees of the Supplier and/or the Supplier's Subcontractors to whom the Employment Regulations will apply on the Service Transfer Date;
<b>Transparency Information</b>	<p>the Transparency Reports and the content of a Contract, including any changes to this Contract agreed from time to time, except for:</p> <p>(i) any information which is exempt from disclosure in accordance with the provisions of the FOIA, which shall be determined by the Relevant Authority; and</p> <p>(ii) Commercially Sensitive Information;</p>
<b>Transparency Reports</b>	the information relating to the Deliverables and performance of the Contracts which the Supplier is required to provide to the Buyer in accordance with the reporting requirements in Call-Off Schedule 1 (Transparency Reports);
<b>UK GDPR</b>	the retained EU law version of the General Data Protection Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2016/679);
<b>User Terms</b>	the terms of use applicable to all Buyer's Authorised Users who access and use the Platform which are available at: <b>[Insert link]</b> ;

<b>Variation</b>	any change to a Contract;
<b>Variation Form</b>	the form set out in Joint Schedule 2 (Variation Form);
<b>Variation Procedure</b>	the procedure set out in Clause 24 (Changing the contract);
<b>VAT</b>	value added tax in accordance with the provisions of the Value Added Tax Act 1994;
<b>VCSE</b>	a non-governmental organisation that is value-driven and which principally reinvests its surpluses to further social, environmental or cultural objectives;
<b>Worker</b>	any one of the Supplier Staff which the Buyer, in its reasonable opinion, considers is an individual to which Procurement Policy Note 08/15 (Tax Arrangements of Public Appointees) ( <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-policy-note-0815-tax-arrangements-of-appointees">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-policy-note-0815-tax-arrangements-of-appointees</a> ) applies in respect of the Deliverables;
<b>Worker Engagement Route</b>	the details of the labour supply chain through which the worker is engaged as Supplier Staff. For example, the worker could be: (a) employed by the Supplier the Buyer contracts with, (b) employed by another organisation within the supply chain, e.g. an agency or umbrella company, (c) an off-payroll worker engaged via an intermediary e.g. the worker's own personal service company, or (d) an independent sole trader;
<b>Working Day</b>	any day other than a Saturday or Sunday or public holiday in England and Wales unless specified otherwise by the Parties in the Order Form;
<b>Work Day</b>	a minimum of 7.5 Work Hours, whether or not such hours are worked consecutively and whether or not they are worked on the same day; and
<b>Work Hours</b>	the hours spent by the Supplier Staff properly working on the provision of the Deliverables including time spent travelling (other than to and from the Supplier's offices, or to and from the Sites) but excluding lunch breaks.

## **Joint Schedule 2 (Variation Form)**

**[REDACTED]**

## **Annex 1**

**[REDACTED]**

## **Joint Schedule 3 (Insurance Requirements)**

**[REDACTED]**

### **Annex: Required insurances**

- 1 The Supplier shall hold the following insurance cover from the Framework Start Date in accordance with this Schedule:
  - 1.1 professional indemnity insurance with cover (for a single event or a series of related events and in the aggregate) of not less than five million pounds (£5,000,000);
  - 1.2 public liability and products insurance with cover (for a single event or a series of related events and in the aggregate) of not less than five million pounds (£5,000,000);  
and  
employers' liability insurance with cover (for a single event or a series of related events and in the aggregate) of not less than five million

## **Joint Schedule 4 (Commercially Sensitive Information)**

**[REDACTED]**



## **Joint Schedule 5 (Corporate Social Responsibility) RM1043.8**

**[REDACTED]**

## **Joint Schedule 6 (Key Subcontractors)**

### **1 Restrictions on certain subcontractors**

- 1.1 The Supplier is entitled, unless the Buyer states to the contrary, to sub-contract its obligations under each Call-Off Contract to the Key Subcontractors set out in the Call-Off Order Form.
- 1.2 Subject to Paragraph 1.1, the Supplier is entitled to sub-contract some of its obligations under a Call-Off Contract to Key Subcontractors who are specifically nominated in the Order Form.
- 1.3 Where during the Contract Period the Supplier wishes to enter into a new Key Sub-Contract or replace a Key Subcontractor, it must obtain the prior written consent of the Buyer and the Supplier shall, at the time of requesting such consent, provide the Buyer with the information detailed in Paragraph 1.4. The decision of the Buyer to consent or not will not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. Where the Buyer consents to the appointment of a new Key Subcontractor then they will be added to Key Subcontractor section of the Order Form. The Buyer may reasonably withhold their consent to the appointment of a Key Subcontractor if it considers that:
  - 1.3.1 the appointment of a proposed Key Subcontractor may prejudice the provision of the Deliverables or may be contrary to its interests;
  - 1.3.2 the proposed Key Subcontractor is unreliable and/or has not provided reliable goods and or reasonable services to its other customers; and/or
  - 1.3.3 the proposed Key Subcontractor employs unfit persons.
- 1.4 The Supplier shall provide CCS and the Buyer with the following information in respect of the proposed Key Subcontractor:
  - 1.4.1 the proposed Key Subcontractor's name, registered office and company registration number;
  - 1.4.2 the name and details of the directors, employees, agents, consultants and contractors of the subcontractor engaged in the performance of the Supplier's obligations under the Contract. Details should include: name; role; email address; address; contract details; Worker Engagement Route – for example, employed by subcontractor; engaged via worker's intermediary e.g. PSC (i.e. a personal service company), engaged as an independent sole trader or employed by another entity in supply chain;
  - 1.4.3 the scope/description of any Deliverables to be provided by the proposed Key Subcontractor;
  - 1.4.4 where the proposed Key Subcontractor is an Affiliate of the Supplier, evidence that demonstrates to the reasonable satisfaction of CCS and the Buyer that the proposed Key Sub-Contract has been agreed on "arm's length" terms;
  - 1.4.5 for the Buyer, the Key Sub-Contract price expressed as a percentage of the total projected Charges over the Call Off Contract Period; and
  - 1.4.6 (where applicable) the Credit Rating Threshold (as defined in Joint Schedule 7 (Financial Distress)) of the Key Subcontractor.
- 1.5 If requested by CCS and/or the Buyer, within 10 Working Days, the Supplier shall also provide:
  - 1.5.1 a copy of the proposed Key Sub-Contract; and
  - 1.5.2 any further information reasonably requested by CCS and/or the Buyer.

- 1.6 The Supplier shall ensure that each new or replacement Key Sub-Contract shall include:
  - 1.6.1 provisions which will enable the Supplier to discharge its obligations under the Contracts;
  - 1.6.2 a right under CRTPA for CCS and the Buyer to enforce any provisions under the Key Sub-Contract which confer a benefit upon CCS and the Buyer respectively;
  - 1.6.3 a provision enabling CCS and the Buyer to enforce the Key Sub-Contract as if it were the Supplier;
  - 1.6.4 a provision enabling the Supplier to assign, novate or otherwise transfer any of its rights and/or obligations under the Key Sub-Contract to CCS and/or the Buyer;
  - 1.6.5 obligations no less onerous on the Key Subcontractor than those imposed on the Supplier under the Framework Contract in respect of:
    - (a) the data protection requirements set out in Clause 14 (Data protection);
    - (b) the FOIA and other access request requirements set out in Clause 16 (When you can share information);
    - (c) the obligation not to embarrass CCS or the Buyer or otherwise bring CCS or the Buyer into disrepute;
    - (d) the keeping of records in respect of the goods and/or services being provided under the Key Sub-Contract, including the maintenance of Open Book Data; and
    - (e) the conduct of audits set out in Clause 6 (Record keeping and reporting);
  - 1.6.6 provisions enabling the Supplier to terminate the Key Sub-Contract on notice on terms no more onerous on the Supplier than those imposed on CCS and the Buyer under Clauses 10.4 (When CCS or the buyer can end this contract) and 10.5 (When the supplier can end the contract) of this Contract; and
  - 1.6.7 a provision restricting the ability of the Key Subcontractor to sub-contract all or any part of the provision of the Deliverables provided to the Supplier under the Key Sub-Contract without first seeking the written consent of CCS and the Buyer.

## **Joint Schedule 8 (Guarantee) NOT USED**

## **Joint Schedule 10 (Rectification Plan)**

[REDACTED]

## **Joint Schedule 11 (Processing Data) RM1043.8**

[REDACTED]

## **Annex 1: Processing Personal Data**

**[REDACTED]**

## **Annex 2: Joint Controller Agreement**

**[REDACTED]**

## **Joint Schedule 12 (Supply Chain Visibility)**

**[REDACTED]**