# **Award Form**

This Award Form creates the Contract. It summarises the main features of the procurement and includes the Buyer and the Supplier's contact details.

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	This Contract between the Buyer and the Supplier is for the supply of Deliverables.			
		s advertised in the Contract Notice in Find A Tender, <a href="http://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/005316-2023">www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/005316-2023</a> ?		
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oles	See Schedule 2 (Specification) for further details.			
use	omission, negliger servants, agents i	Any breach of the obligations of the Buyer or any other default, act, omission, negligence or statement of the Buyer, of its employees, servants, agents in connection with or in relation to the subject-matter of the Contract and in respect of which the Buyer is liable to the Supplier.		
ative s	The Collaborative Working Principles apply to this Contract. See Clause 3.1.3 for further details.			
ency	The Financial Tra Contract.	The Financial Transparency Objectives do apply to this Contract.		
Objectives		See Clause 6.3 for further details.		
es	30/09/2023	30/09/2023		
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10.	Expiry Date	30/09/2026		
11.	Extension Period	2 x 1 year optional		
12.	Ending the Contract without a reason	The Buyer shall be able to terminate the Contract in accordance with Clause 14.3.		
13.	a reason Incorporated Terms (together these documents form the "the Contract")	The following documents are incorporated into the Contract. Where numbers are missing we are not using these Schedules. If the documents conflict, the following order of precedence applies: a) This Award Form b) Any Special Terms (see Section 14 (Special Terms) in this Award Form) c) Core Terms d) Schedule 36 (Intellectual Property Rights) e) Schedule 36 (Intellectual Property Rights) e) Schedule 1 (Definitions) f) Schedule 6 (Transparency Reports) g) Schedule 20 (Processing Data) h) The following Schedules (in equal order of precedence): a. Schedule 2 (Specification) b. Schedule 3 (Charges) c. Schedule 4 (Tender) d. Schedule 5 (Commercially Sensitive Information) e. Schedule 8 (Implementation plan & testing) f. Schedule 10 (Service Levels) g. Schedule 11 (Continuous Improvement) h. Schedule 12 (Benchmarking) i. Schedule 13 (Contract Management) j. Schedule 16 (Security) k. Schedule 17 (Service Recipients) l. Schedule 18 (Supply Chain Visibility) m. Schedule 19 (Cyber Essentials Scheme)		
		<ul><li>n. Schedule 21 (Variation Form)</li><li>o. Schedule 22 (Insurance Requirements)</li><li>p. Schedule 23 (Guarantee)</li></ul>		
		q. Schedule 25 (Rectification Plan)		

		r. Schedule 26 (Sustainability)		
		s. Schedule 27 (Key Subcontractors)		
		i) Schedule 4 (Tender), unless any part of the Tender		
		offers a better commercial position for the Buyer (as decided by the Buyer, in its absolute discretion), in which case that aspect of the Tender will take precedence over the documents above.		
14.	Special Terms	n/a		
15.	Sustainability	The Supplier agrees, in providing the Deliverables and performing its obligations under the Contract, that it will comply with Schedule 26 (Sustainability).		
16.	Buyer's Environmental Policy	PPN 06/20, September 2020		
		Available online at:		
		https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-policy-note-		
		0620-taking-account-of-social-value-in-the-award-of-central- government-contracts		
17.	Social Value Commitment	The Supplier agrees, in providing the Deliverables and performing its obligations under the Contract, to deliver the Social Value outcomes in Schedule 4 (Tender) and report on the Social Value KPIs as required by Schedule 10 (Service Levels)		
18.	Buyer's Security Policy	Schedule 16 (Security)		
19.	Commercially Sensitive Information	Schedule 5 (Commercially Sensitive Information)		
20.	Charges	Details in Schedule 3 (Charges)		
21.	Reimbursable expenses	None		
22.	Payment method	BACS		
23.	Service Levels	Service Credits will accrue in accordance with Schedule 10 (Service Levels)		

24.	Insurance	Details in Annex of Schedule 22 (Insurance Requirements).
25.	Liability	In accordance with Clause 15.1 each Party's total aggregate liability in each Contract Year under the Contract (whether in tort, contract or otherwise) is no more than <b>150</b> % of the Estimated Yearly Charges] In accordance with Clause 15.5, the Supplier's total aggregate liability in each Contract Year under Clause 18.8.5 is no more than the Data Protection Liability.
26.	Cyber Essentials Certification	Cyber Essentials Scheme Basic Certificate (or equivalent). Details in Schedule 19 (Cyber Essentials Scheme).
27.	Progress Meetings and Progress Reports	<ul> <li>The Supplier shall attend Progress Meetings with the Buyer every - TBC</li> <li>The Supplier shall provide the Buyer with Progress Reports every – TBC</li> </ul>
28.	Guarantee	n/a
29.	Virtual Library	n/a
30.	Supplier Contract Manager	
31.	Supplier Authorised Representative	As above
32.	Supplier Compliance Officer	n/a
33.	Supplier Data Protection Officer	n/a

34.	Supplier Marketing Contact	n/a
35.	Key Subcontractors	n/a
36.	Buyer Authorised Representative	

For and on behalf of the Supplier:		For and on behalf of the Buyer:	
Signature:		Signature:	
Name:		Name:	
Role:		Role:	
Date:		Date:	

#### **CORE TERMS**

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**1.** Definitions used in the contract

Interpret this Contract using Schedule 1 (Definitions).

- 2. How the contract works
  - 2.1 If the Buyer decides to buy Deliverables under the Contract it must state its requirements using the Award Form. If allowed by the Regulations, the Buyer can:
    - 2.1.1 make changes to the Award Form;
    - 2.1.2 create new Schedules;
    - 2.1.3 exclude optional template Schedules; and
    - 2.1.4 use Special Terms in the Award Form to add or change terms.
  - 2.2 The Contract:
    - 2.2.1 is between the Supplier and the Buyer; and
    - 2.2.2 includes Core Terms, Schedules and any other changes or items in the completed Award Form.
  - 2.3 The Supplier acknowledges it has all the information required to perform its obligations under the Contract before entering into it. When information is provided by the Buyer no warranty of its accuracy is given to the Supplier.
  - 2.4 The Supplier acknowledges that, subject to the Allowable Assumptions set out in Annex 2 of Schedule 3 (Charges) (if any), it has satisfied itself of all details relating to:
    - 2.4.1 the Buyer's requirements for the Deliverables;
    - 2.4.2 the Buyer's operating processes and working methods; and
    - 2.4.3 the ownership and fitness for purpose of the Buyer Assets,

and it has it has advised the Buyer in writing of:

- 2.4.4 each aspect, if any, of the Buyer's requirements for the Deliverables, operating processes and working methods that is not suitable for the provision of the Services;
- 2.4.5 the actions needed to remedy each such unsuitable aspect; and
- 2.4.6 a timetable for and, to the extent that such costs are to be payable to the Supplier, the costs of those actions,

and such actions, timetable and costs are fully reflected in this Contract.

- 2.5 The Supplier won't be excused from any obligation, or be entitled to additional Costs or Charges because it failed to either:
  - 2.5.1 verify the accuracy of the Due Diligence Information; and
  - 2.5.2 properly perform its own adequate checks.
- 2.6 The Buyer will not be liable for errors, omissions or misrepresentation of any information.
- 2.7 The Supplier warrants and represents that all statements made and documents submitted as part of the procurement of Deliverables are and remain true and accurate.
- **3.** What needs to be delivered
  - 3.1 All deliverables
    - 3.1.1 The Supplier must provide Deliverables:
      - a) that comply with the Specification, the Tender Response and the Contract;
      - b) using reasonable skill and care;
      - c) using Good Industry Practice;
      - d) using its own policies, processes and internal quality control measures as long as they don't conflict with the Contract;
      - e) on the dates agreed; and
      - f) that comply with Law.
    - 3.1.2 The Supplier must provide Deliverables with a warranty of at least 90 days from Delivery against all obvious defects or for such other period as specified in the Award Form.
    - 3.1.3 Where the Award Form states that the Collaborative Working Principles will apply, the Supplier must co-operate and provide reasonable assistance to any Buyer Third Party notified to the Supplier by the Buyer from time to time and act at all times in accordance with the following principles:
      - a) proactively leading on, mitigating and contributing to the resolution of problems or issues irrespective of its contractual obligations, acting in accordance with the principle of "fix first, settle later";
      - b) being open, transparent and responsive in sharing relevant and accurate information with Buyer Third Parties;
      - c) where reasonable, adopting common working practices, terminology, standards and technology and a collaborative approach to service development and resourcing with Buyer Third Parties;

- providing reasonable cooperation, support, information and assistance to Buyer Third Parties in a proactive, transparent and open way and in a spirit of trust and mutual confidence; and
- e) identifying, implementing and capitalising on opportunities to improve deliverables and deliver better solutions and performance throughout the relationship lifecycle.
- 3.2 Goods clauses
  - 3.2.1 All Goods delivered must be new, or as new if recycled, unused and of recent origin.
  - 3.2.2 All manufacturer warranties covering the Goods must be assignable to the Buyer on request and for free.
  - 3.2.3 The Supplier transfers ownership of the Goods on Delivery or payment for those Goods, whichever is earlier.
  - 3.2.4 Risk in the Goods transfers to the Buyer on Delivery of the Goods, but remains with the Supplier if the Buyer notices damage following Delivery and lets the Supplier know within 3 Working Days of Delivery.
  - 3.2.5 The Supplier warrants that it has full and unrestricted ownership of the Goods at the time of transfer of ownership.
  - 3.2.6 The Supplier must deliver the Goods on the date and to the specified location during the Buyer's working hours.
  - 3.2.7 The Supplier must provide sufficient packaging for the Goods to reach the point of Delivery safely and undamaged.
  - 3.2.8 All deliveries must have a delivery note attached that specifies the order number, type and quantity of Goods.
  - 3.2.9 The Supplier must provide all tools, information and instructions the Buyer needs to make use of the Goods.
  - 3.2.10 The Supplier must indemnify the Buyer against the costs of any Recall of the Goods and give notice of actual or anticipated action about the Recall of the Goods.
  - 3.2.11 The Buyer can cancel any order or part order of Goods which has not been Delivered. If the Buyer gives less than 14 days' notice then it will pay the Supplier's reasonable and proven costs already incurred on the cancelled order as long as the Supplier uses all reasonable endeavours to minimise these costs.
  - 3.2.12 The Supplier must at its own cost repair, replace, refund or substitute (at the Buyer's option and request) any Goods that the Buyer rejects because they don't conform with Clause 3. If the Supplier doesn't do this it will pay the Buyer's costs including repair or re-supply by a third party.

- 3.3 Services clauses
  - 3.3.1 Late Delivery of the Services will be a Default of the Contract.
  - 3.3.2 The Supplier must co-operate with the Buyer and third party suppliers on all aspects connected with the Delivery of the Services and ensure that Supplier Staff comply with any reasonable instructions of the Buyer or third party suppliers.
  - 3.3.3 The Supplier must at its own risk and expense provide all Supplier Equipment required to Deliver the Services.
  - 3.3.4 The Supplier must allocate sufficient resources and appropriate expertise to the Contract.
  - 3.3.5 The Supplier must take all reasonable care to ensure performance does not disrupt the Buyer's operations, employees or other contractors.
  - 3.3.6 The Supplier must ensure all Services, and anything used to Deliver the Services, are of good quality and free from defects.
  - 3.3.7 The Buyer is entitled to withhold payment for partially or undelivered Services, but doing so does not stop it from using its other rights under the Contract.
- 4. Pricing and payments
  - 4.1 In exchange for the Deliverables, the Supplier must invoice the Buyer for the Charges in the Award Form.
  - 4.2 All Charges:
    - 4.2.1 exclude VAT, which is payable on provision of a valid VAT invoice; and
    - 4.2.2 include all costs connected with the Supply of Deliverables.
  - 4.3 The Buyer must pay the Supplier the Charges within 30 days of receipt by the Buyer of a valid, undisputed invoice, in cleared funds using the payment method and details stated in the Award Form.
  - 4.4 A Supplier invoice is only valid if it:
    - 4.4.1 includes all appropriate references including the Contract reference number and other details reasonably requested by the Buyer; and
    - 4.4.2 includes a detailed breakdown of Delivered Deliverables and Milestone(s) (if any).
  - 4.5 The Buyer may retain or set-off payment of any amount owed to it by the Supplier under this Contract or any other agreement between the Supplier and the Buyer if notice and reasons are provided.
  - 4.6 The Supplier must ensure that all Subcontractors are paid, in full, within 30 days of receipt of a valid, undisputed invoice. If this does not happen, the Buyer can publish the details of the late payment or non-payment.

- 4.7 The Supplier has no right of set-off, counterclaim, discount or abatement unless they're ordered to do so by a court.
- 5. The buyer's obligations to the supplier
  - 5.1 If Supplier Non-Performance arises from a Buyer Cause:
    - 5.1.1 the Buyer cannot terminate the Contract under Clause 14.4.1;
    - 5.1.2 the Supplier is entitled to reasonable and proven additional expenses and to relief from Delay Payments, liability and Deduction under this Contract;
    - 5.1.3 the Supplier is entitled to additional time needed to make the Delivery;
    - 5.1.4 the Supplier cannot suspend the ongoing supply of Deliverables
- 6. Record keeping and reporting
  - 6.1 The Supplier must attend Progress Meetings with the Buyer and provide Progress Reports when specified in the Award Form.
  - 6.2 The Supplier must keep and maintain full and accurate records and accounts in respect of the Contract during the Contract Period and for 7 years after the End Date and in accordance with the UK GDPR or the EU GDPR as the context requires, including the records and accounts which the Buyer has a right to Audit.
  - 6.3 Where the Award Form states that the Financial Transparency Objectives apply, the Supplier must co-operate with the Buyer to achieve the Financial Transparency Objectives and, to this end, will provide a Financial Report to the Buyer:
    - 6.3.1 on or before the Start Date;
    - 6.3.2 at the end of each Contract Year; and
    - 6.3.3 within 6 Months of the end of the Contract Period,

and the Supplier must meet with the Buyer if requested within 10 Working Days of the Buyer receiving a Financial Report.

- 6.4 If the Supplier becomes aware of an event that has occurred or is likely to occur in the future which will have a material effect on the:
  - 6.4.1 Supplier's currently incurred or forecast future Costs; and
  - 6.4.2 forecast Charges for the remainder of the Contract,

then the Supplier must notify the Buyer in writing as soon as practicable setting out the actual or anticipated effect of the event.

- 6.5 The Supplier must allow any Auditor access to their premises and the Buyer will use reasonable endeavours to ensure that any Auditor:
  - 6.5.1 complies with the Supplier's operating procedures; and
  - 6.5.2 does not unreasonably disrupt the Supplier or its provision of the Deliverables.
- 6.6 During an Audit, the Supplier must provide information to the Auditor and reasonable co-operation at their request including access to:
  - 6.6.1 all information within the permitted scope of the Audit;
  - 6.6.2 any Sites, equipment and the Supplier's ICT system used in the performance of the Contract; and
  - 6.6.3 the Supplier Staff.
- 6.7 The Parties will bear their own costs when an Audit is undertaken unless the Audit identifies a material Default by the Supplier, in which case the Supplier will repay the Buyer's reasonable costs in connection with the Audit.
- 6.8 The Supplier must comply with the Buyer's reasonable instructions following an Audit, including:
  - 6.8.1 correcting any identified Default;
  - 6.8.2 rectifying any error identified in a Financial Report; and
  - 6.8.3 repaying any Charges that the Buyer has overpaid.
- 6.9 If the Supplier is not providing any of the Deliverables, or is unable to provide them, it must immediately:
  - 6.9.1 tell the Buyer and give reasons;
  - 6.9.2 propose corrective action; and
  - 6.9.3 provide a deadline for completing the corrective action.
- 6.10 Except where an Audit is imposed on the Buyer by a regulatory body or where the Buyer has reasonable grounds for believing that the Supplier has not complied with its obligations under this Contract, the Buyer may not conduct an Audit of the Supplier or of the same Key Subcontractor more than twice in any Contract Year.
- 7. Supplier staff
  - 7.1 The Supplier Staff involved in the performance of the Contract must:
    - 7.1.1 be appropriately trained and qualified;
    - 7.1.2 be vetted using Good Industry Practice and the Security Policy; and

- 7.1.3 comply with all conduct requirements when on the Buyer's Premises.
- 7.2 Where the Buyer decides one of the Supplier's Staff is not suitable to work on the Contract, the Supplier must replace them with a suitably qualified alternative.
- 7.3 If requested, the Supplier must replace any person whose acts or omissions have caused the Supplier to breach Clauses 31.1 to 31.4.
- 7.4 The Supplier must provide a list of Supplier Staff needing to access the Buyer's Premises and say why access is required.
- 7.5 The Supplier indemnifies the Buyer against all claims brought by any person employed by the Supplier caused by an act or omission of the Supplier or any Supplier Staff.
- 8. Supply chain
  - 8.1 Appointing Subcontractors
    - 8.1.1 The Supplier must exercise due skill and care when it selects and appoints Subcontractors to ensure that the Supplier is able to:
      - a) manage Subcontractors in accordance with Good Industry Practice;
      - b) comply with its obligations under this Contract; and
      - assign, novate or transfer its rights and/or obligations under the Sub-Contract that relate exclusively to this Contract to the Buyer or a Replacement Supplier.
  - 8.2 Mandatory provisions in Sub-Contracts
    - 8.2.1 The Supplier will ensure that all Sub-Contracts in the Supplier's supply chain entered into after the Effective Date wholly or substantially for the purpose of performing or contributing to the performance of the whole or any part of this Contract contain provisions that:
      - a) allow the Supplier to terminate the Sub-Contract if the Subcontractor fails to comply with its obligations in respect of environmental, social, equality or employment Law;
      - b) require the Supplier to pay all Subcontractors in full, within 30 days of receiving a valid, undisputed invoice; and
      - c) allow the Buyer to publish the details of the late payment or non-payment if this 30-day limit is exceeded.
    - 8.2.2 The Supplier will take reasonable endeavours to ensure that all Sub-Contracts in the Supplier's supply chain entered into before the Effective Date but made wholly or substantially for the purpose

of performing or contributing to the performance of the whole or any part of this Contract contain provisions that:

- a) allow the Supplier to terminate the Sub-Contract if the Subcontractor fails to comply with its obligations in respect of environmental, social, equality or employment Law;
- b) require the Supplier to pay all Subcontractors in full, within 30 days of receiving a valid, undisputed invoice; and
- c) allow the Buyer to publish the details of the late payment or non-payment if this 30-day limit is exceeded.
- 8.3 When Sub-Contracts can be ended
  - 8.3.1 At the Buyer's request, the Supplier must terminate any Sub-Contracts in any of the following events:
    - a) there is a Change of Control of a Subcontractor which isn't pre-approved by the Buyer in writing;
    - b) the acts or omissions of the Subcontractor have caused or materially contributed to a right of termination under Clause 14.4;
    - c) a Subcontractor or its Affiliates embarrasses or brings into disrepute or diminishes the public trust in the Buyer;
    - the Subcontractor fails to comply with its obligations in respect of environmental, social, equality or employment Law; and/or
    - e) the Buyer has found grounds to exclude the Subcontractor in accordance with Regulation 57 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.
- 8.4 Competitive terms
  - 8.4.1 If the Buyer can get more favourable commercial terms for the supply at cost of any materials, goods or services used by the Supplier to provide the Deliverables and that cost is reimbursable by the Buyer, then the Buyer may require the Supplier to replace its existing commercial terms with the more favourable terms offered for the relevant items.
- 8.5 Ongoing responsibility of the Supplier
  - 8.5.1 The Supplier is responsible for all acts and omissions of its Subcontractors and those employed or engaged by them as if they were its own.
- 9. Rights and protection
  - 9.1 The Supplier warrants and represents that:
    - 9.1.1 it has full capacity and authority to enter into and to perform the Contract;
    - 9.1.2 the Contract is executed by its authorised representative;

- 9.1.3 it is a legally valid and existing organisation incorporated in the place it was formed;
- 9.1.4 there are no known legal or regulatory actions or investigations before any court, administrative body or arbitration tribunal pending or threatened against it or its Affiliates that might affect its ability to perform the Contract;
- 9.1.5 all necessary rights, authorisations, licences and consents (including in relation to IPRs) are in place to enable the Supplier to perform its obligations under the Contract and for the Buyer to receive the Deliverables;
- 9.1.6 it doesn't have any contractual obligations which are likely to have a material adverse effect on its ability to perform the Contract;
- 9.1.7 it is not impacted by an Insolvency Event or a Financial Distress Event; and
- 9.1.8 neither it nor, to the best of its knowledge the Supplier Staff, have committed a Prohibited Act prior to the Start Date or been subject to an investigation relating to a Prohibited Act.
- 9.2 The warranties and representations in Clauses 2.7 and 9.1 are repeated each time the Supplier provides Deliverables under the Contract.
- 9.3 The Supplier indemnifies the Buyer against each of the following:
  - 9.3.1 wilful misconduct of the Supplier, Subcontractor and Supplier Staff that impacts the Contract; and
  - 9.3.2 non-payment by the Supplier of any tax or National Insurance.
- 9.4 All claims indemnified under this Contract must use Clause 30.
- 9.5 The Buyer can terminate the Contract for breach of any warranty or indemnity where they are entitled to do so.
- 9.6 If the Supplier becomes aware of a representation or warranty that becomes untrue or misleading, it must immediately notify the Buyer.
- 9.7 All third party warranties and indemnities covering the Deliverables must be assigned for the Buyer's benefit by the Supplier.
- 10. Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs)
  - 10.1 The Parties agree that the terms set out in Schedule 36 (Intellectual Property Rights) shall apply to this Contract.
  - 10.2 If there is an IPR Claim, the Supplier indemnifies the Buyer against all losses, damages, costs or expenses (including professional fees and fines) incurred as a result.
  - 10.3 If an IPR Claim is made or anticipated the Supplier must at its own expense and the Buyer's sole option, either:
    - 10.3.1 obtain for the Buyer the rights to continue using the relevant item without infringing any third party IPR; or

- 10.3.2 replace or modify the relevant item with substitutes that don't infringe IPR without adversely affecting the functionality or performance of the Deliverables.
- 10.4 If the Buyer requires that the Supplier procures a licence in accordance with Schedule 36 or to modify or replace an item pursuant to Schedule 36, but this has not avoided or resolved the IPR Claim, then the Buyer may terminate this Contract by written notice with immediate effect.
- 11. Rectifying issues
  - 11.1 If there is a Notifiable Default, the Supplier must notify the Buyer within 3 Working Days of the Supplier becoming aware of the Notifiable Default and the Buyer may request that the Supplier provide a Rectification Plan within 10 Working Days of the Buyer's request alongside any additional documentation that the Buyer requires.
  - 11.2 When the Buyer receives a requested Rectification Plan it can either:
    - 11.2.1 reject the Rectification Plan or revised Rectification Plan giving reasons; or
    - 11.2.2 accept the Rectification Plan or revised Rectification Plan (without limiting its rights) in which case the Supplier must immediately start work on the actions in the Rectification Plan at its own cost.
  - 11.3 Where the Rectification Plan or revised Rectification Plan is rejected, the Buyer:
    - 11.3.1 will give reasonable grounds for its decision; and
    - 11.3.2 may request that the Supplier provides a revised Rectification Plan within 5 Working Days.
- 12. Escalating issues
  - 12.1 If the Supplier fails to:
    - 12.1.1 submit a Rectification Plan or a revised Rectification Plan within the timescales set out in Clauses 11.1 or 11.3; and
    - 12.1.2 adhere to the timescales set out in an accepted Rectification Plan to resolve the Notifiable Default.

or if the Buyer otherwise rejects a Rectification Plan, the Buyer can require the Supplier to attend an Escalation Meeting on not less than 5 Working Days' notice. The Buyer will determine the location, time and duration of the Escalation Meeting(s) and the Supplier must ensure that the Supplier Authorised Representative is available to attend.

12.2 The Escalation Meeting(s) will continue until the Buyer is satisfied that the Notifiable Default has been resolved, however, where an Escalation Meeting(s) has continued for more than 5 Working Days, either Party may

treat the matter as a Dispute to be handled through the Dispute Resolution Procedure.

- 12.3 If the Supplier is in Default of any of its obligations under this Clause 12, the Buyer shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement and the consequences of termination set out in Clause 14.5.1 shall apply as if the contract were terminated under Clause 14.4.1.
- 13. Step-in rights
  - 13.1 If a Step-In Trigger Event occurs, the Buyer may give notice to the Supplier that it will be taking action in accordance with this Clause 13.1 and setting out:
    - 13.1.1 whether it will be taking action itself or with the assistance of a third party;
    - 13.1.2 what Required Action the Buyer will take during the Step-In Process;
    - 13.1.3 when the Required Action will begin and how long it will continue for;
    - 13.1.4 whether the Buyer will require access to the Sites; and
    - 13.1.5 what impact the Buyer anticipates that the Required Action will have on the Supplier's obligations to provide the Deliverables.
  - 13.2 For as long as the Required Action is taking place:
    - 13.2.1 the Supplier will not have to provide the Deliverables that are the subject of the Required Action;
    - 13.2.2 no Deductions will be applicable in respect of Charges relating to the Deliverables that are the subject of the Required Action; and
    - 13.2.3 the Buyer will pay the Charges to the Supplier after subtracting any applicable Deductions and the Buyer's costs of taking the Required Action.
  - 13.3 The Buyer will give notice to the Supplier before it ceases to exercise its rights under the Step-In Process and within 20 Working Days of this notice the Supplier will develop a draft Step-Out Plan for the Buyer to approve.
  - 13.4 If the Buyer does not approve the draft Step-Out Plan, the Buyer will give reasons and the Supplier will revise the draft Step-Out Plan and re-submit it for approval.
  - 13.5 The Supplier shall bear its own costs in connection with any step-in by the Buyer under this Clause13, provided that the Buyer shall reimburse the Supplier's reasonable additional expenses incurred directly as a result of any step-in action taken by the Buyer under:
    - 13.5.1 limbs (f) or (g) of the definition of a Step-In Trigger Event; or

- 13.5.2 limbs (h) and (i) of the definition of a Step-in Trigger Event (insofar as the primary cause of the Buyer serving a notice under Clause 13.1 is identified as not being the result of the Supplier's Default).
- **14.** Ending the contract
  - 14.1 The Contract takes effect on the Start Date and ends on the End Date or earlier if terminated under this Clause 14 or if required by Law.
  - 14.2 The Buyer can extend the Contract for the Extension Period by giving the Supplier written notice before the Contract expires as described in the Award Form.
  - 14.3 Ending the contract without a reason

The Buyer has the right to terminate the Contract at any time without reason or (unless the Award Form states something different) liability by giving the Supplier not less than 90 days' notice (unless a different notice period is set out in the Award Form) and if it's terminated Clauses 14.5.1b) to 14.5.1h) applies.

- 14.4 When the Buyer can end the Contract
  - 14.4.1 If any of the following events happen, the Buyer has the right to immediately terminate the Contract by issuing a Termination Notice to the Supplier:
    - a) there's a Supplier Insolvency Event;
    - b) the Supplier fails to notify the Buyer in writing of any Occasion of Tax Non-Compliance
    - c) there's a Notifiable Default that is not corrected in line with an accepted Rectification Plan;
    - d) the Buyer rejects a Rectification Plan or the Supplier does not provide it within 10 days of the request;
    - e) there's any material Default of the Contract;
    - a Default that occurs and then continues to occur on one or more occasions within 6 Months following the Buyer serving a warning notice on the Supplier that it may terminate for persistent breach of the Contract;
    - g) there's any material Default of any Joint Controller Agreement relating to the Contract;
    - h) there's a Default of Clauses 2.7, 10, 12, 18, 19, 31, 36, Schedule 19 (Cyber Essentials) (where applicable) or Schedule 36 (Intellectual Property Rights) relating to the Contract;
    - i) the performance of the Supplier causes a Critical Service Level Failure to occur;
    - there's a consistent repeated failure to meet the Service Levels in Schedule 10 (Service Levels);
    - k) there's a Change of Control of the Supplier which isn't preapproved by the Buyer in writing;

- the Buyer discovers that the Supplier was in one of the situations in 57 (1) or 57(2) of the Regulations at the time the Contract was awarded;
- m) the Supplier or its Affiliates embarrass or bring the Buyer into disrepute or diminish the public trust in them; or
- n) the Supplier fails to comply with its legal obligations in the fields of environmental, social, equality or employment Law when providing the Deliverables.
- 14.4.2 The Buyer also has the right to terminate the Contract in accordance with Clauses 9.5 and 24.3, Paragraph 4.1 of Schedule 37 (Corporate Resolution Planning) (where applicable) and Paragraph 7 of Schedule 24 (Financial Difficulties) (where applicable).
- 14.4.3 If any of the events in 73 (1) (a) or (b) of the Regulations happen, the Buyer has the right to immediately terminate the Contract and Clauses 14.5.1b) to 14.5.1h) applies.
- 14.5 What happens if the contract ends
  - 14.5.1 Where the Buyer terminates the Contract under Clauses 14.4.1 and 9.5, Paragraph 4.1 of Schedule 37 (Corporate Resolution Planning) (where applicable) or Paragraph 7 of Schedule 24 (Financial Difficulties) (where applicable). all of the following apply:
    - a) The Supplier is responsible for the Buyer's reasonable costs of procuring Replacement Deliverables for the rest of the Contract Period.
    - b) The Buyer's payment obligations under the terminated Contract stop immediately.
    - c) Accumulated rights of the Parties are not affected.
    - d) The Supplier must promptly delete or return the Government Data except where required to retain copies by Law.
    - e) The Supplier must promptly return any of the Buyer's property provided under the terminated Contract.
    - f) The Supplier must, at no cost to the Buyer, co-operate fully in the handover and re-procurement (including to a Replacement Supplier).
    - g) The Supplier must repay to the Buyer all the Charges that it has been paid in advance for Deliverables that it has not provided as at the date of termination or expiry.
    - h) The following Clauses survive the termination of the Contract: 3.2.10, 6, 7.2, 10, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 39, 40, Schedule 36 (Intellectual Property Rights) and any Clauses and Schedules which are expressly or by implication intended to continue.
  - 14.5.2 If either Party terminates the Contract under Clause 24.3:
    - a) each party must cover its own Losses; and
    - b) Clauses 14.5.1b) to 14.5.1h) applies.

- 14.6 When the Supplier can end the contract
  - 14.6.1 The Supplier can issue a Reminder Notice if the Buyer does not pay an undisputed invoice on time. The Supplier can terminate the Contract if the Buyer fails to pay an undisputed invoiced sum due and worth over 10% of the total Contract Value within 30 days of the date of the Reminder Notice.
  - 14.6.2 The Supplier also has the right to terminate the Contract in accordance with Clauses 24.3 and 27.5.
  - 14.6.3Where the Buyer terminates the Contract under Clause 14.3 or the Supplier terminates the Contract under Clause 14.6.1 or 27.5:
    - the Buyer must promptly pay all outstanding Charges incurred to the Supplier;
    - b) the Buyer must pay the Supplier reasonable committed and unavoidable Losses as long as the Supplier provides a fully itemised and costed schedule with evidence – the maximum value of this payment is limited to the total sum payable to the Supplier if the Contract had not been terminated; and
    - c) Clauses 14.5.1d) to 14.5.1h) apply.
- 14.7 Partially ending and suspending the contract
  - 14.7.1 Where the Buyer has the right to terminate the Contract it can terminate or suspend (for any period), all or part of it. If the Buyer suspends the Contract it can provide the Deliverables itself or buy them from a third party.
  - 14.7.2 The Buyer can only partially terminate or suspend the Contract if the remaining parts of the Contract can still be used to effectively deliver the intended purpose.
  - 14.7.3 The Parties must agree any necessary Variation required by this Clause 14.7 using the Variation Procedure, but the Supplier may not either:
    - a) reject the Variation; or
    - b) increase the Charges, except where the right to partial termination is under Clause 14.3.
  - 14.7.4 The Buyer can still use other rights available, or subsequently available to it if it acts on its rights under this Clause 14.7.
- 15. How much you can be held responsible for
  - 15.1 Each Party's total aggregate liability in each Contract Year under the Contract (whether in tort, contract or otherwise) is no more than the greater of £5 million or 150% of the Estimated Yearly Charges unless specified otherwise in the Award Form.
  - 15.2 Neither Party is liable to the other for:
    - 15.2.1 any indirect Losses; and

- 15.2.2 Loss of profits, turnover, savings, business opportunities or damage to goodwill (in each case whether direct or indirect).
- 15.3 In spite of Clause 15.1, neither Party limits or excludes any of the following:
  - 15.3.1 its liability for death or personal injury caused by its negligence, or that of its employees, agents or Subcontractors;
  - 15.3.2 its liability for bribery or fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation by it or its employees; and
  - 15.3.3 any liability that cannot be excluded or limited by Law.
- 15.4 In spite of Clause 15.1, the Supplier does not limit or exclude its liability for any indemnity given under Clauses 7.5, 9.3, 16.3 or Schedule 7 (Staff Transfer) of the Contract.
- 15.5 In spite of Clause 15.1, but subject to Clauses 15.2 and 15.3, the Supplier's total aggregate liability in each Contract Year under Clause 18.8.5 is no more than the Data Protection Liability Cap.
- 15.6 Each Party must use all reasonable endeavours to mitigate any Loss or damage which it suffers under or in connection with the Contract, including any indemnities.
- 15.7 When calculating the Supplier's liability under Clause 15.1 the following items will not be taken into consideration:
  - 15.7.1 Deductions; and
  - 15.7.2 any items specified in Clause 15.4.
- 15.8 If more than one Supplier is party to the Contract, each Supplier Party is fully responsible for both their own liabilities and the liabilities of the other Suppliers.
- 16. Obeying the law
  - 16.1 The Supplier shall comply with the provisions of Schedule 26 (Sustainability).
  - 16.2 The Supplier shall comply with the provisions of:
    - 16.2.1 the Official Secrets Acts 1911 to 1989; and
    - 16.2.2 section 182 of the Finance Act 1989.
  - 16.3 The Supplier indemnifies the Buyer against any costs resulting from any Default by the Supplier relating to any applicable Law.
  - 16.4 The Supplier must appoint a Compliance Officer who must be responsible for ensuring that the Supplier complies with Law, Clause 16.1 and Clauses 31 to 36.

### 17. Insurance

The Supplier must, at its own cost, obtain and maintain the Required Insurances in Schedule 22 (Insurance Requirements).

- 18. Data protection
  - 18.1 The Supplier must process Personal Data and ensure that Supplier Staff process Personal Data only in accordance with Schedule 20 (Processing Data).
  - 18.2 The Supplier must not remove any ownership or security notices in or relating to the Government Data.
  - 18.3 The Supplier must make accessible back-ups of all Government Data, stored in an agreed off-site location and send the Buyer copies every 6 Months.
  - 18.4 The Supplier must ensure that any Supplier system holding any Government Data, including back-up data, is a secure system that complies with the Security Policy and any applicable Security Management Plan.
  - 18.5 If at any time the Supplier suspects or has reason to believe that the Government Datais corrupted, lost or sufficiently degraded, then the Supplier must immediately notify the Buyer and suggest remedial action.
  - 18.6 If the Government Data is corrupted, lost or sufficiently degraded so as to be unusable the Buyer may either or both:
    - 18.6.1 tell the Supplier to restore or get restored Government Data as soon as practical but no later than 5 Working Days from the date that the Buyer receives notice, or the Supplier finds out about the issue, whichever is earlier; and
    - 18.6.2 restore the Government Data itself or using a third party.
  - 18.7 The Supplier must pay each Party's reasonable costs of complying with Clause 18.6 unless the Buyer is entirely at fault.
  - 18.8 The Supplier:
    - 18.8.1 must provide the Buyer with all Government Data in an agreed open format within 10 Working Days of a written request;
    - 18.8.2 must have documented processes to guarantee prompt availability of Government Data if the Supplier stops trading;
    - 18.8.3 must securely destroy all Storage Media that has held Government Data at the end of life of that media using Good Industry Practice;
    - 18.8.4 securely erase all Government Data and any copies it holds when asked to do so by the Buyer unless required by Law to retain it; and

- 18.8.5 indemnifies the Buyer against any and all Losses incurred if the Supplier breaches Clause 18 or any Data Protection Legislation.
- **19.** What you must keep confidential
  - 19.1 Each Party must:
    - 19.1.1 keep all Confidential Information it receives confidential and secure;
    - 19.1.2 not disclose, use or exploit the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information without the Disclosing Party's prior written consent, except for the purposes anticipated under the Contract; and
    - 19.1.3 immediately notify the Disclosing Party if it suspects unauthorised access, copying, use or disclosure of the Confidential Information.
  - 19.2 In spite of Clause 19.1, a Party may disclose Confidential Information which it receives from the Disclosing Party in any of the following instances:
    - 19.2.1 where disclosure is required by applicable Law, a regulatory body or a court with the relevant jurisdiction if the Recipient Party notifies the Disclosing Party of the full circumstances, the affected Confidential Information and extent of the disclosure;
    - 19.2.2 if the Recipient Party already had the information without obligation of confidentiality before it was disclosed by the Disclosing Party;
    - 19.2.3 if the information was given to it by a third party without obligation of confidentiality;
    - 19.2.4 if the information was in the public domain at the time of the disclosure;
    - 19.2.5 if the information was independently developed without access to the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information;
    - 19.2.6 on a confidential basis, to its auditors or for the purpose of regulatory requirements;
    - 19.2.7 on a confidential basis, to its professional advisers on a need-toknow basis; and
    - 19.2.8 to the Serious Fraud Office where the Recipient Party has reasonable grounds to believe that the Disclosing Party is involved in activity that may be a criminal offence under the Bribery Act 2010.
  - 19.3 The Supplier may disclose Confidential Information on a confidential basis to Supplier Staff on a need-to-know basis to allow the Supplier to meet its obligations under the Contract. The Supplier Staff must enter into a direct confidentiality agreement with the Buyer at its request.

- 19.4 The Buyer may disclose Confidential Information in any of the following cases:
  - 19.4.1 on a confidential basis to the employees, agents, consultants and contractors of the Buyer;
  - 19.4.2 on a confidential basis to any other Central Government Body, any successor body to a Central Government Body or any company that the Buyer transfers or proposes to transfer all or any part of its business to;
  - 19.4.3 if the Buyer (acting reasonably) considers disclosure necessary or appropriate to carry out its public functions;
  - 19.4.4 where requested by Parliament; and
  - 19.4.5 under Clauses 4.6 and 20.
- 19.5 For the purposes of Clauses 19.2 to 19.4 references to disclosure on a confidential basis means disclosure under a confidentiality agreement or arrangement including terms as strict as those required in Clause 19.
- 19.6 Transparency Information and any Information which is exempt from disclosure by Clause 20 is not Confidential Information.
- 19.7 The Supplier must not make any press announcement or publicise the Contracts or any part of them in any way, without the prior written consent of the Buyer and must use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that Supplier Staff do not either.
- 20. When you can share information
  - 20.1 The Supplier must tell the Buyer within 48 hours if it receives a Request For Information.
  - 20.2 In accordance with a reasonable timetable and in any event within 5 Working Days of a request from the Buyer, the Supplier must give the Buyer full co-operation and information needed so the Buyer can:
    - 20.2.1 publish the Transparency Information;
    - 20.2.2 comply with any Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request; and
    - 20.2.3 comply with any Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) request.
  - 20.3 To the extent that it is allowed and practical to do so, the Buyer will use reasonable endeavours to notify the Supplier of a FOIA request and may talk to the Supplier to help it decide whether to publish information under Clause 20.1. However, the extent, content and format of the disclosure is the Buyer's decision in its absolute discretion.
- 21. Invalid parts of the contract
  - 21.1 If any part of the Contract is prohibited by Law or judged by a court to be unlawful, void or unenforceable, it must be read as if it was removed from the Contract as much as required and rendered ineffective as far as

possible without affecting the rest of the Contract, whether it's valid or enforceable.

- 21.2 If any removal under Clause 21.1 is so fundamental that it prevents the purpose of the Contract from being achieved or it materially changes the balance of risk and rewards between the Parties, either Party may give notice to the other Party requiring the Parties to commence good faith negotiations to rectify these issues and to amend the Contract accordingly so that, as amended, it is valid and enforceable, preserves the balance of risks and rewards in this Contract and, to the extent that it is reasonably possible, achieves the Parties' original commercial intention.
- 21.3 If the Parties cannot agree on what amendments are required within 5 Working Days, the matter will be dealt with via commercial negotiation and, if there is no resolution within 30 Working Days of the matter being referred, the Contract will terminate automatically and immediately with costs lying where they fall.
- 22. No other terms apply

The provisions incorporated into the Contract are the entire agreement between the Parties. The Contract replaces all previous statements, or agreements whether written or oral. No other provisions apply.

 $23. \quad \text{Other people's rights in the Contract}$ 

No third parties may use the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act (CRTPA) to enforce any term of the Contract unless stated (referring to CRTPA) in the Contract. This does not affect third party rights and remedies that exist independently from CRTPA.

- 24. Circumstances beyond your control
  - 24.1 Any Party affected by a Force Majeure Event is excused from performing its obligations under the Contract while the inability to perform continues, if it both:
    - 24.1.1 provides a Force Majeure Notice to the other Party; and
    - 24.1.2 uses all reasonable measures practical to reduce the impact of the Force Majeure Event.
  - 24.2 Any failure or delay by the Supplier to perform its obligations under this Contract that is due to a failure or delay by an agent, Subcontractor or supplier will only be considered a Force Majeure Event if that third party is itself prevented from complying with an obligation to the Supplier due to a Force Majeure Event.
  - 24.3 Either party can partially or fully terminate the Contract if the provision of the Deliverables is materially affected by a Force Majeure Event which lasts for 90 days continuously.

 $25. \ \ {\rm Relationships\ created\ by\ the\ contract}$ 

The Contract does not create a partnership, joint venture or employment relationship. The Supplier must represent themselves accordingly and ensure others do so.

26. Giving up contract rights

A partial or full waiver or relaxation of the terms of the Contract is only valid if it is stated to be a waiver in writing to the other Party.

- 27. Transferring responsibilities
  - 27.1 The Supplier cannot assign, novate or in any other way dispose of the Contract or any part of it without the Buyer's written consent.
  - 27.2 Subject to Schedule 27 (Key Subcontractors), the Supplier cannot subcontract the Contract or any part of it without the Buyer's prior written consent. The Supplier shall provide the Buyer with information about the Subcontractor as it reasonably requests. The decision of the Buyer to consent or not will not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. If the Buyer does not communicate a decision to the Supplier within 10 Working Days of the request for consent then its consent will be deemed to have been given. The Buyer may reasonably withhold its consent to the appointment of a Subcontractor if it considers that:
    - 27.2.1 the appointment of a proposed Subcontractor may prejudice the provision of the Deliverables or may be contrary to its interests;
    - 27.2.2 the proposed Subcontractor is unreliable and/or has not provided reliable goods and or reasonable services to its other customers; and/or
    - 27.2.3 the proposed Subcontractor employs unfit persons
  - 27.3 The Buyer can assign, novate or transfer its Contract or any part of it to any Crown Body, public or private sector body which performs the functions of the Buyer.
  - 27.4 When the Buyer uses its rights under Clause 27.3 the Supplier must enter into a novation agreement in the form that the Buyer specifies.
  - 27.5 The Supplier can terminate the Contract novated under Clause 27.3 to a private sector body that is experiencing an Insolvency Event.
  - 27.6 The Supplier remains responsible for all acts and omissions of the Supplier Staff as if they were its own.
  - 27.7 If at any time the Buyer asks the Supplier for details about Subcontractors, the Supplier must provide details of Subcontractors at all levels of the supply chain including:
    - 27.7.1 their name;

- 27.7.2 the scope of their appointment;
- 27.7.3 the duration of their appointment; and
- 27.7.4 a copy of the Sub-Contract.
- $28. \ \ \text{Changing the contract}$ 
  - 28.1 Either Party can request a Variation to the Contract which is only effective if agreed in writing, including where it is set out in the Variation Form, and signed by both Parties.
  - 28.2 The Supplier must provide an Impact Assessment either:
    - 28.2.1 with the Variation Form, where the Supplier requests the Variation; and
    - 28.2.2 within the time limits included in a Variation Form requested by the Buyer.
  - 28.3 If the Variation to the Contract cannot be agreed or resolved by the Parties, the Buyer can either:
    - 28.3.1 agree that the Contract continues without the Variation; and
    - 28.3.2 refer the Dispute to be resolved using Clause 39 (Resolving Disputes).
  - 28.4 The Buyer is not required to accept a Variation request made by the Supplier.
  - 28.5 The Supplier may only reject a Variation requested by the Buyer if the Supplier:
    - 28.5.1 reasonably believes that the Variation would materially and adversely affect the risks to the health and safety of any person or that it would result in the Deliverables being provided in a way that infringes any Law; or
    - 28.5.2 demonstrates to the Buyer's reasonable satisfaction that the Variation is technically impossible to implement and that neither the Tender nor the Specification state that the Supplier has the required technical capacity or flexibility to implement the Variation.
  - 28.6 If there is a General Change in Law, the Supplier must bear the risk of the change and is not entitled to ask for an increase to the Charges.
  - 28.7 If there is a Specific Change in Law or one is likely to happen during the Contract Period the Supplier must give the Buyer notice of the likely effects of the changes as soon as reasonably practical. They must also say if they think any Variation is needed either to the Deliverables, the Charges or the Contract and provide evidence:
    - 28.7.1 that the Supplier has kept costs as low as possible, including in Subcontractor costs; and
    - 28.7.2 of how it has affected the Supplier's costs.

- 28.8 Any change in the Charges or relief from the Supplier's obligations because of a Specific Change in Law must be implemented using Clauses 28.1 to 28.4.
- **29.** How to communicate about the contract
  - 29.1 All notices under the Contract must be in writing and are considered effective on the Working Day of delivery as long as they're delivered before 5:00pm on a Working Day. Otherwise the notice is effective on the next Working Day. An email is effective at 9am on the first Working Day after sending unless an error message is received.
  - 29.2 Notices to the Buyer must be sent to the Buyer Authorised Representative's address or email address in the Award Form.
  - 29.3 This Clause does not apply to the service of legal proceedings or any documents in any legal action, arbitration or dispute resolution.
- 30. Dealing with claims
  - 30.1 If a Beneficiary is notified of a Claim then it must notify the Indemnifier as soon as reasonably practical and no later than 10 Working Days.
  - 30.2 At the Indemnifier's cost the Beneficiary must both:
    - 30.2.1 allow the Indemnifier to conduct all negotiations and proceedings to do with a Claim; and
    - 30.2.2 give the Indemnifier reasonable assistance with the claim if requested.
  - 30.3 The Beneficiary must not make admissions about the Claim without the prior written consent of the Indemnifier which cannot be unreasonably withheld or delayed.
  - 30.4 The Indemnifier must consider and defend the Claim diligently using competent legal advisors and in a way that doesn't damage the Beneficiary's reputation.
  - 30.5 The Indemnifier must not settle or compromise any Claim without the Beneficiary's prior written consent which it must not unreasonably withhold or delay.
  - 30.6 Each Beneficiary must use all reasonable endeavours to minimise and mitigate any losses that it suffers because of the Claim.
  - 30.7 If the Indemnifier pays the Beneficiary money under an indemnity and the Beneficiary later recovers money which is directly related to the Claim, the Beneficiary must immediately repay the Indemnifier the lesser of either:
    - 30.7.1 the sum recovered minus any legitimate amount spent by the Beneficiary when recovering this money; and
    - 30.7.2 the amount the Indemnifier paid the Beneficiary for the Claim.

- 31. Preventing fraud, bribery and corruption
  - 31.1 The Supplier must not during the Contract Period:
    - 31.1.1 commit a Prohibited Act or any other criminal offence in the Regulations 57(1) and 57(2);
    - 31.1.2 do or allow anything which would cause the Buyer, including any of their employees, consultants, contractors, Subcontractors or agents to breach any of the Relevant Requirements or incur any liability under them.
  - 31.2 The Supplier must during the Contract Period:
    - 31.2.1 create, maintain and enforce adequate policies and procedures to ensure it complies with the Relevant Requirements to prevent a Prohibited Act and require its Subcontractors to do the same;
    - 31.2.2 keep full records to show it has complied with its obligations under this Clause 31 and give copies to the Buyer on request; and
    - 31.2.3 if required by the Buyer, within 20 Working Days of the Start Date of the Contract, and then annually, certify in writing to the Buyer, that they have complied with this Clause 31, including compliance of Supplier Staff, and provide reasonable supporting evidence of this on request, including its policies and procedures.
  - 31.3 The Supplier must immediately notify the Buyer if it becomes aware of any breach of Clauses 31.1 or has any reason to think that it, or any of the Supplier Staff, have either:
    - 31.3.1 been investigated or prosecuted for an alleged Prohibited Act;
    - 31.3.2 been debarred, suspended, proposed for suspension or debarment, or are otherwise ineligible to take part in procurement programmes or contracts because of a Prohibited Act by any government department or agency;
    - 31.3.3 received a request or demand for any undue financial or other advantage of any kind related to the Contract; and
    - 31.3.4 suspected that any person or Party directly or indirectly related to the Contract has committed or attempted to commit a Prohibited Act.
  - 31.4 If the Supplier notifies the Buyer as required by Clause 31.3, the Supplier must respond promptly to their further enquiries, co-operate with any investigation and allow the Audit of any books, records and relevant documentation.
  - 31.5 If the Supplier is in Default under Clause 31.1 the Buyer may:
    - 31.5.1 require the Supplier to remove any Supplier Staff from providing the Deliverables if their acts or omissions have caused the Default; and
    - 31.5.2 immediately terminate this agreement.

- 31.6 In any notice the Supplier gives under Clause 31.4 it must specify the:
  - 31.6.1 Prohibited Act;
  - 31.6.2 identity of the Party who it thinks has committed the Prohibited Act; and
  - 31.6.3 action it has decided to take.
- **32.** Equality, diversity and human rights
  - 32.1 The Supplier must follow all applicable equality Law when they perform their obligations under the Contract, including:
    - 32.1.1 protections against discrimination on the grounds of race, sex, gender reassignment, religion or belief, disability, sexual orientation, pregnancy, maternity, age or otherwise; and
    - 32.1.2 any other requirements and instructions which the Buyer reasonably imposes related to equality Law.
  - 32.2 The Supplier must use all reasonable endeavours, and inform the Buyer of the steps taken, to prevent anything that is considered to be unlawful discrimination by any court or tribunal, or the Equality and Human Rights Commission (or any successor organisation) when working on the Contract.
- **33.** Health and safety
  - 33.1 The Supplier must perform its obligations meeting the requirements of:
    - 33.1.1 all applicable Law regarding health and safety; and
    - 33.1.2 the Buyer's current health and safety policy while at the Buyer's Premises, as provided to the Supplier.
  - 33.2 The Supplier must as soon as possible notify the other of any health and safety incidents or material hazards they're aware of at the Buyer Premises that relate to the performance of the Contract.
- 34. Environment
  - 34.1 When working on Site the Supplier must perform its obligations under the Buyer's current Environmental Policy, which the Buyer must provide.
  - 34.2 The Supplier must ensure that Supplier Staff are aware of the Buyer's Environmental Policy.
- 35. Tax
  - 35.1 The Supplier must not breach any tax or social security obligations and must enter into a binding agreement to pay any late contributions due, including where applicable, any interest or any fines. The Buyer cannot terminate the Contract where the Supplier has not paid a minor tax or social security contribution.

- 35.2 Where the Charges payable under the Contract are or are likely to exceed £5 million at any point during the relevant Contract Period, and an Occasion of Tax Non-Compliance occurs, the Supplier must notify the Buyer of it within 5 Working Days including:
  - 35.2.1 the steps that the Supplier is taking to address the Occasion of Tax Non-Compliance and any mitigating factors that it considers relevant; and
  - 35.2.2 other information relating to the Occasion of Tax Non-Compliance that the Buyer may reasonably need.
- 35.3 Where the Supplier or any Supplier Staff are liable to be taxed or to pay National Insurance contributions in the UK relating to payment received under the Contract, the Supplier must both:
  - 35.3.1 comply with the Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003 and all other statutes and regulations relating to income tax, the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 (including IR35) and National Insurance contributions; and
  - 35.3.2 indemnify the Buyer against any Income Tax, National Insurance and social security contributions and any other liability, deduction, contribution, assessment or claim arising from or made during or after the Contract Period in connection with the provision of the Deliverables by the Supplier or any of the Supplier Staff.
- 35.4 If any of the Supplier Staff are Workers who receive payment relating to the Deliverables, then the Supplier must ensure that its contract with the Worker contains the following requirements:
  - 35.4.1 the Buyer may, at any time during the Contract Period, request that the Worker provides information which demonstrates they comply with Clause 35.3.1, or why those requirements do not apply, the Buyer can specify the information the Worker must provide and the deadline for responding;
  - 35.4.2 the Worker's contract may be terminated at the Buyer's request if the Worker fails to provide the information requested by the Buyer within the time specified by the Buyer;
  - 35.4.3 the Worker's contract may be terminated at the Buyer's request if the Worker provides information which the Buyer considers isn't good enough to demonstrate how it complies with Clause 35.3.1 or confirms that the Worker is not complying with those requirements; and
  - 35.4.4 the Buyer may supply any information they receive from the Worker to HMRC for revenue collection and management.
- **36.** Conflict of interest
  - 36.1 The Supplier must take action to ensure that neither the Supplier nor the Supplier Staff are placed in the position of an actual, potential or perceived Conflict of Interest.

- 36.2 The Supplier must promptly notify and provide details to the Buyer if an actual, potential or perceived Conflict of Interest happens or is expected to happen.
- 36.3 The Buyer will consider whether there are any appropriate measures that can be put in place to remedy an actual, perceived or potential Conflict of Interest. If, in the reasonable opinion of the Buyer, such measures do not or will not resolve an actual or potential Conflict of Interest, the Buyer may terminate its Contract immediately by giving notice in writing to the Supplier where there is or may be an actual or potential Conflict of Interest.
- 37. Reporting a breach of the contract
  - 37.1 As soon as it is aware of it the Supplier and Supplier Staff must report to the Buyer any actual or suspected breach of:
    - 37.1.1 Law;
    - 37.1.2 Clause 16.1; and
    - 37.1.3 Clauses 31 to 36.
  - 37.2 The Supplier must not retaliate against any of the Supplier Staff who in good faith reports a breach listed in Clause 37.1 to the Buyer or a Prescribed Person.
- 38. Further Assurances

Each Party will, at the request and cost of the other Party, do all things which may be reasonably necessary to give effect to the meaning of this Contract.

- **39.** Resolving disputes
  - 39.1 If there is a Dispute, the senior representatives of the Parties who have authority to settle the Dispute will, within 28 days of a written request from the other Party, meet in good faith to resolve the Dispute by commercial negotiation.
  - 39.2 If the Parties cannot resolve the Dispute via commercial negotiation, they can attempt to settle it by mediation using the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR) Model Mediation Procedure current at the time of the Dispute. If the Parties cannot agree on a mediator, the mediator will be nominated by CEDR. If either Party does not wish to use, or continue to use mediation, or mediation does not resolve the Dispute, the Dispute must be resolved using Clauses 39.3 to 39.5.
  - 39.3 Unless the Buyer refers the Dispute to arbitration using Clause 39.4, the Parties irrevocably agree that the courts of England and Wales have the exclusive jurisdiction to:
    - 39.3.1 determine the Dispute;
    - 39.3.2 grant interim remedies; and

- 39.3.3 grant any other provisional or protective relief.
- 39.4 The Supplier agrees that the Buyer has the exclusive right to refer any Dispute to be finally resolved by arbitration under the London Court of International Arbitration Rules current at the time of the Dispute. There will be only one arbitrator. The seat or legal place of the arbitration will be London and the proceedings will be in English.
- 39.5 The Buyer has the right to refer a Dispute to arbitration even if the Supplier has started or has attempted to start court proceedings under Clause 39.3, unless the Buyer has agreed to the court proceedings or participated in them. Even if court proceedings have started, the Parties must do everything necessary to ensure that the court proceedings are stayed in favour of any arbitration proceedings if they are started under Clause 39.4.
- 39.6 The Supplier cannot suspend the performance of the Contract during any Dispute.
- 40. Which law applies

This Contract and any issues or Disputes arising out of, or connected to it, are governed by English law.

## Schedule 1 (Definitions)

#### 1. **DEFINITIONS**

- 1.1 In the Contract, unless the context otherwise requires, capitalised expressions shall have the meanings set out in this 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 the 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 Crown 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; and
  - 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 the Contract are for ease of reference only and shall not affect the interpretation or construction of the Contract; and
  - 1.3.12 where the Buyer is a Crown Body it shall be treated as contracting with the Crown as a whole.

- 1.3.13 Any reference in this Contract which immediately before IP Completion Day (or such later date when relevant EU law ceases to have effect pursuant to Section 1A of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018) is a reference to (as it has effect from time to time):
  - (I) 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 and which shall be read on and after IP Completion 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

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

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

"Achieve"	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 and " <b>Achieved</b> ", " <b>Achieving</b> " and " <b>Achievement</b> " shall be construed accordingly;
"Additional FDE Group Member"	means any entity (if any) specified as an Additional FDE Group Member in Part A of Annex 3 of Schedule 24 (Financial Difficulties);
"Affected Party"	the party seeking to claim relief in respect of a Force Majeure Event;
"Affiliates"	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;
"Allowable Assumptions"	means the assumptions (if any) set out in Annex 2 of Schedule 3 (Charges);
"Annex"	extra information which supports a Schedule;
"Approval"	the prior written consent of the Buyer and " <b>Approve</b> " and " <b>Approved</b> " shall be construed accordingly;
"Associates"	means, in relation to an entity, an undertaking in which the entity owns, directly or indirectly, between 20% and 50% of the voting rights and exercises a degree of control sufficient for the

	undertaking to be treated as an associate under generally accepted accounting principles;
"Audit"	the Buyer's right to:
	(a) verify the integrity and content of any Financial Report;
	<ul> <li>(b) verify the accuracy of the Charges and any other amounts payable by the Buyer under a Contract (including proposed or actual variations to them in accordance with the Contract);</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(c) 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> </ul>
	(d) verify the Open Book Data;
	<ul> <li>(e) verify the Supplier's and each Subcontractor's compliance with the applicable Law;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(f) identify or investigate actual or suspected breach of Clauses 3 to 37 and/or Schedule 26 (Sustainability), impropriety or accounting mistakes or any breach or threatened breach of security and in these circumstances the Buyer shall have no obligation to inform the Supplier of the purpose or objective of its investigations;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(g) 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> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(h) obtain such information as is necessary to fulfil the Buyer's obligations to supply information for parliamentary, ministerial, judicial or administrative purposes including the supply of information to the Comptroller and Auditor General;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(i) review any books of account and the internal contract management accounts kept by the Supplier in connection with the Contract;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(j) carry out the Buyer's internal and statutory audits and to prepare, examine and/or certify the Buyer's annual and interim reports and accounts;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(k) 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 Buyer has used its resources;</li> </ul>
"Auditor"	(a) the Buyer's internal and external auditors;
	(b) the Buyer's statutory or regulatory auditors;
	(c) the Comptroller and Auditor General, their staff and/or any appointed representatives of the National Audit Office;

	(d) HM Treasury or the Cabinet Office;	
	(e) any party formally appointed by the Buyer to carry out audit or similar review functions; and	
	(f) successors or assigns of any of the above;	
"Award Form"	the document outlining the Incorporated Terms and crucial information required for the Contract, to be executed by the Supplier and the Buyer;	
"Beneficiary"	a Party having (or claiming to have) the benefit of an indemnity under this Contract;	
"Buyer"	the public sector purchaser identified as such in the Order Form;	
"Buyer Assets"	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;	
"Buyer Authorised Representative"	the representative appointed by the Buyer from time to time in relation to the Contract initially identified in the Award Form;	
"Buyer Cause"	has the meaning given to it in the Award Form;	
"Buyer Data"	means 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 Buyer's or End User's Confidential Information, and which:	
	<ul> <li>(a) are supplied to the Supplier by or on behalf of the Buyer, or End User; or</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(b) the Supplier is required to generate, process, store or transmit pursuant to this Contract; or</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(c) any Personal Data for which the Buyer or End User is the Controller;</li> </ul>	
"Buyer Existing IPR"	means any and all IPR that are owned by or licensed to the Buyer, and where the Buyer is a Central Government Body, any Crown IPR, and which are or have been developed independently of the Contract (whether prior to the Start Date or otherwise)	
"Buyer Premises"	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);	

"Buyer Third Party"	means any supplier to the Buyer (other than the Supplier), which is notified to the Supplier from time to time;
"Buyer's Confidential Information"	<ul> <li>(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 Buyer (including all Buyer Existing IPR and New IPR);</li> <li>(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 Buyer's attention or into the Buyer's possession in connection with the Contract; and information derived from any of the above;</li> </ul>
"Central Government Body"	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;
	<ul> <li>(b) Non-Departmental Public Body or Assembly Sponsored Public Body (advisory, executive, or tribunal);</li> </ul>
	(c) Non-Ministerial Department; or
	(d) Executive Agency;
"Change in Law"	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;
"Change of Control"	a change of control within the meaning of Section 450 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010;
"Charges"	the prices (exclusive of any applicable VAT), payable to the Supplier by the Buyer under the Contract, as set out in the Award Form, for the full and proper performance by the Supplier of its obligations under the Contract less any Deductions;
"Claim"	any claim which it appears that a Beneficiary is, or may become, entitled to indemnification under this Contract;
"Commercially Sensitive Information"	the Confidential Information listed in the Award 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 Buyer that, if disclosed by the Buyer, would cause the Supplier significant commercial disadvantage or material financial loss;

"Comparable Supply"	the supply of Deliverables to another Buyer of the Supplier that are the same or similar to the Deliverables;	
"Compliance Officer"	the person(s) appointed by the Supplier who is responsible for ensuring that the Supplier complies with its legal obligations;	
"Confidential Information"	means any information, however it is conveyed, that relates to the business, affairs, developments, trade secrets, Know-How, personnel and suppliers of 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;	
"Conflict of Interest"	a conflict between the financial or personal duties of the Supplier or the Supplier Staff and the duties owed to the Buyer under the Contract, in the reasonable opinion of the Buyer;	
"Contract"	the contract between the Buyer and the Supplier, which consists of the terms set out and referred to in the Award Form;	
"Contract Period"	<ul> <li>the term of the Contract from the earlier of the:</li> <li>(a) Start Date; or</li> <li>(b) the Effective Date</li> <li>(c) until the End Date;</li> </ul>	
"Contract Value"	the higher of the actual or expected total Charges paid or payable under the Contract where all obligations are met by the Supplier;	
"Contract Year"	a consecutive period of twelve (12) Months commencing on the Start Date or each anniversary thereof;	
"Control"	control in either of the senses defined in sections 450 and 1124 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 and " <b>Controlled</b> " shall be construed accordingly;	
"Controller"	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR or the EU GDPR as the context requires;	
"Core Terms"	the Buyer's terms and conditions which apply to and comprise one part of the Contract set out in the document called "Core Terms";	
"Costs"	the following costs (without double recovery) to the extent that they are reasonably and properly incurred by the Supplier in providing the Deliverables:	

(a)	contex	st to the Supplier or the Key Subcontractor (as the kt requires), calculated per Work Day, of engaging the ier 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;
	(viii)	work place IT equipment and tools reasonably necessary to provide the Deliverables (but not including items included within limb (b) below); and
	(ix)	reasonable recruitment costs, as agreed with the Buyer;
(b)	treated accou cost to Suppli	incurred in respect of Supplier Assets which would be d as capital costs according to generally accepted nting principles within the UK, which shall include the b be charged in respect of Supplier Assets by the ier to the Buyer or (to the extent that risk and title in any ier Asset is not held by the Supplier) any cost actually ed by the Supplier in respect of those Supplier Assets;
(c)	above prope	tional costs which are not included within (a) or (b) , to the extent that such costs are necessary and rly incurred by the Supplier in the provision of the rables; and
(d)	specif	oursable Expenses to the extent these have been ied as allowable in the Award Form and are incurred in ring any Deliverables;
but	excludii	ng:
(e)	Overh	ead;
(f)	financ	ing or similar costs;
(g)	to mai	enance and support costs to the extent that these relate ntenance and/or support Deliverables provided beyond ontract Period whether in relation to Supplier Assets or vise;
(h)	taxatio	on;
(i)	fines a	and penalties;
(j)		nts payable under Schedule 12 (Benchmarking) where Schedule is used; and

	<ul> <li>(k) non-cash items (including depreciation, amortisation, impairments and movements in provisions);</li> </ul>
"Critical Service Level Failure"	has the meaning given to it in the Award Form;
"Crown Body"	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 particular bodies, persons, commissions or agencies from time to time carrying out functions on its behalf;
"Crown IPR"	means any IPR which is owned by or licensed to the Crown, and which are or have been developed independently of the Contract (whether prior to the Start Date or otherwise);
"CRTPA"	the Contract Rights of Third Parties Act 1999;
"Data Protection Impact Assessment"	an assessment by the Controller of the impact of the envisaged Processing on the protection of Personal Data;
"Data Protection Legislation"	(i) the UK GDPR, (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; and (iv) (to the extent that it applies) the EU GDPR
"Data Protection Liability Cap"	has the meaning given to it in the Award Form
"Data Protection Officer"	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR or the EU GDPR as the context requires;
"Data Subject"	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR or the EU GDPR as the context requires;
"Data Subject Access Request"	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;
"Deductions"	all Service Credits, Delay Payments (if applicable), or any other deduction which the Buyer is paid or is payable to the Buyer under the Contract;
"Default"	any breach of the obligations of the Supplier (including abandonment of the 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 the Contract and in respect of which the Supplier is liable to the Buyer;
"Delay Payments"	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;
"Deliverables"	Goods and/or Services that may be ordered under the Contract including the Documentation;
"Delivery"	delivery of the relevant Deliverable or Milestone in accordance with the terms of the Contract as confirmed and accepted by the Buyer by the either (a) confirmation in writing to the Supplier; or (b) where Schedule 8 (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;
"Dependent Parent Undertaking"	means any Parent Undertaking which provides any of its Subsidiary Undertakings and/or Associates, whether directly or indirectly, with any financial, trading, managerial or other assistance of whatever nature, without which the Supplier would be unable to continue the day to day conduct and operation of its business in the same manner as carried on at the time of entering into this Contract, including for the avoidance of doubt the provision of the Services in accordance with the terms of this Contract;
"Disaster"	the occurrence of one or more events which, either separately or cumulatively, mean that the Deliverables, or a material part thereof will be unavailable (or could reasonably be anticipated to be unavailable) for the period specified in the Award Form (for the purposes of this definition the <b>"Disaster Period</b> ");
"Disclosing Party"	the Party directly or indirectly providing Confidential Information to the other Party in accordance with Clause 19 (What you must keep confidential);
"Dispute"	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;

"Dispute Resolution Procedure"	the dispute resolution procedure set out in Clause 39 (Resolving disputes);		
"Documentation"	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 the 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		
	<ul> <li>(b) is required by the Supplier in order to provide the Deliverables; and/or</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>(c) has been or shall be generated for the purpose of providing the Deliverables;</li> </ul>		
"DOTAS"	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;		
"DPA 2018"	The Data Protection Act 2018		
"Due Diligence Information"	any information supplied to the Supplier by or on behalf of the Buyer prior to the Start Date;		
"Effective Date"	the date on which the final Party has signed the Contract;		
"EIR"	the Environmental Information Regulations 2004;		
"Employment Regulations"	the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 (SI 2006/246) as amended or replaced;		
"End Date"	the earlier of:		
	<ul> <li>(a) the Expiry Date as extended by the Buyer under Clause 14.2; or</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>(b) if the Contract is terminated before the date specified in (a) above, the date of termination of the Contract;</li> </ul>		

"End User"	means a party that is accessing the Deliverables provided pursuant to this Contract (including the Buyer where it is accessing services on its own account as a user);	
"Environmental Policy"	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;	
"Equality and Human Rights Commission"	the UK Government body named as such as may be renamed or replaced by an equivalent body from time to time;	
"Escalation Meeting"	means a meeting between the Supplier Authorised Representative and the Buyer Authorised Representative to address issues that have arisen during the Rectification Plan Process;	
"Estimated Year 1 Charges"	the anticipated total Charges payable by the Buyer in the first Contract Year specified in the Award Form;	
"Estimated Yearly Charges"	<ul> <li>means for the purposes of calculating each Party's annual liability under Clause 15.1 :</li> <li>(a) in the first Contract Year, the Estimated Year 1 Charges; or</li> <li>(b) in any subsequent Contract Years, the Charges paid or payable in the previous Contract Year; or</li> <li>(c) after the end of the Contract, the Charges paid or payable in the last Contract Year during the Contract Period;</li> </ul>	
"EU"	European Union	
"EU GDPR"	Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data (General Data Protection Regulation) as it has effect in EU law;	
"Existing IPR"	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);	
"Exit Plan"	has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 4.1 of Schedule 30 (Exit Plan);	
"Expiry Date"	the date of the end of the Contract as stated in the Award Form;	

"Extension Period"	such period or periods beyond which the Initial Period may be extended, specified in the Award Form;	
"FDE Group"	the Supplier and any Additional FDE Group Member;	
"Financial Distress Event"	The occurrence of one or more the following events:	
Event	<ul> <li>(a) the credit rating of any FDE Group entity drops below the applicable Credit Rating Threshold of the relevant Rating Agency;</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(b) any FDE Group entity issues a profits warning to a stock exchange or makes any other public announcement, in each case about a material deterioration in its financial position or prospects;</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(c) there being a public investigation into improper financial accounting and reporting, suspected fraud or any other impropriety of any FDE Group entity;</li> </ul>	
	(d) any FDE Group entity commits a material breach of covenant to its lenders;	
	<ul> <li>(e) a Key Subcontractor notifies the Buyer that the Supplier has not paid any material sums properly due under a specified invoice and not subject to a genuine dispute;</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(f) any FDE Group entity extends the filing period for filing its accounts with the Registrar of Companies so that the filing period ends more than 9 months after its accounting reference date without an explanation to the Buyer which the Buyer (acting reasonably) considers to be adequate;</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(g) any FDE Group entity is late to file its annual accounts without a public notification or an explanation to the Buyer which the Buyer (acting reasonably) considers to be adequate;</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(h) the directors and/or external auditors of any FDE Group entity conclude that a material uncertainty exists in relation to that FDE Group entity's going concern in the annual report including in a reasonable but plausible downside scenario. This includes, but is not limited to, commentary about liquidity and trading prospects in the reports from directors or external auditors;</li> </ul>	
	(i) any of the following:	
	<ul> <li>(i) any FDE Group entity makes a public announcement which contains commentary with regards to that FDE Group entity's liquidity and trading and trading prospects, such as but not limited to, a profit warning or ability to trade as a going concern;</li> </ul>	

	<ul> <li>(ii) commencement of any litigation against any FDE Group entity with respect to financial indebtedness greater than £5m or obligations under a service contract with a total contract value greater than £5m;</li> </ul>
	<ul><li>(iii) non-payment by any FDE Group entity of any financial indebtedness;</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>(iv) any financial indebtedness of any FDE Group entity becoming due as a result of an event of default;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(v) the cancellation or suspension of any financial indebtedness in respect of any FDE Group entity; or</li> </ul>
	(vi) an external auditor of any FDE Group entity expressing a qualified opinion on, or including an emphasis of matter in, its opinion on the statutory accounts of that FDE Group entity,
	in each case which the Buyer reasonably believes (or would be likely reasonably to believe) could directly impact on the continued provision of the Deliverables in accordance with the Contract; or
	<ul> <li>(j) any one of the Financial Indicators set out in Part C of Annex 2 of Schedule 24 for any of the FDE Group entities failing to meet the required Financial Target Threshold.</li> </ul>
"Financial Report"	a report provided by the Supplier to the Buyer that:
	<ul> <li>(a) to the extent permitted by Law, provides a true and fair reflection of the Costs and Supplier Profit Margin forecast by the Supplier;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(b) to the extent permitted by Law, provides detail a true and fair reflection of the costs and expenses to be incurred by Key Subcontractors (as requested by the Buyer);</li> </ul>
	(c) is in the same software package (Microsoft Excel or Microsoft Word), layout and format as the blank templates which have been issued by the Buyer to the Supplier on or before the Start Date for the purposes of this Contract; and
	<ul> <li>(d) is certified by the Supplier's Chief Financial Officer or Director of Finance;</li> </ul>
"Financial	means:
Transparency Objectives"	<ul> <li>(a) the Buyer having a clear analysis of the Costs, Overhead recoveries (where relevant), time spent by Supplier Staff in</li> </ul>

"FOIA"       the Parties being able to understand Cost forecasts and to have confidence that these are based on justifiable numbers and appropriate forecasting techniques;         (c)       the Parties being able to understand Cost forecasts and to have confidence that these are based on justifiable numbers and appropriate forecasting techniques;         (c)       the Parties being able to understand the quantitative impact of any Variations that affect ongoing Costs and identifying how these could be mitigated and/or reflected in the Charges;         (d)       the Parties being able to review, address issues with and re-forecast progress in relation to the provision of the Services;         (e)       the Parties challenging each other with ideas for efficiency and improvements; and         (f)       enabling the Buyer to demonstrate that it is achieving value for money for the tax payer relative to current market prices;         "FOIA"       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;         "Force Majeure Event"       any event, circumstance, matter or cause affecting the performance by either the Buyer or the Supplier of its obligations arising from:         (a)       acts, events, omissions, happenings or non-happenings beyond the reasonable control of the Affected Party which prevent or materially delay the Affected Party which prevent or materially delay the Affected Party from performing its obligations under a Contract;         (b)			
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"Force Majeure	take reasonable preventative action by that Party; a written notice served by the Affected Party on the other Party		
Notice"	stating that the Affected Party believes that there is a Force Majeure Event;		
"General Anti-	(a) the legislation in Part 5 of the Finance Act 2013 and; and		
Abuse Rule"	<ul> <li>(b) any future legislation introduced into parliament to counteract tax advantages arising from abusive arrangements to avoid National Insurance contributions;</li> </ul>		
"General Change in Law"	a Change in Law where the change is of a general legislative nature (including taxation or duties of any sort affecting the Supplier) or which affects or relates to a Comparable Supply;		
"Goods"	goods made available by the Supplier as specified in Schedule 2 (Specification) and in relation to a Contract as specified in the Award Form;		
"Good Industry Practice"	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;		
"Government"	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;		
"Government Data"	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 Buyer's Confidential Information, and which:		
	(a) are supplied to the Supplier by or on behalf of the Buyer; or		
	<ul> <li>(b) the Supplier is required to generate, process, store or transmit pursuant to the Contract;</li> </ul>		
"Government Procurement Card"	the Government's preferred method of purchasing and payment for low value goods or services https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government- procurement-card2;		

"Guarantor"	the person (if any) who has entered into a guarantee in the form set out in Schedule 23 (Guarantee) in relation to this Contract;		
"Halifax Abuse Principle"	the principle explained in the CJEU Case C-255/02 Halifax and others;		
"HMRC"	Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs;		
"ICT Policy"	the Buyer's policy in respect of information and communications technology, referred to in the Award Form, which is in force as at the Start Date (a copy of which has been supplied to the Supplier), as updated from time to time in accordance with the Variation Procedure;		
"Impact Assessment"	an assessment of the impact of a Variation request by the Buyer completed in good faith, including:		
	<ul> <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> </ul>		
	(b) details of the cost of implementing the proposed Variation;		
	<ul> <li>(c) details of the ongoing costs required by the proposed Variation when implemented, including any increase or decrease in the 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> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>(d) a timetable for the implementation, together with any proposals for the testing of the Variation; and</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>(e) such other information as the Buyer may reasonably request in (or in response to) the Variation request;</li> </ul>		
"Implementation Plan"	the plan for provision of the Deliverables set out in Schedule 8 (Implementation Plan and Testing) where that Schedule is used or otherwise as agreed between the Supplier and the Buyer;		
"Incorporated Terms"	the contractual terms applicable to the Contract specified in the Award Form;		
"Indemnifier"	a Party from whom an indemnity is sought under this Contract;		
"Independent Controller"	a party which is Controller of the same Personal Data as the other Party and there is no element of joint control with regards to that Personal Data;		
"Indexation"	the adjustment of an amount or sum in accordance with the Award Form;		

"Information"	has the meaning given under section 84 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000;	
"Information Commissioner"	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;	
"Initial Period"	the initial term of the Contract specified in the Award Form;	
"Insolvency Event"	with respect to any person, means:	
	<ul> <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:</li> <li>(i) (being a company or a LLP) is deemed unable to pay</li> </ul>	
	its debts within the meaning of section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986, or	
	<ul> <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>	
	(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;	
	<ul> <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> </ul>	
	(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 fourteen (14) days;	
	(e) that person suspends or ceases, or threatens to suspend or cease, carrying on all or a substantial part of its business;	
	(f) where that person is a company, a LLP or a partnership:	

	<ul> <li>a petition is presented (which is not dismissed within fourteen (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</li> </ul>	
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	<ul> <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>	
	<ul> <li>(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</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(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</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(a) 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;</li> </ul>	
"Installation Works"	all works which the Supplier is to carry out at the beginning of the Contract Period to install the Goods in accordance with the Contract;	
"Intellectual Property Rights" or "IPR"	<ul> <li>(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;</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(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</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(c) all other rights having equivalent or similar effect in any country or jurisdiction;</li> </ul>	
"Invoicing Address"	the address to which the Supplier shall Invoice the Buyer as specified in the Award Form;	

"IP Completion Day"	has the meaning given to it in the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Act 2020;		
"IPR Claim"	any claim of infringement or alleged infringement (including the defence of such infringement or alleged infringement) of any 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 Buyer in the fulfilment of its obligations under the Contract;		
"IR35"	the off-payroll rules requiring individuals who work through their company pay the same tax and National Insurance contributions as an employee which can be found online at: <u>https://www.gov.uk/guidance/ir35-find-out-if-it-applies;</u>		
"Joint Controller Agreement"	the agreement (if any) entered into between the Buyer and the Supplier substantially in the form set out in Annex 2 of Schedule 20 (Processing Data);		
"Joint Control"	where two or more Controllers jointly determine the purposes and means of Processing;		
"Joint Controllers"	where two or more Controllers jointly determine the purposes and means of Processing;		
"Key Staff"	the persons who the Supplier shall appoint to fill key roles in connection with the Services as listed in Annex 1 of Schedule 29 (Key Supplier Staff);		
"Key Sub-Contract"	each Sub-Contract with a Key Subcontractor;		
"Кеу	any Subcontractor:		
Subcontractor"	<ul> <li>(a) which is relied upon to deliver any work package within the Deliverables in their entirety; and/or</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>(b) which, in the opinion of the Buyer performs (or would perform if appointed) a critical role in the provision of all or any part of the Deliverables; and/or</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>(c) with a Sub-Contract with the 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 Contract,</li> </ul>		
	and the Supplier shall list all such Key Subcontractors in section 29 of the Award Form;		

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"Know-How"	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 Start Date;	
"Law"	any law, subordinate legislation within the meaning of Section 21(1) of the Interpretation Act 1978, bye-law, right within the meaning of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 as amended by European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Act 2020, regulation, order, regulatory policy, mandatory guidance or code of practice, judgment of a relevant court of law, or directives or requirements of any regulatory body with which the Supplier is bound to comply;	
"Law Enforcement Processing"	processing under Part 3 of the DPA 2018;	
"Losses"	all losses, liabilities, damages, costs, expenses (including legal 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;	
"Marketing Contact"	shall be the person identified in the Award Form;	
"Milestone"	an event or task described in the Implementation Plan;	
"Milestone Date"	the target date set out against the relevant Milestone in the Implementation Plan by which the Milestone must be Achieved;	
"Month"	a calendar month and "Monthly" shall be interpreted accordingly;	
"National Insurance"	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);	
"New IPR"	<ul> <li>(a) IPR in items created by the Supplier (or by a third party on behalf of the Supplier) specifically for the purposes of the Contract and updates and amendments of these items including database schema; and/or</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(b) IPR in or arising as a result of the performance of the Supplier's obligations under the Contract and all updates and amendments to the same;</li> </ul>	

	but shall not include the Supplier's Existing IPR. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, any New IPR should be recorded in Schedule 36 and updated regularly;		
"New IPR Item"	means a deliverable, document, product or other item within which New IPR subsists;		
"Notifiable Default"	means:		
	(a) the Supplier commits a material Default; and/or		
	<ul> <li>(b) the performance of the Supplier is likely to cause or causes a Critical Service Level Failure;</li> </ul>		
"Occasion of Tax	where:		
Non –Compliance"	<ul> <li>(a) any tax return of the Supplier submitted to a Relevant Tax Authority on or after 1 October 2012 which is found on or after 1 April 2013 to be incorrect as a result of:</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>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;</li> </ul>		
	(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		
	<ul> <li>(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;</li> </ul>		
"Open Book Data"	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 Contract, including details and all assumptions relating to:		
	<ul> <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> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>(b) operating expenditure relating to the provision of the Deliverables including an analysis showing:</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>the unit costs and quantity of Goods and any other consumables and bought-in Deliverables;</li> </ul>		

	(ii)	manpower resources 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 manpower grade;
	(iii)	a list of Costs underpinning those rates for each manpower grade, being the agreed rate less the Supplier Profit Margin; and
	(iv)	Reimbursable Expenses, if allowed under the Award Form;
	(c) Ove	rheads;
		terest, expenses and any other third party financing costs rred in relation to the provision of the Deliverables;
		Supplier Profit achieved over the Contract Period and on nual basis;
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	asso	xplanation of the type and value of risk and contingencies ociated with the provision of the Deliverables, including the unt of money attributed to each risk and/or contingency;
	(h) the a	actual Costs profile for each Service Period;
"Open Licence"	means any material that is published for use, with rights to access and modify, by any person for free, under a generally recognised open licence including Open Government Licence as set out at <u>http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/doc/open-government-</u> <u>licence/version/3/</u> and the Open Standards Principles documented at <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/open-standards- principles/open-standards-principles;</u>	
"Open Licence Publication Material"	means items created pursuant to the Contract which the Buyer may wish to publish as Open Licence which are supplied in a format suitable for publication under Open Licence;	
"Overhead"	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";	
"Parent Undertaking"	has the meaning set out in section 1162 of the Companies Act 2006;	
"Parliament"	takes its natural meaning as interpreted by Law;	

"Party"	the Buyer or the Supplier and " <b>Parties</b> " shall mean both of them where the context permits;		
"Personal Data"	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR or the EU GDPR as the context requires;		
"Personal Data Breach"	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR or the EU GDPR as the context requires;		
"Prescribed Person"	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: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/blowing-the-</u> <u>whistle-list-of-prescribed-people-and-bodies2/whistleblowing-list-of-prescribed-people-and-bodies;</u>		
"Processing"	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR or the EU GDPR as the context requires;		
"Processor"	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR or the EU GDPR as the context requires;		
"Processor Personnel"	all directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and suppliers of the Processor and/or of any Subprocessor engaged in the performance of its obligations under the Contract;		
"Progress Meeting"	a meeting between the Buyer Authorised Representative and the Supplier Authorised Representative;		
"Progress Report"	a report provided by the Supplier indicating the steps taken to achieve Milestones or delivery dates;		
"Prohibited Acts"	<ul> <li>(a) to directly or indirectly offer, promise or give any person working for or engaged by the Buyer or any other public body a financial or other advantage to:</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>(i) induce that person to perform improperly a relevant function or activity; or</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>(ii) reward that person for improper performance of a relevant function or activity;</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>(b) to directly or indirectly request, agree to receive or accept any financial or other advantage as an inducement or a reward for improper performance of a relevant function or activity in connection with the Contract; or</li> </ul>		
	(c) committing any offence:		
	<ul> <li>(i) under the Bribery Act 2010 (or any legislation repealed or revoked by such Act); or</li> </ul>		

	(ii) under legislation or common law concerning fraudulent acts; or		
	(iii) defrauding, attempting to defraud or conspiring to defraud the Buyer or other public body; or		
	<ul> <li>(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;</li> </ul>		
"Protective Measures"	technical and organisational measures which must take account of:		
	(a) the nature of the data to be protected		
	(b) harm that might result from Data Loss Event;		
	(c) state of technological development		
	(d) the cost of implementing any measures		
	including 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;		
"Public Sector Body "	means a formally established organisation that is (at least in part) publicly funded to deliver a public or government service;		
"Recall"	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 IPR rights) that might endanger health or hinder performance;		
"Recipient Party"	the Party which receives or obtains directly or indirectly Confidential Information;		
"Rectification Plan"	the Supplier's plan (or revised plan) to rectify its breach using the template in Schedule 25 (Rectification Plan) which shall include:		
	<ul> <li>(a) full details of the Notifiable Default that has occurred, including a root cause analysis;</li> </ul>		
	(b) the actual or anticipated effect of the Notifiable Default; and		
	<ul> <li>(c) the steps which the Supplier proposes to take to rectify the Notifiable Default (if applicable) and to prevent such Notifiable Default from recurring, including timescales for such steps and for the rectification of the Notifiable Default (where applicable);</li> </ul>		

"Rectification Plan Process"	the process set out in Clause 11;	
"Regulations"	the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and/or the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 (as the context requires);	
"Reimbursable Expenses"	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:	
	<ul> <li>(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</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(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;</li> </ul>	
"Relevant Requirements"	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;	
"Relevant Tax Authority"	HMRC, or, if applicable, the tax authority in the jurisdiction in which the Supplier is established;	
"Reminder Notice"	a notice sent in accordance with Clause 14.6.1 given by the Supplier to the Buyer providing notification that payment has not been received on time;	
"Replacement Deliverables"	any deliverables which are substantially similar to any of the Deliverables and which the Buyer receives in substitution for any of the Deliverables, whether those goods are provided by the Buyer internally and/or by any third party;	
"Replacement Supplier"	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;	
"Request For Information"	a request for information or an apparent request relating to the Contract for the provision of the Deliverables or an apparent request for such information under the FOIA or the EIRs;	

"Required Action"	means the action the Buyer will take and what Deliverables it will control during the Step-In Process;
"Required Insurances"	the insurances required by Schedule 22 (Insurance Requirements);
"Satisfaction Certificate"	the certificate (materially in the form of the document contained in Annex 2 of Part B of Schedule 8 (Implementation Plan and Testing) or as agreed by the Parties where Schedule 8 is not used in this Contract) granted by the Buyer when the Supplier has Achieved a Milestone or a Test;
"Schedules"	any attachment to the Contract which contains important information specific to each aspect of buying and selling;
"Security Management Plan"	the Supplier's security management plan prepared pursuant to Schedule 16 (Security) (if applicable);
"Security Policy"	the Buyer's security policy, referred to in the Award Form, in force as at the Start Date (a copy of which has been supplied to the Supplier), as updated from time to time and notified to the Supplier;
"Serious Fraud Office"	the UK Government body named as such as may be renamed or replaced by an equivalent body from time to time;
"Service Credits"	any service credits specified in the Annex to Part A of Schedule 10 (Service Levels) being payable by the Supplier to the Buyer in respect of any failure by the Supplier to meet one or more Service Levels;
"Service Levels"	any service levels applicable to the provision of the Deliverables under the Contract (which, where Schedule 10 (Service Levels) is used in this Contract, are specified in the Annex to Part A of such Schedule);
"Service Period"	has the meaning given to it in the Award Form;
"Services"	services made available by the Supplier as specified in Schedule 2 (Specification) and in relation to a Contract as specified in the Award Form;
"Sites"	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
	<ul> <li>(b) the Supplier manages, organises or otherwise directs the provision or the use of the Deliverables;</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>(c) those premises at which any Supplier Equipment or any part of the Supplier System is located (where ICT Services are being provided)</li> </ul>
"SME"	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;
"Social Value"	the additional social benefits that can be achieved in the delivery of the Contract set out in Schedule 2 (Specification) and either (i) Schedule 10 (Service Levels) (where used) or (ii) Part C of Schedule 26 (Sustainability) (where Schedule 10 (Service Levels) is not used)
"Social Value KPIs"	the Social Value priorities set out in Schedule 2 (Specification) and either (i) Schedule 10 (Service Levels) (where used) or (ii) Part C of Schedule 26 (Sustainability) (where Schedule 10 (Service Levels) is not used
"Social Value Report"	the report the Supplier is required to provide to the Buyer pursuant to Paragraph 1 of Part C of Schedule 26 (Sustainability) where Schedule 10 (Service Levels) is not used
"Special Terms"	any additional terms and conditions set out in the Award Form incorporated into the Contract;
"Special IPR Terms"	any additional terms and conditions relating to IPR set out in the Award Form incorporated into the Contract;
"Specific Change in Law"	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;
"Specification"	the specification set out in Schedule 2 (Specification), as may, in relation to the Contract, be supplemented by the Award Form;
"Standards"	<ul> <li>any:</li> <li>(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;</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>(b) standards detailed in the specification in Schedule 2 (Specification);</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(c) standards detailed by the Buyer in the Award Form or agreed between the Parties from time to time;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(d) relevant Government codes of practice and guidance applicable from time to time;</li> </ul>
"Start Date"	the date specified on the Award Form;
"Step-In Process"	the process set out in Clause 13;
"Step-In Trigger	means:
Event"	<ul> <li>(a) the Supplier's level of performance constituting a Critical Service Level Failure;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(b) the Supplier committing a material Default which is irremediable;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(c) where a right of termination is expressly reserved in this Contract;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(d) an Insolvency Event occurring in respect of the Supplier or any Guarantor required under the Award Form;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(e) a Default by the Supplier that is materially preventing or materially delaying the provision of the Deliverables or any material part of them;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(f) the Buyer considers that the circumstances constitute an emergency despite the Supplier not being in breach of its obligations under this agreement;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(g) the Buyer being advised by a regulatory body that the exercise by the Buyer of its rights under Clause 13 is necessary;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(h) the existence of a serious risk to the health or safety of persons, property or the environment in connection with the Deliverables; and/or</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(i) a need by the Buyer to take action to discharge a statutory duty;</li> </ul>
"Step-Out Plan"	means the Supplier's plan that sets out how the Supplier will resume the provision of the Deliverables and perform all its obligations under the Contract following the completion of the Step-In Process;
"Storage Media"	the part of any device that is capable of storing and retrieving data;
"Sub-Contract"	any contract or agreement (or proposed contract or agreement), other than the Contract, pursuant to which a third party:

	(a) provides the Deliverables (or any part of them);
	<ul> <li>(b) provides facilities or services necessary for the provision of the Deliverables (or any part of them); and/or</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(c) is responsible for the management, direction or control of the provision of the Deliverables (or any part of them);</li> </ul>
"Subcontractor"	any person other than the Supplier, who is a party to a Sub- Contract and the servants or agents of that person;
"Subprocessor"	any third Party appointed to process Personal Data on behalf of the Supplier related to the Contract;
"Subsidiary Undertaking"	has the meaning set out in section 1162 of the Companies Act 2006;
"Supplier"	the person, firm or company identified in the Award Form;
"Supplier Assets"	all assets and rights used by the Supplier to provide the Deliverables in accordance with the Contract but excluding the Buyer Assets;
"Supplier Authorised Representative"	the representative appointed by the Supplier named in the Award Form, or later defined in a Contract;
"Supplier Equipment"	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 Contract;
"Supplier Existing IPR"	any and all IPR that are owned by or licensed to the Supplier and which are or have been developed independently of the Contract (whether prior to the Start Date or otherwise)
"Supplier Existing IPR Licence"	means a licence to be offered by the Supplier to the Supplier Existing IPR as set out in Para 1.3 of Schedule 36.
"Supplier Group"	means the Supplier, its Dependent Parent Undertakings and all Subsidiary Undertakings and Associates of such Dependent Parent Undertakings;
"Supplier Non-	where the Supplier has failed to:
Performance"	(a) Achieve a Milestone by its Milestone Date;
	<ul> <li>(b) provide the Goods and/or Services in accordance with the Service Levels ; and/or</li> </ul>
	(c) comply with an obligation under the Contract;

"Supplier Profit"	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 the Contract for the relevant period;
"Supplier Profit Margin"	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;
"Supplier Staff"	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 the Contract;
"Supplier's Confidential Information"	<ul> <li>(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;</li> </ul>
	(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 the Contract;
	Information derived from any of (a) and (b) above;
"Supplier's Contract Manager"	the person identified in the Award Form appointed by the Supplier to oversee the operation of the 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;
"Supply Chain Information Report Template"	the document at Annex 1 of Schedule 18 (Supply Chain Visibility);
"Supporting Documentation"	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 Contract detailed in the information are properly payable;
"Tender Response"	the tender submitted by the Supplier to the Buyer and annexed to or referred to in Schedule 4 (Tender);
"Termination Assistance"	the activities to be performed by the Supplier pursuant to the Exit Plan, and other assistance required by the Buyer pursuant to the Termination Assistance Notice;

"Termination Assistance Notice"	has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 5.1 of Schedule 30 (Exit Management);
"Termination Notice"	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 the Contract on a specified date and setting out the grounds for termination;
"Test Issue"	any variance or non-conformity of the Deliverables or Deliverables from their requirements as set out in the Contract;
"Test Plan"	<ul> <li>a plan:</li> <li>(a) for the Testing of the Deliverables; and</li> <li>(b) setting out other agreed criteria related to the achievement of Milestones;</li> </ul>
"Tests and Testing"	any tests required to be carried out pursuant to the Contract as set out in the Test Plan or elsewhere in the Contract and " <b>Tested</b> " shall be construed accordingly;
"Third Party IPR"	Intellectual Property Rights owned by a third party which is or will be used by the Supplier for the purpose of providing the Deliverables;
"Third Party IPR Licence"	means a licence to the Third Party IPR as set out in Paragraph 1.6 of Schedule 36
"Transparency Information"	<ul> <li>the Transparency Reports and the content of the Contract, including any changes to this Contract agreed from time to time, except for –</li> <li>(a) any information which is exempt from disclosure in accordance with the provisions of the FOIA, which shall be determined by the Purer and</li> </ul>
	<ul><li>determined by the Buyer; and</li><li>(b) Commercially Sensitive Information;</li></ul>
"Transparency Reports"	the information relating to the Deliverables and performance pursuant to the Contract which the Supplier is required to provide to the Buyer in accordance with the reporting requirements in Schedule 6 (Transparency Reports);
"UK GDPR"	Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data (United Kingdom General Data Protection Regulation), as it forms part of the law of England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland by virtue of section 3 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018, together with the Data

	Protection, Privacy and Electronic Communications (Amendments etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019
"Variation"	means a variation to the Contract;
"Variation Form"	the form set out in Schedule 21 (Variation Form);
"Variation Procedure"	the procedure set out in Clause 28 (Changing the contract);
"VAT"	value added tax in accordance with the provisions of the Value Added Tax Act 1994;
"VCSE"	a non-governmental organisation that is value-driven and which principally reinvests its surpluses to further social, environmental or cultural objectives;
"Verification Period"	has the meaning given to it in the table in Annex 2 of Schedule 3 (Charges);
"Work Day"	7.5 Work Hours, whether or not such hours are worked consecutively and whether or not they are worked on the same day;
"Work Hours"	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;
"Worker"	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) (https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-policy- note-0815-tax-arrangements-of-appointees) applies in respect of the Deliverables; and
"Working Day"	any day other than a Saturday or Sunday or public holiday in England and Wales unless specified otherwise by the Parties in the Award Form.

## **Schedule 2 (Specification)**

This Schedule sets out what the Buyer wants.

For all Deliverables, the Supplier must help the Buyer comply with any specific applicable Standards of the Buyer.

The aim of this Requirement is to maintain the total availability of vehicles required for use at the Defence School of Transport (DST Leconfield) to train military personnel under Operation ESCALIN to industry standards on an ongoing basis ("steady state").

## **Background**

These vehicles are primarily to support the training of military personnel.

We would be interested in suppliers' assessment of the feasibility and cost of also building in the option to use the tanker element of this contract (Element 1) as an additional resource for onward rental to third parties following authorisation by HMG, for use in the delivery of petroleum products at locations around Great Britain to mitigate against disruption to fuel supplies.

At all other times, the vehicles will be stored in a secure environment within Great Britain when not in use for training and maintained to legislative, and other relevant standards as required.

## 3. Aims and Objectives

The elements of the contract help support one of HMG's key fuel resilience programmes by training military drivers for deployment under Operation ESCALIN. To fulfil this aim, the contract will have 3 objectives:

- 1. The provision of the elements on a continuous basis for use in training;
- 2. The provision of service and maintenance repair, and breakdown repairs;

3. If required: the provision of these vehicles for onward rental within 72 hours to third parties.

## 4. Outputs Required

Elements:

Element 1: 17 ADR compliant, three seat 44 tonne fuel tanker combinations

o This element provides for a vehicle combination to be based at DST Leconfield and used as part of the year-round training programme. The tanker combinations must be ADR compliant and carry a UK certificate of approval issued by an authorised inspection body (appointed by VCA) in the UK and must also hold a current Safe Loading Pass. The estimated required mileage of the Element 1 vehicles is c.1,200-1,400km per unit, per month. Element 1 vehicles will be Crown Exempt.

o The trailer of each combination will be loaded with a water and antifreeze mixture throughout the training period. Any compartment used must be filled to greater than 80% capacity for dynamic stability. The requirement therefore is for the trailers to be delivered loaded with this mixture. The load is to be distributed in the most stable configuration possible. This shall either be to load each trailer compartment full of the mixture or (if the Supplier advises that weight restrictions prevent this) with the configuration of full (over 80% capacity) and empty compartments which gives greatest stability for driving (i.e., front and rear compartments over axles full, middle compartments empty). No additional fees shall be payable during or subsequent to the contract period (i.e. for service, maintenance or repair) as a result of this use.

Suppliers are also invited to indicate at what additional cost Element 1 vehicles 0 could be maintained and made available - as and when authorised by HMG - for the delivery of petroleum products at locations around Great Britain by military personnel or civilian drivers through onward rental to one or more third parties. including for the loading of petroleum products at oil terminals, and the unloading of petroleum products at retail forecourts. Should Element 1 vehicles be required for onward rental to one or more relevant third parties, arrangements should be in line with normal market arrangements, unless specified otherwise. If used for this purpose the Element 1 vehicles must be of a size able to access and exit sites for the purposes of the delivery of petroleum products as set out above and made available for onward rental from the storage location in a clean, safe, appropriate and well-maintained condition, and meet all necessary legislative and industry requirements for use on Great Britain roads for the delivery of petroleum products, The vehicle combinations will be returned to the site of storage following a rental in a washed and de gassed state with appropriate certification ready for use for training no less than one week following deployment for fuel delivery.

• Element 2: 5 three seat, Category C+E articulated tractor/trailer combinations 'curtainsiders'

o This element provides for a vehicle combination to be based at DST Leconfield and used as part of the year-round training programme, specifically driving instruction in articulated vehicles.

o Sufficient storage space is available at DST Leconfield at no cost to the Supplier. However, the Customer reserves the right to remove this facility if required for other operational or training needs. In this instance, alternative arrangements would be made by mutual agreement and a contract variation.

o The estimated required mileage of the Element 2 vehicles is c.600km per unit, per month. Element 2 vehicles will be Crown Exempt.

• Element 3: 14 three seat articulated vehicle combinations

o This element provides for a vehicle combination to be based at DST Leconfield and used as part of the year-round training programme, specifically driving instruction in articulated vehicles.

o Sufficient storage space is available at DST Leconfield at no cost to the Supplier. However, the Customer reserves the right to remove this facility if required for other operational or training needs. In this instance, alternative arrangements would be made by mutual agreement and a contract variation.

o The estimated required mileage of the Element 3 vehicles is c.800km per unit, per month. Element 3 vehicles will be Crown Exempt.

Vehicles in all three elements shall comply with the current United Kingdom Motor Vehicle (Driver Licensing) Regulations for LGV licence requirements. For the life of the contract, they must comply with the Driver & Vehicle Standards Agency (DVSA) requirements for Category C+E Minimum Test Vehicles and meet with all current Construction and Use Regulations applicable to the vehicle type (see http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/1999/2864/regulation/37/made#text%3Dminimum%20 Test%20vehicles; http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2013/1753/made).

Vehicles must be equipped with engines that meet current European Emissions Standards. The engine shall be of sufficient horsepower to meet all driver training requirements as well as offer optimum fuel efficiency. The mileage of the vehicles currently delivering the function of the Element 3 vehicles is c.1,200km per unit, per month. Element 3 vehicles will be Crown Exempt.

Dual brakes will be required on all Element 1, 2 & 3 vehicles.

Location and Availability:

The vehicles are to be based at DST Leconfield for the period of the contract. Vehicles shall have 100% availability throughout the duration of the contract.

100% availability for Elements 1, 2 and 3 is 07:30 to 18:00 Monday to Friday, and 3.5hrs on a Wednesday, Thursday or Friday night in the hours of darkness (and on occasion 7hrs during the summer period). In the event of a bank holiday Monday, training will start on a Tuesday, therefore the vehicles would be required for use on the following Saturday.

The contract includes the option for the Supplier and the Customer to agree the supply of additional vehicles (of the same type or similar) on the terms offered in the contract, during the contract period, at the discretion of both parties.

Element 1 Vehicle Requirements:

Tractor Requirements:

a. tractor units to be fitted with cabs of equivalent size to Mercedes Actros LS 25-43 (Hi-roof Sleeper cabs);

- b. tractor units to be ADR-compliant for UN Classification 3;
- c. tractor units to be 6x2 axle configuration;
- d. tractor units to be right-hand drive;
- e. tractor units to have automated gearboxes;

f. tractor units to have three seats (positioned for a student driver, student observer and instructor) with a clear view of the road ahead. The third seat must be fitted in such a way as to take into account the three-persons ergonomic considerations. Student driver and instructor seats to be air sprung and parallel/in line with each other. Instructor must have 180° visibility through the side windows by turning his/her head no more than 90°. Seating for the third person must provide full vision of the road ahead whilst reducing bodily contact between instructor and students (bench seats are generally unacceptable; old spec lveco Stralis cabs (with passenger seat against the rear bulkhead) are unacceptable. The third seat must be correctly fitted with a three-point seatbelt and meet all legislative requirements. (For information: the third seat (student observer) in the vehicles currently delivering the function of Element 1 have a seat base fitted that is 142cm (56") from the top of the seat base to the roof lining of the cab, and the front of the front of the seat base (the area behind the knee) is 76cm (30") from the dashboard);

g. tractor units to have vehicle tracker/communications and accident camera fitted for use during training. Tracking equipment should include forward facing driver cameras with audio and recording functions. The Event data recorder from Brigade Electronics Ltd (serial no. EDR-101-008/4505) with SD lock (serial no. EDR-101-LOCK/4517) and second (driver) camera (serial no. EDR-142C/4514) or equivalent would be acceptable;

h. tractor units to be fitted with spray suppression that meet with Construction & Use Regulations;

i. tractors should be new OR tractors up to 12 months old OR tractors where Suppliers can demonstrate the tractor has travelled no more than 75,000km at the start of the contract would be acceptable, provided they meet the necessary standards and requirements.

Trailer Requirements:

a. trailers to comply with ADR Tank Code LGBF (ADR 4.3) and UK carriage regulations;

b. trailers to be 3-axle design;

c. trailers to be fitted with spray suppression that meet with Construction & Use Regulations;

d. trailers to be 42,000 litre;

e. trailers to be multi-compartment;

f. trailers to be equipped with hoses and appropriate ancillary equipment i.e., elephant feet;

g. new trailers OR trailers up to three years old OR trailers where Suppliers can demonstrate the trailer has odometer readings of less than 150,000km at the start of the contract would be acceptable, provided they meet the necessary standards and requirements.

Service Requirement:

a. service to include full service, maintenance and repair;

b. service to include industry and legislative requirements, e.g., ADR, SLP, MOT, for use on UK roads;

c. trailers to be delivered loaded with a sufficient saline solution (or other environmentally friendly anti-freeze solution which is not caught by the UK Carriage of Dangerous Goods regulations) to ensure that the solution does not freeze (see point d below);

d. trailers will be delivered loaded with each compartment to at least 80% capacity of the mixture or (if the supplier advises that weight restrictions prevent this) with the configuration of full and empty compartments which gives greatest stability for driving (i.e. front and rear compartments over axles full, middle compartments empty). No additional fees will be payable during or subsequent to the contract period (i.e., for service, maintenance and repair) as a result of this use;

e. if called on, onward rental to third parties for use in transport of petroleum products in GB. At end of the rental period, the vehicles should be reverted back to their training role (see para 6.7, section ix).

Element 2 Vehicle Requirements:

Tractor requirements:

a. tractor units to be suitable to tow category C+E articulated trailers (see points f and g);

b. tractor units to be right-hand drive;

c. tractors to have 4x2 axle configuration;

d. tractor units to have three seats (positioned for a student driver, student observer and instructor). The third seat must be fitted in such a way as to take into account the three-persons ergonomic considerations. Driver and instructor seat to be parallel/in line with each other. Seating for the third person must provide full vision of the road ahead whilst reducing bodily contact between instructor and students (bench seats are generally unacceptable. The third seat must be correctly fitted with a three-point seatbelt and meet all legislative requirements);

e. tractor units to have automated gearboxes;

f. tractor units to have fixed fifth wheel couplings. The fifth wheel height is to be clearly marked on the tractor. Sliding 5th wheel coupling not fixed. Compatible with other elements.

g. old spec lveco Stralis cabs (with passenger seat against the rear bulkhead) are unacceptable.

h. tractors should be new OR tractors up to 12 months old OR tractors where Suppliers can demonstrate the tractor has travelled no more than 75,000km at the start of the contract would be acceptable, provided they meet the necessary standards and requirements.

Trailer requirements:

a. trailers to be 45ft tri-axle standard size/height (Max 14 ft) taut liners as per haulage industry standard;

b. box-sided or curtain-sided trailers are acceptable, however curtain sided (taut liners) are preferred;

c. trailers should be new OR trailers up to 12 months old OR trailers where Suppliers can demonstrate the tractor has travelled no more than 75,000km at the start of the contract would be acceptable, provided they meet the necessary standards and requirements.

Service Requirement:

- d. service to include full service, maintenance and repair;
- e. service to include industry standard inspection and testing regime;

f. vehicles to be kept in an efficient and roadworthy state throughout the period of the contract.

These five combinations will be Crown exempt.

## Element 3 Vehicle Requirements:

Tractor requirements

a. tractors units to be fitted with cabs of equivalent size to the MAN 18-360TGL (Hiroof Sleeper cabs);

b. tractor units to have 4x2 axle configuration;

c. tractor units to be right-hand drive;

d. tractor units to have three seats (positioned for a student driver, student observer and instructor) with a clear view of the road ahead. The third seat must be fitted in such a way as to take into account the three-persons ergonomic considerations. Student driver and instructor seats to be air sprung and parallel/in line with each other. Instructor must have 180° visibility through the side windows by turning his/her head no more than 90°. Seating for the third person must provide full vision of the road ahead whilst reducing bodily contact between instructor and students (bench seats are generally unacceptable; old spec Iveco Stralis cabs (with passenger seat against the rear bulkhead) are unacceptable). The third seat must be correctly fitted with a three-point seatbelt and meet all legislative requirements.

e. tractor units to have automated gearboxes;

f. tractor units to have vehicle tracker/communications and accident camera fitted for use during training. The Event data recorder from Brigade Electronics Ltd (serial no. EDR-101-008/4505) with SD lock (serial no. EDR-101-LOCK/4517) and second (driver) camera (serial no. EDR-142C/4514) or equivalent would be acceptable;

g. tractor units to have fixed fifth wheel couplings designed to enable a driver training student to uncouple and couple the vehicle and trailer with ease and unaided;

h. tractor units to be fitted with a separate instructor operated foot brake, which can be operated from the instructor's seat;

i. tractor unit to include a tractor/rig identification number on the cab roof;

j. tractor to be of such a design that it reduces as low as is reasonably practical the potential risk of injury through Whole Body Vibration (WBV) and complies with The European Physical Agents (Vibration) Directive,2002/44/EC for the life of the contract;

k. tractors to be fitted with spray suppression that meets with Construction & Use Regulations;

I. tractors should be new OR tractors up to 12 months old OR tractors where Suppliers can demonstrate the tractor has travelled no more than 75,000km at the start of the contract would be acceptable, provided they meet the necessary standards and requirements.

Trailer requirements

a. trailers to be 45ft tri-axle standard size/height (max 14ft) taut liners as per haulage industry standard;

b. trailers to be of a design that limits the noise emitted from the vehicle during normal road use. The body height of each trailer shall be compatible with that of the drawing vehicle;

c. trailers to be fitted with appropriate landing gear;

d. trailers must have the ability to carry a load in order to meet driver testing legislation;

e. trailers must include a weighted load required for driver testing as specified by DVSA:

(http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/1999/2864/regulation/37/made#text%3Dminimum%2 0Test%20vehicles; http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2013/1753/made). Loads to include a sufficient saline solution (or other environmentally friendly anti-freeze solution which is not caught by the UK Carriage of Dangerous Goods regulations) to ensure that the load does not freeze when filled with water. The load (8 x 1 tonne palettes) should be permanently secured to the flatbed within a caged structure (no ratchet straps to be used) and be classified as being part of the vehicle/chassis;

f. trailers to be fitted with spray suppression that meet with Construction & Use Regulations;

g. trailers to be the same colour as the drawing vehicle and be painted in one colour;

h. trailers to be fitted with a unique identification number that shall be consistent with the remainder of the vehicle fleet;

i. trailers to be fitted with speed limit signs that will indicate the maximum permitted speed of the vehicle on UK roads and cyclist beware signs;

j. trailers should be new OR trailers up to 12 months old OR trailers where Suppliers can demonstrate the tractor has travelled no more than 75,000km at the start of the contract would be acceptable, provided they meet the necessary standards and requirements.

Service Requirement:

a. service to include full service, maintenance and repair;

b. service to include industry standard inspection and testing regime;

c. vehicles to be kept in an efficient and roadworthy state throughout the period of the contract.

Service Requirements:

Please outline how you intend to fulfil this function to ensure that repairs and maintenance are consistently of the highest standard and are completed in a timely fashion. BEIS would prefer for this service function to be fulfilled in-house to ensure quality, timeliness, and responsiveness are as enhanced as possible. However, this is not a requirement.

Additional Requirements for all Elements:

Mirror Shield Protection (Kuda Vision PDF)

Instructor Speedometer (MOD Phone and GPS PDF)

5. Ownership and Publication

The vehicles would be owned by the supplier and leased by BEIS.

6. Quality Assurance

Bidders must set out their approach to quality assurance in their response to this ITT along with examples of how they have quality assured previous similar projects and details of who will sign off outputs, and their role within the contractor's organisation.

Key Performance Indicators will be discussed and agreed with the supplier. As an indication, we would expect KPIs to cover the availability of the fleet, the responsiveness to repairs and breakdowns, and reports on servicing.

## 7. Timetable

All elements of the requirement will have to be provided on a continuous basis. The provision of repairs will need to be fulfilled as required, and the maintenance schedule should operate on at least a 13 week cycle.

8. Challenges

Due to the specific nature of this requirement and to ensure security of all vehicles all maintenance and storage work must be carried out within Great Britain unless agreed with BEIS.

## 9. Working Arrangements

The successful contractor will be expected to identify one named point of contract through whom all enquiries can be filtered. A BEIS Project Manager will be assigned to the project and will be the central point of contact.

## 10. Data Protection

The Contractor will be compliant with the Data Protection Legislation, as defined in the terms and conditions applying to this Invitation to Tender. A guide to The General Data Protection Regulation published by the Information Commissioner's Office can be found here.

#### 11. Skills and experience

BEIS would like you to demonstrate that you have the experience and capabilities to undertake the project. Your tender response should include a summary of each proposed team members experience and capabilities.

Contractors should propose named members of the project team, and include the tasks and responsibilities of each team member. This should be clearly linked to the work programme, indicating the grade/ seniority of staff and number of days allocated to specific tasks.

Contractors should identify the individual(s) who will be responsible for managing the project.

## 12. Consortium Bids

In the case of a consortium tender, only one submission covering all of the partners is required but consortia are advised to make clear the proposed role that each partner will play in performing the contract as per the requirements of the technical specification. We expect the bidder to indicate who in the consortium will be the lead contact for this project, and the organisation and governance associated with the consortia.

Contractors must provide details as to how they will manage any sub-contractors and what percentage of the tendered activity (in terms of monetary value) will be sub-contracted.

If a consortium is not proposing to form a corporate entity, full details of alternative proposed arrangements should be provided in the Annex. However, please note the Department reserves the right to require a successful consortium to form a single legal entity in accordance with Regulation 19 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015

The Department recognises that arrangements in relation to consortia may (within limits) be subject to future change. Potential Providers should therefore respond in the light of the arrangements as currently envisaged. Potential Providers are reminded that

any future proposed change in relation to consortia must be notified to the Department so that it can make a further assessment by applying the selection criteria to the new information provided.

## 13. Cost

The expected budget for this project for the 36 months is £3.8m - £3.9m excl VAT. The expected price received is expected to be within this budget however if this is not possible provide your price proposal in Jaggaer. The price should also remain fixed for the two 12-month extensions.

Contractors should provide a full and detailed breakdown of costs (including options where appropriate). This should include staff (and day rate) allocated to specific tasks.

Cost will be a criterion against which bids which will be assessed.

Payments will be based on a standard monthly rate for the leasing of the vehicles, which will remain standard throughout the life of the contract. Costs for repairs will be processed on an ad-hoc basis, and BEIS will confirm the necessity, cost, and nature of the repair with officials at DST Leconfield. The supplier should accordingly liaise with DST Leconfield colleagues regarding any repairs.

In submitting full tenders, contractors confirm in writing that the price offered will be held for a minimum of 60 calendar days from the date of submission. Any payment conditions applicable to the prime contractor must also be replicated with subcontractors.

The Department aims to pay all correctly submitted invoices as soon as possible with a target of 10 days from the date of receipt and within 30 days at the latest in line with standard terms and conditions of contract.

## 14. Social Value

As of 1st January 2021, the Social Value Model is applied to all procurements. The Social Value Model can be found here:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachmen t\_data/file/921437/PPN-06\_20-Taking-Account-of-Social-Value-in-the-Award-of-Central-Government-Contracts.pdf The Social Value questions require the Supplier to demonstrate what they will do to meet the Social Value Criteria within this contract rather than their company policy. The Social Value criteria that will be assessed during this procurement are:

• Tackling Economic Inequality – Creating new businesses, new jobs and new skills. MAC2.1: Create opportunities for entrepreneurship and help new organisations to grow, supporting economic growth and business creation.

• Fighting Climate Change – Effective stewardship of the environment including how you would assist BEIS in reaching their Net Zero target. MAC 4.1 Deliver additional environmental benefits in the performance of the contract including working towards net zero greenhouse gas emissions.

# Schedule 3 (Charges)

## 1. DEFINITIONS

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

"Anticipated Contract Life Profit Margin"	the anticipated Supplier Profit Margin over the Contract Period;
"Maximum Permitted Profit	means the Anticipated Contract Life Profit Margin plus 5%;

## 2. HOW CHARGES ARE CALCULATED

2.1 The Charges:

Margin"

- 2.1.1 shall be calculated in accordance with the terms of this Schedule;
- 2.1.2 Cannot be increased except as specifically permitted by this Schedule and in particular shall only be subject to Indexation where specifically stated in the Award Form; and]
- 2.2 Any variation to the Charges payable under a Contract must be agreed between the Supplier and the Buyer and implemented using the procedure set out in this Schedule.

## 3. THE PRICING MECHANISMS

3.1 The pricing mechanisms and prices set out in Annex 1 shall be available for use in calculation of Charges in the Contract.

## 4. ARE COSTS AND EXPENSES INCLUDED IN THE CHARGES

- 4.1 Except as expressly set out in Paragraph 5 below, or otherwise stated in the Award Form] the Charges shall include all costs and expenses relating to the provision of Deliverables. No further amounts shall be payable in respect of matters such as:
  - 4.1.1 incidental expenses such as travel, subsistence and lodging, document or report reproduction, shipping, desktop or office equipment costs, network or data interchange costs or other telecommunications charges; or
  - 4.1.2 costs incurred prior to the commencement of the Contract.

## 5. WHEN THE SUPPLIER CAN ASK TO CHANGE THE CHARGES

- 5.1 The Charges will be fixed for the first **two** years following the Start Date (the date of expiry of such period is a "**Review Date**"). After this Charges can only be adjusted on each following yearly anniversary (the date of each such anniversary is also a "**Review Date**").
- 5.2 The Supplier shall give the Buyer at least three (3) Months' notice in writing prior to a Review Date where it wants to request an increase. If the Supplier does not give notice in time then it will only be able to request an increase prior to the next Review Date.
- 5.3 Any notice requesting an increase shall include:
  - 5.3.1 a list of the Charges to be reviewed;
  - 5.3.2 for each of the Charges under review, written evidence of the justification for the requested increase including:
    - a) [a breakdown of the profit and cost components that comprise the relevant part of the Charges; ]
    - b) [details of the movement in the different identified cost components of the relevant Charge;]
    - c) [reasons for the movement in the different identified cost components of the relevant Charge;]
    - d) [evidence that the Supplier has attempted to mitigate against the increase in the relevant cost components; and]
    - e) [evidence that the Supplier's profit component of the relevant Charge is no greater than that applying to Charges using the same pricing mechanism as at the Start Date.]
- 5.4 The Buyer shall consider each request for a price increase. The Buyer may grant Approval to an increase at its sole discretion.
- 5.5 [Any Approval granted by the Buyer pursuant to Paragraph 5.4 shall be on the condition that the change to the Charges will not result in the Supplier Profit Margin exceeding the Maximum Permitted Profit Margin.]
- 5.6 Where the Buyer approves an increase then it will be implemented from the first (1st) Working Day following the relevant Review Date or such later date as the Buyer may determine at its sole discretion and Annex 1 shall be updated accordingly.

## 6. OTHER EVENTS THAT ALLOW THE SUPPLIER TO CHANGE THE CHARGES

- 6.1 The Charges can also be varied (and Annex 1 will be updated accordingly) due to:
  - 6.1.1 a Specific Change in Law in accordance with Clauses 28.6 to 28.8;
  - 6.1.2 a request from the Supplier, which it can make at any time, to decrease the Charges;

# Annex 1: Rates and Prices

## Schedule 4 (Tender)

Supplier	Dawsongroup plc
Supplier Evaluation	Accepted
Acceptance or Rejection Notes	
Section Name	2.1 Delivery

Question	Description		
	Ability to deliver the vehicles to DST Leconfield by 30 September 2023.		
2.1.1 Ability to deliver	Please provide details on whether or not you have the correct number		
	vehicles with appropriate modifications at this point in time, or you pla		
	to order these vehicles. Please detail your proposed timeframe for any		

#### Response

As the incumbent supplier, Dawsongroup | truck and trailer (DGTT) are uniquely placed to guarante continuity of supply as we have the correct number of vehicles with appropriate modifications at thi point in time on the current contract.

Some of the vehicles will fall outside the 75,000km criteria by 30 September 2023, and so therefore w plan to retain / order new vehicles as follows to ensure seamless continuation of service and support at the best possible price point.

## Element 1

The existing tractor unit fleet meets all specification requirements but falls outside of the 75,000km requirement. We would retain in situ on a temporary basis and replace with new MAN TGX tractor un that meet all of the required specifications. Delivery of the new MAN tractor units are anticipated to be Q1 2024. There will be no break in service or supply.

Full specification is detailed in Appendix 1

The tanker trailer fleet would continue to be supplied by TIP Tankers Ltd as nominated sub-contracted to DGTT. New tanker trailers will be supplied by TIP prior to expiry of the existing contract so would be in place by 30th September 2023. There will be no break in supply or service.

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#### Response

The new Iveco units are already on order as part of DGTT's ongoing prospective pipeline order and would be upgraded to full Escalin specification prior to delivery. Delivery to the contract is anticipate late 2023. There will be no break in supply or service.

Full specification is detailed in Appendix 2

#### Element 3

The existing fleet has covered nominal mileage only and meets all specification requirements so we would retain in situ.

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Question Description			
2.1.2 Delivery	Please outline your plans to deliver the correct number of vehicles with		
	annronriate modifications by the start date of the contract		
	Response		
As the incumbent supplier, I	DGTT would retain the existing fleet in situ on the start date of the contra		
so there would be no break	in supply or service whilst new vehicles for Elements 1 and 2 are delivere		
	into service.		
The existing fleet for Eleme	ent 1 and 3 was delivered new at the start of the current contract and has		
been maintained to the l	highest standards while covering minimal mileage. This makes the fleet		
perfectly suited to a period	of further hire, either as lead-in to new vehicles as in the case of Element		
and 2, or f	for a further full contract period in the case of Element 3.		
Our local branch teams will	co-ordinate the delivery and handover of the new vehicles covering all th		
vehicle's	controls and functions, daily checks and top-up points.		
The lead time for t	he new vehicles modified to full Escalin specification is as follows:		
Element 1 – Delivery of new	MAN tractor units to the contract is anticipated to be Q1 2024. New tanke		
trailers will be supplied by	y TIP prior to expiry of the existing contract so would be in place by 30th		
	September 2023.		
MAN units have been cho	sen because of the proximity of North East Truck and Van who are MAN		
agents and are already prov	viding significant support to the DST training fleet also based at Leconfield		
Element 2 - Delivery to the	contract is anticipated to be late 2023. The new Iveco units are already or		
order as part of our ong	going prospective pipeline order and would be upgraded to full Escalin		
Section Name	2.2 Track Record		
Question	Description		
2.2.1 Similar Contracts	Please provide an outline and description of other similar contracts you		
	have fulfilled within the LIK		

Response

Dawsongroup | truck and trailer (DGTT) has been established since 1995 and is part of Dawsongrou plc, the UK's largest privately owned asset management business. We are a leading provider of commercial vehicle contract hire services to both the public and private sector with a fleet of over 12,000 wheeled assets under our management. A verifiable demonstration of our track record in the successful fulfilment of similar contracts within the UK is our history of contract growth at DST Leconfield since 2014. Our initial involvement was as a subcontractor providing the Element 1 fleet for the first incarnation of the current Escalin operation. At the time the incumbent suppliers were unab

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#### Response

supply the MOD driver training vehicle fleet, also at DST Leconfield. After a successful roll out we hav continued to meet all service level expectations.DGTT are therefore able to use our extensive and relevant experience in managing driver training fleets to co-ordinate effective delivery of this contrausing established and proven processes.Our success in the automotive sector is another relevant illustration of our capabilities. Automotive production lines are supplied on a 'just in time' basis with an absolute requirement that the production line cannot stop. We are responsible for over 500 trailer operating in support of the Jaguar Landrover production facility in the Midlands, a contract we have successfully fulfilled since 2008 through detailed, thoroughly developed management and contract

Question	Description
2.2.2 Co-ordination	Please provide details on how you would co-ordinate the delivery of thi contract. Within your response please include the location of the office relevant staff details and how you plan to ensure and maintain a high
	Response

DGTT understand that the successful delivery of a contract such as this requires a different approach than that of a more conventional operation and as such we would continue to support the Escalin fle using the proven methodology already established and embedded into our Leconfield operational support plan. This comprises an on-site operations office staffed by two full time Dawsongroup employees in the roles of Fleet Supervisor and driver. We believe it is essential to have a permanent on-site management presence to ensure the required level of communication and immediacy of response. The on-site operations office is further supported and overseen by our fully staffed renta branch at Knottingley. We have recently invested in an additional location in Hull which will further strengthen our resource and support resilience in the Leconfield area. The branch function is oversee and supported by our experienced Head Office team. Overall responsibility for contract performance and delivery will sit at director level, headed up by our Contracts Director reporting to the Managing Director.A full named organisation chart detailing roles, experience and functions is detailed in Appendix 5Every member of the account management team is fully conversant with the Leconfield site, having visited and seen first-hand the operation.An integral part of the quality assurance methodology used to manage the fleet is the use of KPIs to ensure ongoing compliance with

## Section Name

Question

2.3.1 Capability

Please describe your maintenance and repair capabilities in detail,

Description

2.3 Maintenance and Repair

Response

As the incumbent supplier, Dawsongroup | truck and trailer (DGTT) would continue to provide maintenance and repair support utilising our proven existing and established service agents. Element 1 is certified to ADR FL category so requires specialist care and attention. This is provided by Rix Truck Services in Hull who have been long term support partners in the maintenance of the Escal fleet including the maintenance of the TIP tanker trailers. As well as being one of the area's most capable specialist ADR service and repair facilities they also operate their own fleet of 60 fuel tankers Element 2 and 3 is serviced and maintained by North East Truck and Van (NETV) in Hull who are also responsible for the repair and maintenance of another DGTT Leconfield based fleet used to support

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## Response

First line on-site maintenance support will be provided via the on-site Fleet Supervisor specifically employed by DGTT. They will act as a first point of contact and will be on-site every day (Monday-Friday) between 07:30 to 17:00.

Should for any reason the Fleet Supervisor be unavailable to oversee a maintenance support issue, or additional support is required, we will provide a daytime assistance number to our fully staffed rentables branch at Knottingley.

In addition to the contract specific maintenance and breakdown support regime, Dawsongroup operates its own 365/24/7 national breakdown support service via a dedicated 0800 free phone

Question	Description
2.3.2 Vehicle Service	Please describe how you would fulfil the requirements to service the
	vahicles at a minimum of 12-wk cycles and conduct renairs as necessar
	Response

The maintenance schedule is held and managed by our on-site Fleet Supervisor who works from a fu equipped operations office within DST Leconfield. All paperwork and support documents are held or site. Through this facility we produce an annual forward plan of all scheduled maintenance events which is implemented and reviewed on a daily basis via direct on-site discussion and involvement or the Escalin operations team. This ensures that all parties are fully appraised and co-ordinated at all times with vehicles serviced at a minimum of 13-wk cycles.

The Element 1 tractor unit and trailer combinations are serviced as complete rigs in Rix Truck Service state-of-the-art modern workshops. The movement to and from service is taken care of by our own on-site staff who interface seamlessly with the operational demands of the Escalin team. This fully encompassing service includes all ADR legislative and certification requirements.

The Element 2 and 3 service scheduling and delivery is again co-ordinated by our on-site Fleet Supervisor who ensures all relevant parties are fully aware and aligned at all times. Movement to an

from service is organised and carried out by our own team with the assistance of NETV. The volume of fleet we have located at Leconfield has allowed us to leverage significant levels of support from our service partners. NETV provide an onsite snag clinic twice a day, first thing in the morning and then again later in the afternoon. The coordination of defect rectification is managed b

Section Name	2.4 Social Value
Question	Description
2.4.1 Tackling Economic Inequality	Please describe how your organisation fulfils Model Award Criteria (MA 3.3: Supporting the development of scalable and future-proofed new
	Response

As the incumbent supplier, Dawsongroup | truck and trailer (DGTT) will continue to tackle economic inequality. DGTT employ two full time staff based at the Leconfield site in the roles of Fleet Superviso and driver. This permanent on-site management presence ensures the required level of communication and immediacy of response as part of our Leconfield operational support plan, developed to increase resilience/capacity and productivity. To further increase resilience/capacity th on-site operations office is supported and overseen by our rental branch at Knottingley which has fiv staff. Due to the business DGTT has in the area and in particular the two Leconfield site contracts, we have recently invested in an additional location in Hull which will further strengthen our resource an

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#### Response

Burma Drive on Marfleet Industrial Estate, close to the main A1033. This is a significant investment for DGTT with an initial 3 year lease taken on the site and provision for 5 staff to be employed there, helping to tackle economic inequality and supporting the continued development of our scalable an future-proofed strategically located UK branch network. As well as creating local employment opportunities DGTT are an accredited living wage employer meaning we ensure our employees earn wage that meets the costs of living not just the government minimum. In addition DGTT continue to support local Hull based businesses including our chosen vehicle maintenance suppliers for the

#### Question

2.4.2 Fighting Climate Change

#### Description

Please describe how you would fulfil MAC 4.1 - Delivering additional environmental benefits in the performance of the contract including working towards net zero greenhouse gas emissions.

#### Response

DGTT have recently published our Carbon Reduction Plan which can be viewed at:

https://www.dgtt.co.uk/contentfiles/Carbon%20Reduction%20Plan.pdf

In order to continue our progress towards achieving Net Zero, we are moving ahead with plans to reduce our

carbon footprint as fast as possible and are adopting the following carbon reduction targets:

- Net Zero by 2040 for emissions we directly control
- 2 Net zero by 2050 for emissions we can externally influence

We recognise our responsibility to help our customers manage their businesses in a sustainable way by ensuring that most of our vehicle fleet is either Euro 6 compliant or hybrid, gas or electricity powered and is well maintained.

Dawsongroup has always taken a leading role in the advancement of technology working in close partnership with manufacturers and independent organisations to develop, trial and ultimately adopt emerging technologic advances into our fleet. These have largely focused on safety, efficiency and sustainability - each product carefu evaluated on the basis that it can benefit our customers or the wider community in a sustainable and commercially viable way.

Whilst the current Escalin requirements don't lend themselves to alternative fuels the cleanest diesel engines a being operated. We would continue to review options to reduce carbon on the contract and discuss emerging opportunities with BEIS including both fleet and onsite facilities. We view Element 3 as a potential candidate for

## Schedule 5 (Commercially Sensitive Information)

## 2. WHAT IS THE COMMERCIALLY SENSITIVE INFORMATION?

- 2.1 In this Schedule the Parties have sought to identify the Supplier's Confidential Information that is genuinely commercially sensitive and the disclosure of which would be the subject of an exemption under the FOIA and the EIRs.
- 2.2 Where possible, the Parties have sought to identify when any relevant Information will cease to fall into the category of Information to which this Schedule applies in the table below and in the Award Form (which shall be deemed incorporated into the table below).
- 2.3 Without prejudice to the Buyer's obligation to disclose Information in accordance with FOIA or Clause 20 (When you can share information), the Buyer will, in its sole discretion, acting reasonably, seek to apply the relevant exemption set out in the FOIA to the following Information:

No.	Date	ltem(s)	Duration of Confidentiality
1	03/05/2023	Prices, commercial information and personal information	indefinitely

# Schedule 6 (Transparency Reports)

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

# Annex A: List of Transparency Reports

Title	Content	Format	Frequency
[Performance]	tbc	Tbc	Tbc
[Charges]	Tbc	Tbc	Tbc
[Key Subcontractors]	Tbc	Tbc	Tbc
[Technical]	Tbc	Tbc	Tbc
[Performance management]	Tbc	Tbc	tbc

## Schedule 8 (Implementation Plan and Testing)

## **Part A - Implementation**

## 1. DEFINITIONS

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

"Delay"	(a)	a delay in the Achievement of a Milestone by its Milestone Date; or
	(b)	a delay in the design, development, testing or implementation of a Deliverable by the relevant date set out in the Implementation Plan;
"Deliverable Item"	an item or feature in the supply of the Deliverables delivered or to be delivered by the Supplier at or before a Milestone Date listed in the Implementation Plan;	
"Implementation Period"	has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 7.1;	
"Milestone Payment"	a payment identified in the Implementation Plan to be made following the issue of a Satisfaction Certificate in respect of Achievement of the relevant Milestone;	

## 2. AGREEING AND FOLLOWING THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

- 2.1 A draft of the Implementation Plan is set out in the Annex to this Schedule. The Supplier shall provide a further draft Implementation Plan 30 days after the Start Date.
- 2.2 The draft Implementation Plan:
  - 2.2.1 must contain information at the level of detail necessary to manage the implementation stage effectively and as the Buyer may otherwise require; and
  - 2.2.2 it shall take account of all dependencies known to, or which should reasonably be known to, the Supplier.
- 2.3 Following receipt of the draft Implementation Plan from the Supplier, the Parties shall use reasonable endeavours to agree the contents of the Implementation Plan. If the Parties are unable to agree the contents of the Implementation Plan within twenty (20) Working Days of its submission, then such Dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure.

- 2.4 The Supplier shall provide each of the Deliverable Items identified in the Implementation Plan by the date assigned to that Deliverable Item in the Implementation Plan so as to ensure that each Milestone identified in the Implementation Plan is Achieved on or before its Milestone Date.
- 2.5 The Supplier shall monitor its performance against the Implementation Plan and Milestones (if any) and report to the Buyer on such performance.

#### 3. REVIEWING AND CHANGING THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

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

#### 4. SECURITY REQUIREMENTS BEFORE THE START DATE

- 4.1 The Supplier shall note that it is incumbent upon them to understand the lead-in period for security clearances and ensure that all Supplier Staff have the necessary security clearance in place before the Start Date. The Supplier shall ensure that this is reflected in their Implementation Plan.
- 4.2 The Supplier shall ensure that all Supplier Staff and Subcontractors do not access the Buyer's IT systems, or any IT systems linked to the Buyer, unless they have satisfied the Buyer's security requirements.
- 4.3 The Supplier shall be responsible for providing all necessary information to the Buyer to facilitate security clearances for Supplier Staff and Subcontractors in accordance with the Buyer's requirements.
- 4.4 The Supplier shall provide the names of all Supplier Staff and Subcontractors and inform the Buyer of any alterations and additions as they take place throughout the Contract Period.
- 4.5 The Supplier shall ensure that all Supplier Staff and Subcontractors requiring access to the Buyer Premises have the appropriate security clearance. It is the Supplier's responsibility to establish whether or not the level of clearance will be sufficient for access. Unless prior approval has been received from the Buyer, the Supplier shall be responsible for meeting the costs associated with the provision of security cleared escort services.
- 4.6 If a property requires Supplier Staff or Subcontractors to be accompanied by the Buyer's Authorised Representative, the Buyer must be given reasonable notice of such a requirement, except in the case of emergency access.

#### 5. WHAT TO DO IF THERE IS A DELAY

- 5.1 If the Supplier becomes aware that there is, or there is reasonably likely to be, a Delay under this Contract it shall:
  - 5.1.1 notify the Buyer as soon as practically possible and no later than within two (2) Working Days from becoming aware of the Delay or anticipated Delay;

- 5.1.2 include in its notification an explanation of the actual or anticipated impact of the Delay;
- 5.1.3 comply with the Buyer's instructions in order to address the impact of the Delay or anticipated Delay; and
- 5.1.4 use all reasonable endeavours to eliminate or mitigate the consequences of any Delay or anticipated Delay.

#### 6. COMPENSATION FOR A DELAY

- 6.1 If Delay Payments have been included in the Implementation Plan and a Milestone has not been achieved by the relevant Milestone Date, the Supplier shall pay to the Buyer such Delay Payments (calculated as set out by the Buyer in the Implementation Plan) and the following provisions shall apply:
  - 6.1.1 the Supplier acknowledges and agrees that any Delay Payment is a price adjustment and not an estimate of the Loss that may be suffered by the Buyer as a result of the Supplier's failure to Achieve the corresponding Milestone;
  - 6.1.2 Delay Payments shall be the Buyer's exclusive financial remedy for the Supplier's failure to Achieve a Milestone by its Milestone Date except where:
    - a) the Buyer is also entitled to or does terminate this Contract pursuant to Clause 14.4 (When the Buyer can end the contract); or
    - b) the delay exceeds the number of days (the "**Delay Period Limit**") specified in the Implementation Plan commencing on the relevant Milestone Date;
  - 6.1.3 the Delay Payments will accrue on a daily basis from the relevant Milestone Date until the date when the Milestone is Achieved;
  - 6.1.4 no payment or other act or omission of the Buyer shall in any way affect the rights of the Buyer to recover the Delay Payments or be deemed to be a waiver of the right of the Buyer to recover any such damages; and
  - 6.1.5 Delay Payments shall not be subject to or count towards any limitation on liability set out in Clause 15 (How much you can be held responsible for).

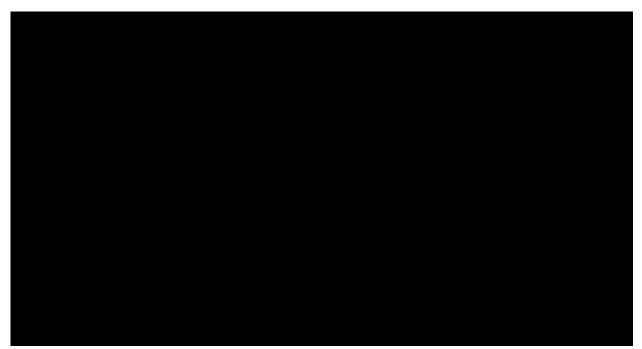
#### 7. IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

- 7.1 The Implementation Period will be a six (6) Month period.
- 7.2 During the Implementation Period, the incumbent supplier shall retain full responsibility for all existing services until the Start Date or as otherwise formally agreed with the Buyer. The Supplier's full service obligations shall formally be assumed on the Start Date as set out in Award Form.
- 7.3 In accordance with the Implementation Plan, the Supplier shall:
  - 7.3.1 work cooperatively and in partnership with the Buyer and incumbent supplier, where applicable, to understand the scope of Services to ensure a mutually beneficial handover of the Services;
  - 7.3.2 work with the incumbent supplier and Buyer to assess the scope of the Services and prepare a plan which demonstrates how they will mobilise the Services;
  - 7.3.3 liaise with the incumbent supplier to enable the full completion of the Implementation Period activities; and

- 7.3.4 produce an Implementation Plan, to be agreed by the Buyer, for carrying out the requirements within the Implementation Period including, key Milestones and dependencies.
- 7.4 The Implementation Plan will include detail stating:
  - 7.4.1 how the Supplier will work with the incumbent supplier and the Buyer Authorised Representative to capture and load up information such as asset data; and
  - 7.4.2 a communications plan, to be produced and implemented by the Supplier, but to be agreed with the Buyer, including the frequency, responsibility for and nature of communication with the Buyer and end users of the Services.
- 7.5 In addition, the Supplier shall:
  - 7.5.1 appoint a Supplier Authorised Representative who shall be responsible for the management of the Implementation Period, to ensure that the Implementation Period is planned and resourced adequately, and who will act as a point of contact for the Buyer;
  - 7.5.2 mobilise all the Services specified in the Specification within the Contract;
  - 7.5.3 produce an Implementation Plan report for each Buyer Premises to encompass programmes that will fulfil all the Buyer's obligations to landlords and other tenants:
    - a) the format of reports and programmes shall be in accordance with the Buyer's requirements and particular attention shall be paid to establishing the operating requirements of the occupiers when preparing these programmes which are subject to the Buyer's approval; and
    - b) the Parties shall use reasonable endeavours to agree the contents of the report but if the Parties are unable to agree the contents within twenty (20) Working Days of its submission by the Supplier to the Buyer, then such Dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure.
  - 7.5.4 manage and report progress against the Implementation Plan;
  - 7.5.5 construct and maintain an Implementation risk and issue register in conjunction with the Buyer detailing how risks and issues will be effectively communicated to the Buyer in order to mitigate them;
  - 7.5.6 attend progress meetings (frequency of such meetings shall be as set out in the Award Form) in accordance with the Buyer's requirements during the Implementation Period. Implementation meetings shall be chaired by the Buyer and all meeting minutes shall be kept and published by the Supplier; and
  - 7.5.7 ensure that all risks associated with the Implementation Period are minimised to ensure a seamless change of control between incumbent supplier and the Supplier.]

## **Annex 1: Implementation Plan**

The Implementation Plan is set out below and the Milestones to be Achieved are identified below:



## Part B - Testing

## 1. **DEFINITIONS**

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

"Component"	any constituent parts of the Deliverables;
"Material Test Issue"	a Test Issue of Severity Level 1 or Severity Level 2;
"Satisfaction Certificate"	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;
"Severity Level"	the level of severity of a Test Issue, the criteria for which are described in Annex 1;
"Test Issue Management Log"	a log for the recording of Test Issues as described further in Paragraph 8.1 of this Schedule;
"Test Issue Threshold"	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;
"Test Reports"	the reports to be produced by the Supplier setting out the results of Tests;
"Test Specification"	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;
"Test Strategy"	a strategy for the conduct of Testing as described further in Paragraph 3.2 of this Schedule;

"Test Success Criteria"	in relation to a Test, the test success criteria for that Test as referred to in Paragraph 5 of this Schedule;
"Test Witness"	any person appointed by the Buyer pursuant to Paragraph 9 of this Schedule; and
"Testing Procedures"	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**

## 1. SEVERITY 1 ERROR

1.1 This is an error that causes non-recoverable conditions, e.g. it is not possible to continue using a Component.

#### 2. SEVERITY 2 ERROR

- 2.1 This is an error for which, as reasonably determined by the Buyer, there is no practicable workaround available, and which:
  - 2.1.1 causes a Component to become unusable;
  - 2.1.2 causes a lack of functionality, or unexpected functionality, that has an impact on the current Test; or
  - 2.1.3 has an adverse impact on any other Component(s) or any other area of the Deliverables.

#### 3. SEVERITY 3 ERROR

- 3.1 This is an error which:
  - 3.1.1 causes a Component to become unusable;
  - 3.1.2 causes a lack of functionality, or unexpected functionality, but which does not impact on the current Test; or
  - 3.1.3 has an impact on any other Component(s) or any other area of the Deliverables;

but for which, as reasonably determined by the Buyer, there is a practicable workaround available;

#### 4. SEVERITY 4 ERROR

4.1 This is an error which causes incorrect functionality of a Component or process, but for which there is a simple, Component based, workaround, and which has no impact on the current Test, or other areas of the Deliverables.

#### 5. SEVERITY 5 ERROR

5.1 This is an error that causes a minor problem, for which no workaround is required, and which has no impact on the current Test, or other areas of the Deliverables.

## **Annex 2: Satisfaction Certificate**

To: [insert name of Supplier]

From: [insert name of Buyer]

[insert Date dd/mm/yyyy]

Dear Sirs,

## **Satisfaction Certificate**

Deliverable/Milestone(s): [Insert relevant description of the agreed Deliverables/Milestones].

We refer to the agreement ("**Contract**") [insert Contract reference number] relating to the provision of the [insert description of the Deliverables] between the [*insert Buyer name*] ("**Buyer**") and [*insert Supplier name*] ("**Supplier**") dated [*insert Start Date dd/mm/yyyy*].

The definitions for any capitalised terms in this certificate are as set out in the Contract.

[We confirm that all the Deliverables relating to [insert relevant description of Deliverables/agreed Milestones and/or reference number(s) from the Implementation Plan] have been tested successfully in accordance with the Test Plan [or that a conditional Satisfaction Certificate has been issued in respect of those Deliverables that have not satisfied the relevant Test Success Criteria].

[OR]

[This Satisfaction Certificate is granted on the condition that any Test Issues are remedied in accordance with the Rectification Plan attached to this certificate.]

[You may now issue an invoice in respect of the Milestone Payment associated with this Milestone in accordance with Clause 4 (Pricing and payments)].

Yours faithfully [insert Name] [insert Position] acting on behalf of [insert name of Buyer]

# Schedule 10 (Service Levels)

## 3. **DEFINITIONS**

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

"Critical Service Level Failure"	has the meaning given to it in the Award Form;
"Service Credits"	any service credits specified in the Annex to Part A of this Schedule being payable by the Supplier to the Buyer in respect of any failure by the Supplier to meet one or more Service Levels;
"Service Credit Cap"	has the meaning given to it in the Award Form;
"Service Level Failure"	means a failure to meet the Service Level Performance Measure in respect of a Service Level;
"Service Level Performance Measure"	shall be as set out against the relevant Service Level in the Annex to Part A of this Schedule; and
"Service Level Threshold"	shall be as set out against the relevant Service Level in the Annex to Part A of this Schedule.

- 4. WHAT HAPPENS IF YOU DON'T MEET THE SERVICE LEVELS
  - 4.1 The Supplier shall at all times provide the Deliverables to meet or exceed the Service Level Performance Measure for each Service Level.
  - 4.2 The Supplier acknowledges that any Service Level Failure shall entitle the Buyer to the rights set out in Part A of this Schedule including the right to any Service Credits and that any Service Credit is a price adjustment and not an estimate of the Loss that may be suffered by the Buyer as a result of the Supplier's failure to meet any Service Level Performance Measure.
  - 4.3 The Supplier shall send Performance Monitoring Reports to the Buyer detailing the level of service which was achieved in accordance with the provisions of Part B (Performance Monitoring) of this Schedule.
  - 4.4 A Service Credit shall be the Buyer's exclusive financial remedy for a Service Level Failure except where:
    - 4.4.1 the Supplier has over the previous (twelve) 12 Month period exceeded the Service Credit Cap; and/or
    - 4.4.2 the Service Level Failure:
      - (a) exceeds the relevant Service Level Threshold;
      - (b) has arisen due to a Prohibited Act or wilful Default by the Supplier;
      - (c) results in the corruption or loss of any Government Data; and/or
      - (d) results in the Buyer being required to make a compensation payment to one or more third parties; and/or

- 4.4.3 the Buyer is also entitled to or does terminate this Contract pursuant to Clause 14.4 of the Core Terms (When the Buyer can end the contract).
- 4.5 Not more than once in each Contract Year, the Buyer may, on giving the Supplier at least three (3) Months' notice, change the weighting of Service Level Performance Measure in respect of one or more Service Levels and the Supplier shall not be entitled to object to, or increase the Charges as a result of such changes, provided that:
  - 4.5.1 the total number of Service Levels for which the weighting is to be changed does not exceed the number applicable as at the Start Date;
  - 4.5.2 the principal purpose of the change is to reflect changes in the Buyer's business requirements and/or priorities or to reflect changing industry standards; and
  - 4.5.3 there is no change to the Service Credit Cap.

#### 5. CRITICAL SERVICE LEVEL FAILURE

On the occurrence of a Critical Service Level Failure:

- 5.1 any Service Credits that would otherwise have accrued during the relevant Service Period shall not accrue; and
- 5.2 the Buyer shall (subject to the Service Credit Cap) be entitled to withhold and retain as compensation a sum equal to any Charges which would otherwise have been due to the Supplier in respect of that Service Period ("Compensation for Critical Service Level Failure"),

provided that the operation of this Paragraph 5 shall be without prejudice to the right of the Buyer to terminate this Contract and/or to claim damages from the Supplier for material Default.

# Part A: Service Levels and Service Credits

## 6. SERVICE LEVELS

If the level of performance of the Supplier:

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

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

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

#### 7. SERVICE CREDITS

- 7.1 The Buyer shall use the Performance Monitoring Reports supplied by the Supplier to verify the calculation and accuracy of the Service Credits, if any, applicable to each Service Period.
- 7.2 Service Credits are a reduction of the amounts payable in respect of the Deliverables and do not include VAT. The Supplier shall set-off the value of any Service Credits against the appropriate invoice in accordance with calculation formula in the Annex to Part A of this Schedule.

# Annex A to Part A: Service Levels and Service Credits Table

Service Levels					
Service Level Performance Criterion	Key Indicator	Service Level Performance Measure	Service Level Threshold	Service Credit for each Service Period	Publishable KPI
17 x three seat, ADR compliant 44- tonne fuel tankers (Element 1) must be delivered to DST Leconfield by 30 September 2023 and based there for the duration of the contract, with new vehicles to be delivered in Q4 2023/24. 5 x three seat, Category C+E articulated tractor/trailer	Availability	100%		0.5% Service Credit gained for each percentage under the specified Service Level Performance Measure	Yes
combinations (Element 2) must be delivered to DST Leconfield by 30 September and based there for the duration of the contract, with new vehicles to be delivered by Q3 2023/24.					

Service Levels					
Service Level Performance Criterion	Key Indicator	Service Level Performance Measure	Service Level Threshold	Service Credit for each Service Period	Publishable KPI
14 x three seat articulated vehicle combinations (Element 3) must be delivered to DST Leconfield by 01 October 2023 and based there during the contract period.					
All the vehicles should be in a clean, safe, appropriate and well-maintained condition that meets all necessary legislative and industry requirements for use on GB roads.					
All vehicles must have 100% availability throughout the duration of the contract					
Technical queries will receive a response within 4 hours.	Response time	at least 95% at all times for 4 hour response	[]	0.5% Service Credit gained for each percentage under the specified Service Level	Yes

Service Levels					
Service Level Performance Criterion	Key Indicator	Service Level Performance Measure	Service Level Threshold	Service Credit for each Service Period	Publishable KPI
All technical queries resolved within 24 hours.		at least 100% for resolution within 24 hours		Performance Measure	

The Service Credits shall be calculated on the basis of the following formula:

### Example:

Formula: x% (Service Level Performance Measure) - x% (actual Service Level performance)

Worked example: 98% (e.g. Service Level Performance Measure requirement for accurate and timely billing Service Level) - 75% (e.g. actual performance achieved against this Service Level in a Service Period)

- x% of the Charges payable to the Buyer as
   Service Credits to be deducted from the
   next Invoice payable by the Buyer
- 23% of the Charges payable to the Buyer as Service Credits to be deducted from the next Invoice payable by the Buyer]

# **Part B: Performance Monitoring**

### 8. PERFORMANCE MONITORING AND PERFORMANCE REVIEW

- 8.1 Within twenty (20) Working Days of the Start Date the Supplier shall provide the Buyer with details of how the process in respect of the monitoring and reporting of Service Levels will operate between the Parties and the Parties will endeavour to agree such process as soon as reasonably possible.
- 8.2 The Supplier shall provide the Buyer with performance monitoring reports ("Performance Monitoring Reports") in accordance with the process and timescales agreed. Part B of this Schedule which shall contain, as a minimum, the following information in respect of the relevant Service Period just ended:
  - 8.2.1 for each Service Level, the actual performance achieved over the Service Level for the relevant Service Period;
  - 8.2.2 a summary of all failures to achieve Service Levels that occurred during that Service Period;
  - 8.2.3 details of any Critical Service Level Failures;
  - 8.2.4 for any repeat failures, actions taken to resolve the underlying cause and prevent recurrence;
  - 8.2.5 the Service Credits to be applied in respect of the relevant period indicating the failures and Service Levels to which the Service Credits relate; and
  - 8.2.6 such other details as the Buyer may reasonably require from time to time.
- 8.3 The Parties shall attend meetings to discuss Performance Monitoring Reports ("Performance Review Meetings") on a Monthly basis. The Performance Review Meetings will be the forum for the review by the Supplier and the Buyer of the Performance Monitoring Reports. The Performance Review Meetings shall:
  - 8.3.1 take place within one (1) week of the Performance Monitoring Reports being issued by the Supplier at such location and time (within normal business hours) as the Buyer shall reasonably require;
  - 8.3.2 be attended by the Supplier's Representative and the Buyer's Representative; and
  - 8.3.3 be fully minuted by the Supplier and the minutes will be circulated by the Supplier to all attendees at the relevant meeting and also to the Buyer's Representative and any other recipients agreed at the relevant meeting.
- 8.4 The minutes of the preceding Month's Performance Review Meeting will be agreed and signed by both the Supplier's Representative and the Buyer's Representative at each meeting.
- 8.5 The Supplier shall provide to the Buyer such documentation as the Buyer may reasonably require in order to verify the level of the performance by the Supplier and the calculations of the amount of Service Credits for any specified Service Period.

#### 9. SATISFACTION SURVEYS

9.1 The Buyer may undertake satisfaction surveys in respect of the Supplier's provision of the Deliverables. The Buyer shall be entitled to notify the Supplier of any aspects of their

performance of the provision of the Deliverables which the responses to the Satisfaction Surveys reasonably suggest are not in accordance with this Contract.

# **Schedule 11 (Continuous Improvement)**

### **10. SUPPLIER'S OBLIGATIONS**

- 10.1 The Supplier must, throughout the Contract Period, identify new or potential improvements to the provision of the Deliverables with a view to reducing the Buyer's costs (including the Charges) and/or improving the quality and efficiency of the Deliverables and their supply to the Buyer.
- 10.2 The Supplier must adopt a policy of continuous improvement in relation to the Deliverables, which must include regular reviews with the Buyer of the Deliverables and the way it provides them, with a view to reducing the Buyer's costs (including the Charges) and/or improving the quality and efficiency of the Deliverables. The Supplier and the Buyer must provide each other with any information relevant to meeting this objective.
- 10.3 In addition to Paragraph 10.1, the Supplier shall produce at the start of each Contract Year a plan for improving the provision of Deliverables and/or reducing the Charges (without adversely affecting the performance of this Contract) during that Contract Year ("Continuous Improvement Plan") for the Buyer's Approval. The Continuous Improvement Plan must include, as a minimum, proposals:
  - 10.3.1 identifying the emergence of relevant new and evolving technologies;
  - 10.3.2 changes in business processes of the Supplier or the Buyer and ways of working that would provide cost savings and/or enhanced benefits to the Buyer (such as methods of interaction, supply chain efficiencies, reduction in energy consumption and methods of sale);
  - 10.3.3 new or potential improvements to the provision of the Deliverables including the quality, responsiveness, procedures, benchmarking methods, likely performance mechanisms and customer support services in relation to the Deliverables; and
  - 10.3.4 measuring and reducing the sustainability impacts of the Supplier's operations and supply-chains relating to the Deliverables, and identifying opportunities to assist the Buyer in meeting their sustainability objectives.
- 10.4 The initial Continuous Improvement Plan for the first (1<sup>st</sup>) Contract Year shall be submitted by the Supplier to the Buyer for Approval within six (6) Months following the Start Date.
- 10.5 The Buyer shall notify the Supplier of its Approval or rejection of the proposed Continuous Improvement Plan or any updates to it within twenty (20) Working Days of receipt. If it is rejected then the Supplier shall, within ten (10) Working Days of receipt of notice of rejection, submit a revised Continuous Improvement Plan reflecting the changes required. Once Approved, it becomes the Continuous Improvement Plan for the purposes of this Contract.
- 10.6 The Supplier must provide sufficient information with each suggested improvement to enable a decision on whether to implement it. The Supplier shall provide any further information as requested.
- 10.7 If the Buyer wishes to incorporate any improvement into this Contract, it must request a Variation in accordance with the Variation Procedure and the Supplier must implement such Variation at no additional cost to the Buyer.

- 10.8 Once the first Continuous Improvement Plan has been Approved in accordance with Paragraph 10.5:
  - 10.8.1 the Supplier shall use all reasonable endeavours to implement any agreed deliverables in accordance with the Continuous Improvement Plan; and
  - 10.8.2 the Parties agree to meet as soon as reasonably possible following the start of each quarter (or as otherwise agreed between the Parties) to review the Supplier's progress against the Continuous Improvement Plan.
- 10.9 The Supplier shall update the Continuous Improvement Plan as and when required but at least once every Contract Year (after the first (1<sup>st</sup>) Contract Year) in accordance with the procedure and timescales set out in Paragraph 10.3.
- 10.10 All costs relating to the compilation or updating of the Continuous Improvement Plan and the costs arising from any improvement made pursuant to it and the costs of implementing any improvement, shall have no effect on and are included in the Charges.
- 10.11 Should the Supplier's costs in providing the Deliverables to the Buyer be reduced as a result of any changes implemented, all of the cost savings shall be passed on to the Buyer by way of a consequential and immediate reduction in the Charges for the Deliverables.
- 10.12 At any time during the Contract Period of the Contract, the Supplier may make a proposal for gainshare. If the Buyer deems gainshare to be applicable then the Supplier shall update the Continuous Improvement Plan so as to include details of the way in which the proposal shall be implemented in accordance with an agreed gainshare ratio.

# Schedule 12 (Benchmarking)

# 1. DEFINITIONS

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

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"Benchmark Review"	a review of the Deliverables carried out in accordance with this Schedule to determine whether those Deliverables represent Good Value;
"Benchmarked Deliverables"	any Deliverables included within the scope of a Benchmark Review pursuant to this Schedule;
"Comparable Rates"	the Charges for Comparable Deliverables;
"Comparable Deliverables"	deliverables that are identical or materially similar to the Benchmarked Deliverables (including in terms of scope, specification, volume and quality of performance) provided that if no identical or materially similar Deliverables exist in the market, the Supplier shall propose an approach for developing a comparable Deliverables benchmark;
"Comparison Group"	a sample group of organisations providing Comparable Deliverables which consists of organisations which are either of similar size to the Supplier or which are similarly structured in terms of their business and their service offering so as to be fair comparators with the Supplier or which, are best practice organisations;
"Equivalent Data"	data derived from an analysis of the Comparable Rates and/or the Comparable Deliverables (as applicable) provided by the Comparison Group;
"Good Value"	that the Benchmarked Rates are within the Upper Quartile; and
"Upper Quartile"	in respect of Benchmarked Rates, that based on an analysis of Equivalent Data, the Benchmarked Rates, as compared to the range of prices for Comparable Deliverables, are within the top 25% in terms of best value for money for the recipients of Comparable Deliverables.

# 2. WHEN YOU SHOULD USE THIS SCHEDULE

2.1 The Supplier acknowledges that the Buyer wishes to ensure that the Deliverables, represent value for money to the taxpayer throughout the Contract Period.

- 2.2 This Schedule sets out to ensure the Contract represents value for money throughout and that the Buyer may terminate the Contract by issuing a Termination Notice to the Supplier if the Supplier refuses or fails to comply with its obligations as set out in Paragraph 3 of this Schedule.
- 2.3 Amounts payable under this Schedule shall not fall with the definition of a Cost.

### 3. BENCHMARKING

#### 3.1 How benchmarking works

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

#### 3.2 Benchmarking Process

- **3.2.1** The benchmarker shall produce and send to the Buyer, for Approval, a draft plan for the Benchmark Review which must include:
  - a) a proposed cost and timetable for the Benchmark Review;
  - b) a description of the benchmarking methodology to be used which must demonstrate that the methodology to be used is capable of fulfilling the benchmarking purpose; and
  - c) a description of how the benchmarker will scope and identify the Comparison Group.
- **3.2.2** The benchmarker, acting reasonably, shall be entitled to use any model to determine the achievement of value for money and to carry out the benchmarking.

- 3.2.3 The Buyer must give notice in writing to the Supplier within ten (10) Working Days after receiving the draft plan, advising the benchmarker and the Supplier whether it Approves the draft plan, or, if it does not approve the draft plan, suggesting amendments to that plan (which must be reasonable). If amendments are suggested then the benchmarker must produce an amended draft plan and this Paragraph 3.2.3 shall apply to any amended draft plan.
- 3.2.4 Once both Parties have approved the draft plan then they will notify the benchmarker. No Party may unreasonably withhold or delay its Approval of the draft plan.
- 3.2.5 Once it has received the Approval of the draft plan, the benchmarker shall:
  - a) finalise the Comparison Group and collect data relating to Comparable Rates. The selection of the Comparable Rates (both in terms of number and identity) shall be a matter for the benchmarker's professional judgment using:
    - (A) information from other service providers to the Buyer;
    - (B) survey information;
    - (C) information from "in-house" providers to the Buyer to the extent that the benchmarker considers that they are valid comparators;
    - (D) market intelligence;
    - (E) the benchmarker's own data and experience;
    - (F) relevant published information; and
    - (G) pursuant to Paragraph 3.2.6 below, information from other suppliers or purchasers on Comparable Rates;
  - b) by applying the adjustment factors listed in Paragraph 3.2.7 and from an analysis of the Comparable Rates, derive the Equivalent Data;
  - c) using the Equivalent Data, calculate the Upper Quartile;
  - d) determine whether or not each Benchmarked Rate is, and/or the Benchmarked Rates as a whole are, Good Value.
- 3.2.6 The Supplier shall use all reasonable endeavours and act in good faith to supply information required by the benchmarker in order to undertake the benchmarking. The Supplier agrees to use its reasonable endeavours to obtain information from other suppliers or purchasers on Comparable Rates.
- 3.2.7 In carrying out the benchmarking analysis the benchmarker may have regard to the following matters when performing a comparative assessment of the Benchmarked Rates and the Comparable Rates in order to derive Equivalent Data:
  - a) the contractual terms and business environment under which the Comparable Rates are being provided (including the scale and geographical spread of the customers);
  - b) exchange rates;

C) any other factors reasonably identified by the Supplier, which, if not taken into consideration, could unfairly cause the Supplier's pricing to appear non-competitive.

### 3.3 Benchmarking Report

- 3.3.1 For the purposes of this Schedule "**Benchmarking Report**" shall mean the report produced by the benchmarker following the Benchmark Review and as further described in this Schedule;
- 3.3.2 The benchmarker shall prepare a Benchmarking Report and deliver it to the Buyer, at the time specified in the plan Approved pursuant to Paragraph 3.2.3, setting out its findings. Those findings shall be required to:
  - a) include a finding as to whether or not a Benchmarked Service and/or whether the Benchmarked Deliverables as a whole are, Good Value;
  - b) if any of the Benchmarked Deliverables are, individually or as a whole, not Good Value, specify the changes that would be required to make that Benchmarked Service or the Benchmarked Deliverables as a whole Good Value; and
  - C) include sufficient detail and transparency so that the Party requesting the Benchmarking can interpret and understand how the Supplier has calculated whether or not the Benchmarked Deliverables are, individually or as a whole, Good Value.
- 3.3.3 The Parties agree that any changes required to this Contract identified in the Benchmarking Report shall be implemented at the direction of the Buyer in accordance with Clause 28 (Changing the contract).

# Schedule 13 (Contract Management)

# 1. **DEFINITIONS**

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

"Operational Board"	the board established in accordance with Paragraph 4.1 of this Schedule;
"Project Manager"	the manager appointed in accordance with Paragraph 2.1 of this Schedule;

### 2. PROJECT MANAGEMENT

- 2.1 The Supplier and the Buyer shall each appoint a Project Manager for the purposes of this Contract through whom the provision of the Services and the Deliverables shall be managed day-to-day.
- 2.2 The Parties shall ensure that appropriate resource is made available on a regular basis such that the aims, objectives and specific provisions of this Contract can be fully realised.
- 2.3 Without prejudice to Paragraph 4 below, the Parties agree to operate the boards specified as set out in the Annex to this Schedule.

### 3. ROLE OF THE SUPPLIER PROJECT MANAGER

- 3.1 The Supplier Project Manager shall be:
  - 3.1.1 the primary point of contact to receive communication from the Buyer and will also be the person primarily responsible for providing information to the Buyer;
  - 3.1.2 able to delegate his position to another person at the Supplier but must inform the Buyer before proceeding with the delegation and it will be delegated person's responsibility to fulfil the Project Manager's responsibilities and obligations;
  - 3.1.3 able to cancel any delegation and recommence the position himself; and
  - 3.1.4 replaced only after the Buyer has received notification of the proposed change.
- 3.2 The Buyer may provide revised instructions to the Supplier's Project Manager in regards to the Contract and it will be the Supplier Project Manager's responsibility to ensure the information is provided to the Supplier and the actions implemented.
- **3.3** Receipt of communication from the Supplier Project Manager by the Buyer does not absolve the Supplier from its responsibilities, obligations or liabilities under the Contract.

#### 4. ROLE OF THE OPERATIONAL BOARD

- 4.1 The Operational Board shall be established by the Buyer for the purposes of this Contract on which the Supplier and the Buyer shall be represented.
- 4.2 The Operational Board members, frequency and location of board meetings and planned start date by which the board shall be established are set out in Annex A to the Schedule.

- 4.3 In the event that either Party wishes to replace any of its appointed board members, that Party shall notify the other in writing for approval by the other Party (such approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed). Each Buyer board member shall have at all times a counterpart Supplier board member of equivalent seniority and expertise.
- 4.4 Each Party shall ensure that its board members shall make all reasonable efforts to attend board meetings at which that board member's attendance is required. If any board member is not able to attend a board meeting, that person shall use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that a delegate attends the Operational Board meeting in his/her place (wherever possible) and that the delegate is properly briefed and prepared and that he/she is debriefed by such delegate after the board meeting.
- 4.5 The purpose of the Operational Board meetings will be to review the Supplier's performance under this Contract. The agenda for each meeting shall be set by the Buyer and communicated to the Supplier in advance of that meeting.

### 5. CONTRACT RISK MANAGEMENT

- 5.1 Both Parties shall pro-actively manage risks attributed to them under the terms of this Contract.
- 5.2 The Supplier shall develop, operate, maintain and amend, as agreed with the Buyer, processes for:
  - 5.2.1 the identification and management of risks;
  - 5.2.2 the identification and management of issues; and
  - 5.2.3 monitoring and controlling project plans.
- 5.3 The Supplier allows the Buyer to inspect at any time within working hours the accounts and records which the Supplier is required to keep.
- 5.4 The Supplier will maintain a risk register of the risks relating to the Contract which the Buyer and the Supplier have identified.

# **Annex: Operational Boards**

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

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# Schedule 16 (Security)

# Part A: Short Form Security Requirements

### **11. DEFINITIONS**

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

"Breach of Security" the occurrence of:

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

in either case as more particularly set out in the Security Policy where the Buyer has required compliance there with in accordance with Paragraph 12.1;

"Security Management the Supplier's security management plan prepared pursuant to this Schedule, a draft of which has been provided by the Supplier to the Buyer and as updated from time to time.

#### 12. COMPLYING WITH SECURITY REQUIREMENTS AND UPDATES TO THEM

- 12.1 The Supplier shall comply with the requirements in this Schedule in respect of the Security Management Plan. Where specified by a Buyer it shall also comply with the Security Policy and shall ensure that the Security Management Plan produced by the Supplier fully complies with the Security Policy.
- 12.2 Where the Security Policy applies the Buyer shall notify the Supplier of any changes or proposed changes to the Security Policy.
- 12.3 If the Supplier believes that a change or proposed change to the Security Policy will have a material and unavoidable cost implication to the provision of the Deliverables it may propose a Variation to the Buyer. In doing so, the Supplier must support its request by providing evidence of the cause of any increased costs and the steps that it has taken to mitigate those costs. Any change to the Charges shall be subject to the Variation Procedure.

12.4 Until and/or unless a change to the Charges is agreed by the Buyer pursuant to the Variation Procedure the Supplier shall continue to provide the Deliverables in accordance with its existing obligations.

#### **13. SECURITY STANDARDS**

- 13.1 The Supplier acknowledges that the Buyer places great emphasis on the reliability of the performance of the Deliverables, confidentiality, integrity and availability of information and consequently on security.
- 13.2 The Supplier shall be responsible for the effective performance of its security obligations and shall at all times provide a level of security which:
  - 13.2.1 is in accordance with the Law and this Contract;
  - 13.2.2 as a minimum demonstrates Good Industry Practice;
  - 13.2.3 meets any specific security threats of immediate relevance to the Deliverables and/or the Government Data; and
  - 13.2.4 where specified by the Buyer in accordance with Paragraph 12.1 complies with the Security Policy and the ICT Policy.
- 13.3 The references to standards, guidance and policies contained or set out in Paragraph 13.2 shall be deemed to be references to such items as developed and updated and to any successor to or replacement for such standards, guidance and policies, as notified to the Supplier from time to time.
- 13.4 In the event of any inconsistency in the provisions of the above standards, guidance and policies, the Supplier should notify the Buyer's Representative of such inconsistency immediately upon becoming aware of the same, and the Buyer's Representative shall, as soon as practicable, advise the Supplier which provision the Supplier shall be required to comply with.

#### **14. SECURITY MANAGEMENT PLAN**

#### 14.1 Introduction

14.1.1 The Supplier shall develop and maintain a Security Management Plan in accordance with this Schedule. The Supplier shall thereafter comply with its obligations set out in the Security Management Plan.

#### 14.2 Content of the Security Management Plan

- 14.2.1 The Security Management Plan shall:
  - (a) comply with the principles of security set out in Paragraph 13 and any other provisions of this Contract relevant to security;
  - (b) identify the necessary delegated organisational roles for those responsible for ensuring it is complied with by the Supplier;
  - detail the process for managing any security risks from Subcontractors and third parties authorised by the Buyer with access to the Deliverables, processes associated with the provision of the Deliverables, the Buyer
     Premises, the Sites and any ICT, Information and data (including the Buyer's Confidential Information and the Government Data) and any

system that could directly or indirectly have an impact on that Information, data and/or the Deliverables;

- (d) be developed to protect all aspects of the Deliverables and all processes associated with the provision of the Deliverables, including the Buyer Premises, the Sites, and any ICT, Information and data (including the Buyer's Confidential Information and the Government Data) to the extent used by the Buyer or the Supplier in connection with this Contract or in connection with any system that could directly or indirectly have an impact on that Information, data and/or the Deliverables;
- (e) set out the security measures to be implemented and maintained by the Supplier in relation to all aspects of the Deliverables and all processes associated with the provision of the Goods and/or Services and shall at all times comply with and specify security measures and procedures which are sufficient to ensure that the Deliverables comply with the provisions of this Contract;
- (f) set out the plans for transitioning all security arrangements and responsibilities for the Supplier to meet the full obligations of the security requirements set out in this Contract and, where necessary in accordance with the Security Policy as set out in Paragraph 12.1 ; and
- (g) be written in plain English in language which is readily comprehensible to the staff of the Supplier and the Buyer engaged in the provision of the Deliverables and shall only reference documents which are in the possession of the Parties or whose location is otherwise specified in this Schedule.

#### 14.3 Development of the Security Management Plan

- 14.3.1 Within twenty (20) Working Days after the Start Date and in accordance with Paragraph 14.4, the Supplier shall prepare and deliver to the Buyer for Approval a fully complete and up to date Security Management Plan which will be based on the draft Security Management Plan.
- 14.3.2 If the Security Management Plan submitted to the Buyer in accordance with Paragraph 14.3.1, or any subsequent revision to it in accordance with Paragraph 14.4, is Approved it will be adopted immediately and will replace the previous version of the Security Management Plan and thereafter operated and maintained in accordance with this Schedule. If the Security Management Plan is not Approved, the Supplier shall amend it within ten (10) Working Days of a notice of non-approval from the Buyer and re-submit to the Buyer for Approval. The Parties will use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that the approval process takes as little time as possible and in any event no longer than fifteen (15) Working Days from the date of its first submission to the Buyer. If the Buyer does not approve the Security Management Plan following its resubmission, the matter will be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure.
- 14.3.3 The Buyer shall not unreasonably withhold or delay its decision to Approve or not the Security Management Plan pursuant to Paragraph 14.3.2. However a refusal by the Buyer to Approve the Security Management Plan on the grounds that it does not comply with the requirements set out in Paragraph 14.2 shall be deemed to be reasonable.

14.3.4 Approval by the Buyer of the Security Management Plan pursuant to Paragraph 14.3.2 or of any change to the Security Management Plan in accordance with Paragraph 14.4 shall not relieve the Supplier of its obligations under this Schedule.

#### 14.4 Amendment of the Security Management Plan

- 14.4.1 The Security Management Plan shall be fully reviewed and updated by the Supplier at least annually to reflect:
  - (a) emerging changes in Good Industry Practice;
  - (b) any change or proposed change to the Deliverables and/or associated processes;
  - (c) where necessary in accordance with Paragraph 12.2, any change to the Security Policy;
  - (d) any new perceived or changed security threats; and
  - (e) any reasonable change in requirements requested by the Buyer.
- 14.4.2 The Supplier shall provide the Buyer with the results of such reviews as soon as reasonably practicable after their completion and amendment of the Security Management Plan at no additional cost to the Buyer. The results of the review shall include:
  - (a) suggested improvements to the effectiveness of the Security Management Plan;
  - (b) updates to the risk assessments; and
  - (c) suggested improvements in measuring the effectiveness of controls.
- 14.4.3 Subject to Paragraph 14.4.4, any change or amendment which the Supplier proposes to make to the Security Management Plan (as a result of a review carried out in accordance with Paragraph 14.4.1, a request by the Buyer or otherwise) shall be subject to the Variation Procedure.
- 14.4.4 The Buyer may, acting reasonably, Approve and require changes or amendments to the Security Management Plan to be implemented on timescales faster than set out in the Variation Procedure but, without prejudice to their effectiveness, all such changes and amendments shall thereafter be subject to the Variation Procedure for the purposes of formalising and documenting the relevant change or amendment.

#### **15. SECURITY BREACH**

- 15.1 Either Party shall notify the other in accordance with the agreed security incident management process (as detailed in the Security Management Plan) upon becoming aware of any Breach of Security or any potential or attempted Breach of Security.
- 15.2 Without prejudice to the security incident management process, upon becoming aware of any of the circumstances referred to in Paragraph 15.1, the Supplier shall:
  - 15.2.1 immediately use all reasonable endeavours (which shall include any action or changes reasonably required by the Buyer) necessary to:
    - (a) minimise the extent of actual or potential harm caused by any Breach of Security;

- (b) remedy such Breach of Security to the extent possible and protect the integrity of the Buyer and the provision of the Goods and/or Services to the extent within its control against any such Breach of Security or attempted Breach of Security;
- (c) prevent an equivalent breach in the future exploiting the same cause failure; and
- (d) as soon as reasonably practicable provide to the Buyer, where the Buyer so requests, full details (using the reporting mechanism defined by the Security Management Plan) of the Breach of Security or attempted Breach of Security, including a cause analysis where required by the Buyer.
- 15.3 In the event that any action is taken in response to a Breach of Security or potential or attempted Breach of Security that demonstrates non-compliance of the Security Management Plan with the Security Policy (where relevant in accordance with Paragraph 12.1) or the requirements of this Schedule, then any required change to the Security Management Plan shall be at no cost to the Buyer.

# Schedule 19 (Cyber Essentials Scheme)

# 1. DEFINITIONS

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

"Cyber Essentials Scheme"	the Cyber Essentials Scheme developed by the Government which provides a clear statement of the basic controls all organisations should implement to mitigate the risk from common internet based threats (as may be amended from time to time). Details of the Cyber Essentials Scheme can be found at: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/</u> <u>cyber-essentials-scheme-overview</u>
"Cyber Essentials Basic Certificate"	the certificate awarded on the basis of self- assessment, verified by an independent certification body, under the Cyber Essentials Scheme and is the basic level of assurance;
"Cyber Essentials Certificate"	Cyber Essentials Basic Certificate or the Cyber Essentials Plus Certificate to be provided by the Supplier as set out in the Award Form
"Cyber Essential Scheme Data"	sensitive and personal information and other relevant information as referred to in the Cyber Essentials Scheme
"Cyber Essentials Plus Certificate"	the certification awarded on the basis of external testing by an independent certification body of the Supplier's cyber security approach under the Cyber Essentials Scheme and is a more advanced level of assurance.

# 2. WHAT CERTIFICATION DO YOU NEED

2.1 Where the Award Form requires that the Supplier provide a Cyber Essentials Certificate prior to contract award the Supplier shall provide a valid Cyber Essentials Certificate to the Buyer. Where the Supplier fails to comply with this Paragraph 2.1it shall be prohibited from

commencing the provision of Deliverables under the Contract until such time as the Supplier has evidenced to the Buyer its compliance with this Paragraph 2.1.

- 2.2 Where the Supplier continues to Process Cyber Essentials Scheme Data during the Contract Period of the Contract the Supplier shall deliver to the Buyer evidence of renewal of the Cyber Essentials Certificate on each anniversary of the first applicable certificate obtained by the Supplier under Paragraph 2.1.
- 2.3 Where the Supplier is due to Process Cyber Essentials Scheme Data after the Start date of the Contract but before the end of the Contact Period, the Supplier shall deliver to the Buyer evidence of:
  - 2.3.1 a valid and current Cyber Essentials Certificate before the Supplier Processes any such Cyber Essentials Scheme Data; and
  - 2.3.2 renewal of the valid Cyber Essentials Certificate on each anniversary of the first Cyber Essentials Scheme certificate obtained by the Supplier under Paragraph 2.1.
- 2.4 In the event that the Supplier fails to comply with Paragraphs 2.2 or 2.3 (as applicable), the Buyer reserves the right to terminate this Contract for material Default.
- 2.5 The Supplier shall ensure that all Sub-Contracts with Subcontractors who Process Cyber Essentials Data contain provisions no less onerous on the Subcontractors than those imposed on the Supplier under this Contract in respect of the Cyber Essentials Scheme under Paragraph 2.1 of this Schedule.
- 2.6 This Schedule shall survive termination or expiry of this Contract.

# Schedule 20 (Processing Data)

# 1. Status of the Controller

- 1.1 The Parties acknowledge that for the purposes of the Data Protection Legislation, the nature of the activity carried out by each of them in relation to their respective obligations under a Contract dictates the status of each party under the DPA 2018. A Party may act as:
  - 1.1.1 "Controller" in respect of the other Party who is "Processor";
  - 1.1.2 "Processor" in respect of the other Party who is "Controller";
  - 1.1.3 "Joint Controller" with the other Party;
  - 1.1.4 "Independent Controller" of the Personal Data where the other Party is also "Controller",

in respect of certain Personal Data under a Contract and shall specify in Annex 1 (*Processing Personal Data*) which scenario they think shall apply in each situation.

# 2. Where one Party is Controller and the other Party its Processor

- 2.1 Where a Party is a Processor, the only Processing that it is authorised to do is listed in Annex 1 (*Processing Personal Data*) by the Controller.
- 2.2 The Processor shall notify the Controller immediately if it considers that any of the Controller's instructions infringe the Data Protection Legislation.
- 2.3 The Processor shall provide all reasonable assistance to the Controller in the preparation of any Data Protection Impact Assessment prior to commencing any Processing. Such assistance may, at the discretion of the Controller, include:
  - 2.3.1 a systematic description of the envisaged Processing and the purpose of the Processing;
  - 2.3.2 an assessment of the necessity and proportionality of the Processing in relation to the Services;
  - 2.3.3 an assessment of the risks to the rights and freedoms of Data Subjects; and
  - 2.3.4 the measures envisaged to address the risks, including safeguards, security measures and mechanisms to ensure the protection of Personal Data.
- 2.4 The Processor shall, in relation to any Personal Data Processed in connection with its obligations under the Contract:
  - 2.4.1 Process that Personal Data only in accordance with Annex 1 (*Processing Personal Data*), unless the Processor is required to do otherwise by Law. If it is so required the Processor shall notify the Controller before Processing the Personal Data unless prohibited by Law;
  - 2.4.2 ensure that it has in place Protective Measures, including in the case of the Supplier the measures set out in Clause 18.4 of the Core Terms,

which the Controller may reasonably reject (but failure to reject shall not amount to approval by the Controller of the adequacy of the Protective Measures) having taken account of the:

- a) nature of the data to be protected;
- b) harm that might result from a Personal Data Breach;
- c) state of technological development; and
- d) cost of implementing any measures;
- 2.4.3 ensure that:
  - a) the Processor Personnel do not Process Personal Data except in accordance with the Contract (and in particular Annex 1 (Processing Personal Data));
  - b) it uses all reasonable endeavours to ensure the reliability and integrity of any Processor Personnel who have access to the Personal Data and ensure that they:
    - (i) are aware of and comply with the Processor's duties under this Schedule 20, Clauses 18 (Data protection), 19 (What you must keep confidential) and 20 (When you can share information);
    - (ii) are subject to appropriate confidentiality undertakings with the Processor or any Subprocessor;
    - (iii) are informed of the confidential nature of the Personal Data and do not publish, disclose or divulge any of the Personal Data to any third party unless directed in writing to do so by the Controller or as otherwise permitted by the Contract; and
    - (iv) have undergone adequate training in the use, care, protection and handling of Personal Data;
- 2.4.4 not transfer Personal Data outside of the UK unless the prior written consent of the Controller has been obtained and the following conditions are fulfilled:
  - a) the transfer is in accordance with Article 45 of the UK GDPR (or section 73 of DPA 2018); or
  - b) the Controller or the Processor has provided appropriate safeguards in relation to the transfer (whether in accordance with UK GDPR Article 46 or section 75 of the DPA 2018) as determined by the Controller which could include relevant parties entering into the International Data Transfer Agreement (the "IDTA"), or International Data Transfer Agreement Addendum to the European Commission's SCCs (the "Addendum"), as published by the Information Commissioner's Office from time to time, as well as any additional measures determined by the Controller;

- c) the Data Subject has enforceable rights and effective legal remedies;
- the Processor complies with its obligations under the Data Protection Legislation by providing an adequate level of protection to any Personal Data that is transferred (or, if it is not so bound, uses its best endeavours to assist the Controller in meeting its obligations); and
- e) the Processor complies with any reasonable instructions notified to it in advance by the Controller with respect to the Processing of the Personal Data;
- 2.4.5 where the Personal Data is subject to EU GDPR, not transfer Personal Data outside of the EU unless the prior written consent of the Controller has been obtained and the following conditions are fulfilled:
  - a) the transfer is in accordance with Article 45 of the EU GDPR; or
  - b) the transferring Party has provided appropriate safeguards in relation to the transfer in accordance with Article 46 of the EU GDPR as determined by the non-transferring Party which could include relevant parties entering into Standard Contractual Clauses in the European Commission's decision 2021/914/EU or such updated version of such Standard Contractual Clauses as are published by the European Commission from time to time as well as any additional measures determined by the non-transferring Party;
  - c) the Data Subject has enforceable rights and effective legal remedies;
  - the transferring Party complies with its obligations under the Data Protection Legislation by providing an adequate level of protection to any Personal Data that is transferred (or, if it is not so bound, uses its best endeavours to assist the nontransferring Party in meeting its obligations); and
  - e) the transferring Party complies with any reasonable instructions notified to it in advance by the non-transferring Party with respect to the processing of the Personal Data; and
- 2.4.6 at the written direction of the Controller, delete or return Personal Data (and any copies of it) to the Controller on termination of the Contract unless the Processor is required by Law to retain the Personal Data.
- 2.5 Subject to Paragraph 2.6 of this Schedule 20, the Processor shall notify the Controller immediately if in relation to it Processing Personal Data under or in connection with the Contract it:
  - 2.5.1 receives a Data Subject Access Request (or purported Data Subject Access Request);
  - 2.5.2 receives a request to rectify, block or erase any Personal Data;

- 2.5.3 receives any other request, complaint or communication relating to either Party's obligations under the Data Protection Legislation;
- 2.5.4 receives any communication from the Information Commissioner or any other regulatory authority in connection with Personal Data Processed under the Contract;
- 2.5.5 receives a request from any third Party for disclosure of Personal Data where compliance with such request is required or purported to be required by Law; or
- 2.5.6 becomes aware of a Personal Data Breach.
- 2.6 The Processor's obligation to notify under Paragraph 2.5 of this Schedule 20 shall include the provision of further information to the Controller, as details become available.
- 2.7 Taking into account the nature of the Processing, the Processor shall provide the Controller with assistance in relation to either Party's obligations under Data Protection Legislation and any complaint, communication or request made under Paragraph 2.5 of this Schedule 20 (and insofar as possible within the timescales reasonably required by the Controller) including by immediately providing:
  - 2.7.1 the Controller with full details and copies of the complaint, communication or request;
  - 2.7.2 such assistance as is reasonably requested by the Controller to enable it to comply with a Data Subject Access Request within the relevant timescales set out in the Data Protection Legislation;
  - 2.7.3 the Controller, at its request, with any Personal Data it holds in relation to a Data Subject;
  - 2.7.4 assistance as requested by the Controller following any Personal Data Breach; and/or
  - 2.7.5 assistance as requested by the Controller with respect to any request from the Information Commissioner's Office or any other regulatory authority, or any consultation by the Controller with the Information Commissioner's Office or any other regulatory authority.
- 2.8 The Processor shall maintain complete and accurate records and information to demonstrate its compliance with this Schedule 20. This requirement does not apply where the Processor employs fewer than 250 staff, unless:
  - 2.8.1 the Controller determines that the Processing is not occasional;
  - 2.8.2 the Controller determines the Processing includes special categories of data as referred to in Article 9(1) of the UK GDPR or Personal Data relating to criminal convictions and offences referred to in Article 10 of the UK GDPR; or
  - 2.8.3 the Controller determines that the Processing is likely to result in a risk to the rights and freedoms of Data Subjects.
- 2.9 The Processor shall allow for audits of its Data Processing activity by the Controller or the Controller's designated auditor.

- 2.10 The Parties shall designate a Data Protection Officer if required by the Data Protection Legislation.
- 2.11 Before allowing any Subprocessor to Process any Personal Data related to the Contract, the Processor must:
  - 2.11.1 notify the Controller in writing of the intended Subprocessor and Processing;
  - 2.11.2 obtain the written consent of the Controller;
  - 2.11.3 enter into a written agreement with the Subprocessor which give effect to the terms set out in this Schedule 20 such that they apply to the Subprocessor; and
  - 2.11.4 provide the Controller with such information regarding the Subprocessor as the Controller may reasonably require.
- 2.12 The Processor shall remain fully liable for all acts or omissions of any of its Subprocessors.
- 2.13 The Buyer may, at any time on not less than 30 Working Days' notice, revise this Schedule 20 by replacing it with any applicable controller to processor standard clauses or similar terms forming part of an applicable certification scheme (which shall apply when incorporated by attachment to the Contract).
- 2.14 The Parties agree to take account of any guidance issued by the Information Commissioner's Office. The Buyer may on not less than 30 Working Days' notice to the Supplier amend the Contract to ensure that it complies with any guidance issued by the Information Commissioner's Office.

### 3. Where the Parties are Joint Controllers of Personal Data

3.1 In the event that the Parties are Joint Controllers in respect of Personal Data under the Contract, the Parties shall implement Paragraphs that are necessary to comply with UK GDPR Article 26 based on the terms set out in Annex 2 to this Schedule 20 (*Processing Data*).

#### **Independent Controllers of Personal Data**

- 3.2 With respect to Personal Data provided by one Party to another Party for which each Party acts as Controller but which is not under the Joint Control of the Parties, each Party undertakes to comply with the applicable Data Protection Legislation in respect of their Processing of such Personal Data as Controller.
- 3.3 Each Party shall Process the Personal Data in compliance with its obligations under the Data Protection Legislation and not do anything to cause the other Party to be in breach of it.
- 3.4 Where a Party has provided Personal Data to the other Party in accordance with Paragraph 3.2 of this Schedule 20 above, the recipient of the Personal Data will provide all such relevant documents and information relating to its data protection policies and procedures as the other Party may reasonably require.
- 3.5 The Parties shall be responsible for their own compliance with Articles 13 and 14 UK GDPR in respect of the Processing of Personal Data for the purposes of the Contract.
- 3.6 The Parties shall only provide Personal Data to each other:
  - 3.6.1 to the extent necessary to perform their respective obligations under the Contract;

- 3.6.2 in compliance with the Data Protection Legislation (including by ensuring all required data privacy information has been given to affected Data Subjects to meet the requirements of Articles 13 and 14 of the UK GDPR); and
- 3.6.3 where it has recorded it in Annex 1 (Processing Personal Data).
- 3.7 Taking into account the state of the art, the costs of implementation and the nature, scope, context and purposes of Processing as well as the risk of varying likelihood and severity for the rights and freedoms of natural persons, each Party shall, with respect to its Processing of Personal Data as Independent Controller, implement and maintain appropriate technical and organisational measures to ensure a level of security appropriate to that risk, including, as appropriate, the measures referred to in Article 32(1)(a), (b), (c) and (d) of the UK GDPR, and the measures shall, at a minimum, comply with the requirements of the Data Protection Legislation, including Article 32 of the UK GDPR.
- 3.8 A Party Processing Personal Data for the purposes of the Contract shall maintain a record of its Processing activities in accordance with Article 30 UK GDPR and shall make the record available to the other Party upon reasonable request.
- 3.9 Where a Party receives a request by any Data Subject to exercise any of their rights under the Data Protection Legislation in relation to the Personal Data provided to it by the other Party pursuant to the Contract ("Request Recipient"):
  - 3.9.1 the other Party shall provide any information and/or assistance as reasonably requested by the Request Recipient to help it respond to the request or correspondence, at the cost of the Request Recipient; or
  - 3.9.2 where the request or correspondence is directed to the other Party and/or relates to that other Party's Processing of the Personal Data, the Request Recipient will:
    - a) promptly, and in any event within five (5) Working Days of receipt of the request or correspondence, inform the other Party that it has received the same and shall forward such request or correspondence to the other Party; and
    - b) provide any information and/or assistance as reasonably requested by the other Party to help it respond to the request or correspondence in the timeframes specified by Data Protection Legislation.
- 3.10 Each Party shall promptly notify the other Party upon it becoming aware of any Personal Data Breach relating to Personal Data provided by the other Party pursuant to the Contract and shall:
  - 3.10.1 do all such things as reasonably necessary to assist the other Party in mitigating the effects of the Personal Data Breach;
  - 3.10.2 implement any measures necessary to restore the security of any compromised Personal Data;
  - 3.10.3 work with the other Party to make any required notifications to the Information Commissioner's Office or any other regulatory authority and affected Data Subjects in accordance with the Data Protection Legislation (including the timeframes set out therein); and

- 3.10.4 not do anything which may damage the reputation of the other Party or that Party's relationship with the relevant Data Subjects, save as required by Law.
- 3.11 Personal Data provided by one Party to the other Party may be used exclusively to exercise rights and obligations under the Contract as specified in Annex 1 (*Processing Personal Data*).
- 3.12 Personal Data shall not be retained or processed for longer than is necessary to perform each Party's respective obligations under the Contract which is specified in Annex 1 (*Processing Personal Data*).
- 3.13 Notwithstanding the general application of Paragraphs 2.1 to 2.14 of this Schedule 20 to Personal Data, where the Supplier is required to exercise its regulatory and/or legal obligations in respect of Personal Data, it shall act as an Independent Controller of Personal Data in accordance with Paragraphs 3.2 to 3.12 of this Schedule 20.

# **Annex 1 - Processing Personal Data**

- 1. This Annex shall be completed by the Controller, who may take account of the view of the Processor, however the final decision as to the content of this Annex shall be with the Buyer at its absolute discretion.
  - 1.1 The contact details of the Buyer's Data Protection Officer are: TBC
  - 1.2 The contact details of the Supplier's Data Protection Officer are: TBC
  - **1.3** The Processor shall comply with any further written instructions with respect to Processing by the Controller.
  - 1.4 Any such further instructions shall be incorporated into this Annex.

Description	Details
Identity of	The Buyer is Controller and the Supplier is Processor
Controller for each Category of Personal Data	The Parties acknowledge that in accordance with Paragraph 2 and for the purposes of the Data Protection Legislation, the Buyer is the Controller and the Supplier is the Processor of the following Personal Data:
	• TBC
	The Supplier is Controller and the Buyer is Processor
	The Parties acknowledge that for the purposes of the Data Protection Legislation, the Supplier is the Controller and the Buyer is the Processor in accordance with Paragraph2 of the following Personal Data:
	• TBC
	The Parties are Joint Controllers
	The Parties acknowledge that they are Joint Controllers for the purposes of the Data Protection Legislation in respect of:
	ТВС
	The Parties are Independent Controllers of Personal Data
	The Parties acknowledge that they are Independent Controllers for
	the purposes of the Data Protection Legislation in respect of:
	<ul> <li>Business contact details of Supplier Personnel for which the Supplier is the Controller,</li> </ul>

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Data under this Contract	
Protective Measures that the Supplier and, where applicable, its Sub-contractors have implemented to protect Personal Data processed under this Contract Agreement against a breach of security (insofar as that breach of security relates to data) or a Personal Data Breach	n/a

# **Annex 2 - Joint Controller Agreement**

# 1. Joint Controller Status and Allocation of Responsibilities

- 1.1 With respect to Personal Data under Joint Control of the Parties, the Parties envisage that they shall each be a Data Controller in respect of that Personal Data in accordance with the terms of this Annex 2 (Joint Controller Agreement) in replacement of Paragraph 2 of this Schedule 20 (Where one Party is Controller and the other Party is Processor) and Paragraphs 3.2 -3.12 of this Schedule 20 (Independent Controllers of Personal Data). Accordingly, the Parties each undertake to comply with the applicable Data Protection Legislation in respect of their Processing of such Personal Data as Data Controllers.
- 1.2 The Parties agree that the Buyer
  - 1.2.1 is the exclusive point of contact for Data Subjects and is responsible for using all reasonable endeavours to comply with the UK GDPR regarding the exercise by Data Subjects of their rights under the UK GDPR;
  - 1.2.2 shall direct Data Subjects to its Data Protection Officer or suitable alternative in connection with the exercise of their rights as Data Subjects and for any enquiries concerning their Personal Data or privacy;
  - 1.2.3 is solely responsible for the Parties' compliance with all duties to provide information to Data Subjects under Articles 13 and 14 of the UK GDPR;
  - 1.2.4 is responsible for obtaining the informed consent of Data Subjects, in accordance with the UK GDPR, for Processing in connection with the Services where consent is the relevant legal basis for that Processing; and
  - 1.2.5 shall make available to Data Subjects the essence of this Annex (and notify them of any changes to it) concerning the allocation of responsibilities as Joint Controller and its role as exclusive point of contact, the Parties having used their best endeavours to agree the terms of that essence. This must be outlined in the Buyer's privacy policy (which must be readily available by hyperlink or otherwise on all of its public facing services and marketing).
- **1.3** Notwithstanding the terms of Paragraph 1.2, the Parties acknowledge that a Data Subject has the right to exercise their legal rights under the Data Protection Legislation as against the relevant Party as Controller.

# 2. Undertakings of both Parties

- 2.1 The Supplier and the Buyer each undertake that they shall:
  - 2.1.1 report to the other Party every 6 months on:
    - a) the volume of Data Subject Access Request (or purported Data Subject Access Requests) from Data Subjects (or third parties on their behalf);

- b) the volume of requests from Data Subjects (or third parties on their behalf) to rectify, block or erase any Personal Data;
- c) any other requests, complaints or communications from Data Subjects (or third parties on their behalf) relating to the other Party's obligations under applicable Data Protection Legislation;
- any communications from the Information Commissioner or any other regulatory authority in connection with Personal Data; and
- e) any requests from any third party for disclosure of Personal Data where compliance with such request is required or purported to be required by Law,

that it has received in relation to the subject matter of the Contract during that period;

- 2.1.2 notify each other immediately if it receives any request, complaint or communication made as referred to in Paragraphs 2.1.1a) to e);
- 2.1.3 provide the other Party with full cooperation and assistance in relation to any request, complaint or communication made as referred to in Paragraphs 2.1.1c) to e) to enable the other Party to comply with the relevant timescales set out in the Data Protection Legislation;
- 2.1.4 not disclose or transfer the Personal Data to any third party unless necessary for the provision of the Services and, for any disclosure or transfer of Personal Data to any third party, (save where such disclosure or transfer is specifically authorised under the Contract or is required by Law) that disclosure or transfer of Personal Data is otherwise considered to be lawful processing of that Personal Data in accordance with Article 6 of the UK GDPR or EU GDPR (as the context requires). For the avoidance of doubt, the third party to which Personal Data is transferred must be subject to equivalent obligations which are no less onerous than those set out in this Annex;
- 2.1.5 request from the Data Subject only the minimum information necessary to provide the Services and treat such extracted information as Confidential Information;
- 2.1.6 ensure that at all times it has in place appropriate Protective Measures to guard against unauthorised or unlawful Processing of the Personal Data and/or accidental loss, destruction or damage to the Personal Data and unauthorised or unlawful disclosure of or access to the Personal Data;
- 2.1.7 use all reasonable endeavours to ensure the reliability and integrity of any of its Personnel who have access to the Personal Data and ensure that its Personnel:
  - a) are aware of and comply with their duties under this Annex 2 (Joint Controller Agreement) and those in respect of Confidential Information

- are informed of the confidential nature of the Personal Data, are subject to appropriate obligations of confidentiality and do not publish, disclose or divulge any of the Personal Data to any third party where the that Party would not be permitted to do so;
- c) have undergone adequate training in the use, care, protection and handling of personal data as required by the applicable Data Protection Legislation;
- 2.1.8 ensure that it has in place Protective Measures as appropriate to protect against a Personal Data Breach having taken account of the:
  - a) nature of the data to be protected;
  - b) harm that might result from a Personal Data Breach;
  - c) state of technological development; and
  - d) cost of implementing any measures;
- 2.1.9 ensure that it has the capability (whether technological or otherwise), to the extent required by Data Protection Legislation, to provide or correct or delete at the request of a Data Subject all the Personal Data relating to that Data Subject that the Supplier holds; and
- 2.1.10 ensure that it notifies the other Party as soon as it becomes aware of a Personal Data Breach;
- 2.1.11 where the Personal Data is subject to UK GDPR, not transfer such Personal Data outside of the UK unless the prior written consent of the non-transferring Party has been obtained and the following conditions are fulfilled:
  - a) the transfer is in accordance with Article 45 of the UK GDPR or DPA 2018 Section 73; or
  - b) the transferring Party has provided appropriate safeguards in relation to the transfer (whether in accordance with Article 46 of the UK GDPR or DPA 2018 Section 75) as agreed with the non-transferring Party which could include the International Data Transfer Agreement (the "IDTA"), or International Data Transfer Agreement Addendum to the European Commission's SCCs (the "Addendum"), as published by the Information Commissioner's Office from time to time, as well as any additional measures;
  - c) the Data Subject has enforceable rights and effective legal remedies;
  - the transferring Party complies with its obligations under the Data Protection Legislation by providing an adequate level of protection to any Personal Data that is transferred (or, if it is not so bound, uses its best endeavours to assist the nontransferring Party in meeting its obligations); and

- e) the transferring Party complies with any reasonable instructions notified to it in advance by the non-transferring Party with respect to the processing of the Personal Data; and
- 2.1.12 where the Personal Data is subject to EU GDPR, not transfer such Personal Data outside of the EU unless the prior written consent of non-transferring Party has been obtained and the following conditions are fulfilled:
  - a) the transfer is in accordance with Article 45 of the EU GDPR; or
  - b) the transferring Party has provided appropriate safeguards in relation to the transfer in accordance with Article 46 of the EU GDPR as determined by the non-transferring Party which could include relevant parties entering into Standard Contractual Clauses in the European Commission's decision 2021/914/EU as well as any additional measures;
  - c) the Data Subject has enforceable rights and effective legal remedies;
  - the transferring Party complies with its obligations under the EU GDPR by providing an adequate level of protection to any Personal Data that is transferred (or, if it is not so bound, uses its best endeavours to assist the non-transferring Party in meeting its obligations); and
  - e) the transferring Party complies with any reasonable instructions notified to it in advance by the non-transferring Party with respect to the processing of the Personal Data.
- 2.2 Each Joint Controller shall use its reasonable endeavours to assist the other Controller to comply with any obligations under applicable Data Protection Legislation and shall not perform its obligations under this Annex in such a way as to cause the other Joint Controller to breach any of its obligations under applicable Data Protection Legislation to the extent it is aware, or ought reasonably to have been aware, that the same would be a breach of such obligations

# 3. Data Protection Breach

- 3.1 Without prejudice to Paragraph 3.2, each Party shall notify the other Party promptly and without undue delay, and in any event within 48 hours, upon becoming aware of any Personal Data Breach or circumstances that are likely to give rise to a Personal Data Breach, providing the Buyer and its advisors with:
  - 3.1.1 sufficient information and in a timescale which allows the other Party to meet any obligations to report a Personal Data Breach under the Data Protection Legislation;
  - 3.1.2 all reasonable assistance, including:
    - a) co-operation with the other Party and the Information Commissioner investigating the Personal Data Breach and its cause, containing and recovering the compromised Personal Data and compliance with the applicable guidance;

- b) co-operation with the other Party including using such reasonable endeavours as are directed by the Buyer to assist in the investigation, mitigation and remediation of a Personal Data Breach;
- c) co-ordination with the other Party regarding the management of public relations and public statements relating to the Personal Data Breach; and/or
- d) providing the other Party and to the extent instructed by the other Party to do so, and/or the Information Commissioner investigating the Personal Data Breach, with complete information relating to the Personal Data Breach, including, without limitation, the information set out in Paragraph 3.2.
- 3.2 Each Party shall use all reasonable endeavours to restore, re-constitute and/or reconstruct any Personal Data where it has lost, damaged, destroyed, altered or corrupted as a result of a Personal Data Breach as it was that Party's own data at its own cost with all possible speed and shall provide the other Party with all reasonable assistance in respect of any such Personal Data Breach, including providing the other Party, as soon as possible and within 48 hours of the Personal Data Breach relating to the Personal Data Breach, in particular:
  - 3.2.1 the nature of the Personal Data Breach;
  - 3.2.2 the nature of Personal Data affected;
  - 3.2.3 the categories and number of Data Subjects concerned;
  - 3.2.4 the name and contact details of the Supplier's Data Protection Officer or other relevant contact from whom more information may be obtained;
  - 3.2.5 measures taken or proposed to be taken to address the Personal Data Breach; and
  - 3.2.6 describe the likely consequences of the Personal Data Breach.

### 4. Audit

- 4.1 The Supplier shall permit:
  - 4.1.1 the Buyer, or a third-party auditor acting under the Buyer's direction, to conduct, at the Buyer's cost, data privacy and security audits, assessments and inspections concerning the Supplier's data security and privacy procedures relating to Personal Data, its compliance with this Annex 2 and the Data Protection Legislation; and/or
  - 4.1.2 the Buyer, or a third-party auditor acting under the Buyer's direction, access to premises at which the Personal Data is accessible or at which it is able to inspect any relevant records, including the record maintained under Article 30 UK GDPR by the Supplier so far as relevant to the Contract, and procedures, including premises under the control of any third party appointed by the Supplier to assist in the provision of the Services.

4.2 The Buyer may, in its sole discretion, require the Supplier to provide evidence of the Supplier's compliance with Paragraph 4.1 in lieu of conducting such an audit, assessment or inspection.

#### 5. Impact Assessments

The Parties shall:

- 5.1 provide all reasonable assistance to each other to prepare any Data Protection Impact Assessment as may be required (including provision of detailed information and assessments in relation to Processing operations, risks and measures); and
- 5.2 maintain full and complete records of all Processing carried out in respect of the Personal Data in connection with the Contract, in accordance with the terms of Article 30 UK GDPR.

#### 6. ICO Guidance

The Parties agree to take account of any guidance issued by the Information Commissioner and/or any relevant Central Government Body. The Buyer may on not less than thirty (30) Working Days' notice to the Supplier amend the Contract to ensure that it complies with any guidance issued by the Information Commissioner and/or any relevant Central Government Body.

#### 7. Liabilities for Data Protection Breach

- 7.1 If financial penalties are imposed by the Information Commissioner on either the Buyer or the Supplier for a Personal Data Breach ("**Financial Penalties**") then the following shall occur:
  - 7.1.1 if in the view of the Information Commissioner, the Buyer is responsible for the Personal Data Breach, in that it is caused as a result of the actions or inaction of the Buyer, its employees, agents, contractors (other than the Supplier) or systems and procedures controlled by the Buyer, then the Buyer shall be responsible for the payment of such Financial Penalties. In this case, the Buyer will conduct an internal audit and engage at its reasonable cost when necessary, an independent third party to conduct an audit of any such Personal Data Breach. The Supplier shall provide to the Buyer and its third party investigators and auditors, on request and at the Supplier's reasonable cost, full cooperation and access to conduct a thorough audit of such Personal Data Breach;
  - 7.1.2 if in the view of the Information Commissioner, the Supplier is responsible for the Personal Data Breach, in that it is not a Personal Data Breach that the Buyer is responsible for, then the Supplier shall be responsible for the payment of these Financial Penalties. The Supplier will provide to the Buyer and its auditors, on request and at the Supplier's sole cost, full cooperation and access to conduct a thorough audit of such Personal Data Breach; or
  - 7.1.3 if no view as to responsibility is expressed by the Information Commissioner, then the Buyer and the Supplier shall work together to investigate the relevant Personal Data Breach and allocate responsibility for any Financial Penalties as outlined above, or by agreement to split any financial penalties equally if no responsibility for the Personal Data Breach can be apportioned. In the event that the Parties do not agree such apportionment then such Dispute shall be

referred to the Dispute Resolution Procedure set out in Clause 39 of the Core Terms (Resolving disputes).

- 7.2 If either the Buyer or the Supplier is the defendant in a legal claim brought before a court of competent jurisdiction ("Court") by a third party in respect of a Personal Data Breach, then unless the Parties otherwise agree, the Party that is determined by the final decision of the court to be responsible for the Personal Data Breach shall be liable for the losses arising from such Personal Data Breach. Where both Parties are liable, the liability will be apportioned between the Parties in accordance with the decision of the Court.
- 7.3 In respect of any losses, cost claims or expenses incurred by either Party as a result of a Personal Data Breach (the "Claim Losses"):
  - 7.3.1 if the Buyer is responsible for the relevant Personal Data Breach, then the Buyer shall be responsible for the Claim Losses;
  - 7.3.2 if the Supplier is responsible for the relevant Personal Data Breach, then the Supplier shall be responsible for the Claim Losses: and
  - 7.3.3 if responsibility for the relevant Personal Data Breach is unclear, then the Buyer and the Supplier shall be responsible for the Claim Losses equally.
- 7.4 Nothing in either Paragraph7.2 or Paragraph7.3 shall preclude the Buyer and the Supplier reaching any other agreement, including by way of compromise with a third party complainant or claimant, as to the apportionment of financial responsibility for any Claim Losses as a result of a Personal Data Breach, having regard to all the circumstances of the Personal Data Breach and the legal and financial obligations of the Buyer.

#### 8. Termination

If the Supplier is in material Default under any of its obligations under this Annex 2 (*Joint Controller Agreement*), the Buyer shall be entitled to terminate the Contract by issuing a Termination Notice to the Supplier in accordance with Clause 14 of the Core Terms (Ending the contract).

#### 9. Sub-Processing

In respect of any Processing of Personal Data performed by a third party on behalf of a Party, that Party shall:

- 9.1 carry out adequate due diligence on such third party to ensure that it is capable of providing the level of protection for the Personal Data as is required by the Contract, and provide evidence of such due diligence to the other Party where reasonably requested; and
- 9.2 ensure that a suitable agreement is in place with the third party as required under applicable Data Protection Legislation.

#### 10. Data Retention

The Parties agree to erase Personal Data from any computers, storage devices and storage media that are to be retained as soon as practicable after it has ceased to be necessary for them to retain such Personal Data under applicable Data Protection Legislation and their privacy policy (save to the extent (and for the limited period) that such information needs to be retained by the Party for statutory compliance purposes or as otherwise required by the Contract), and taking all further actions as may be necessary to ensure its compliance with Data Protection Legislation and its privacy policy.

# Schedule 21 (Variation Form)

This form is to be used in order to change a contract in accordance with Clause 28 of the Core Terms (Changing the Contract)

Contract Details				
This variation is	[Buyer] (" <b>the Buyer</b> ")			
between:	And			
	[insert name of Supplier] ("the Supplier")			
Contract name:	[insert name of contract to be changed] ("the Contract")			
Contract reference number:	[insert contract reference number]			
Details of Proposed Variation				
Variation initiated by:	[delete as applicable: Buyer/Supp	lier]		
Variation number:	[insert variation number]			
Date variation is raised:	[insert date]			
Proposed variation				
Reason for the variation:	[insert reason]			
An Impact Assessment shall be provided within:	[insert number] days			
Impact of Variation				
Likely impact of the proposed variation:	[Supplier to insert assessment o	f impact]		
Outcome of Variation				
Contract variation:	This Contract detailed above is varied as follows:			
	• <b>[Buyer to insert</b> original Clauses or Paragraphs to be varied and the changed clause]			
Financial variation:	Original Contract Value:	£ <mark>[insert</mark> amount]		
	Additional cost due to variation: £ [insert amount]			
	New Contract value:	£ [insert amount]		

- 1. This Variation must be agreed and signed by both Parties to the Contract and shall only be effective from the date it is signed by the Buyer
- 2. Words and expressions in this Variation shall have the meanings given to them in the Contract.
- 3. The Contract, including any previous Variations, shall remain effective and unaltered except as amended by this Variation.

Signed by an authorised s	signatory for and on behalf of the Buyer
Signature	
Date	
Name (in Capitals)	
Address	
Signed by an authorised s	signatory to sign for and on behalf of the Supplier
Signature	
Date	
Name (in Capitals)	
Address	

## **Schedule 22 (Insurance Requirements)**

## 1. The insurance you need to have

- 1.1 The Supplier shall take out and maintain or procure the taking out and maintenance of the insurances as set out in the Annex to this Schedule and any other insurances as may be required by applicable Law (together the "Insurances"). The Supplier shall ensure that each of the Insurances is effective no later than the Start Date in respect of those Insurances set out in the Annex to this Schedule and those required by applicable Law; and
- 1.2 The Insurances shall be:
  - 1.2.1 maintained in accordance with Good Industry Practice;
  - 1.2.2 (so far as is reasonably practicable) on terms no less favourable than those generally available to a prudent contractor in respect of risks insured in the international insurance market from time to time;
  - 1.2.3 taken out and maintained with insurers of good financial standing and good repute in the international insurance market; and
  - 1.2.4 maintained until the End Date except in relation to Professional Indemnity where required under the Annex Part C which shall be maintained for at least six (6) years after the End Date.
- 1.3 The Supplier shall ensure that the public and products liability policy contain an indemnity to principals clause under which the Buyer shall be indemnified in respect of claims made against the Buyer in respect of death or bodily injury or third party property damage arising out of or in connection with the Deliverables and for which the Supplier is legally liable.

## 2. How to manage the insurance

- 2.1 Without limiting the other provisions of this Contract, the Supplier shall:
  - 2.1.1 take or procure the taking of all reasonable risk management and risk control measures in relation to Deliverables as it would be reasonable to expect of a prudent contractor acting in accordance with Good Industry Practice, including the investigation and reports of relevant claims to insurers;
  - 2.1.2 promptly notify the insurers in writing of any relevant material fact under any Insurances of which the Supplier is or becomes aware; and
  - 2.1.3 hold all policies in respect of the Insurances and cause any insurance broker effecting the Insurances to hold any insurance slips and other evidence of placing cover representing any of the Insurances to which it is a party.

## 3. What happens if you aren't insured

3.1 The Supplier shall not take any action or fail to take any action or (insofar as is reasonably within its power) permit anything to occur in relation to it which

would entitle any insurer to refuse to pay any claim under any of the Insurances.

3.2 Where the Supplier has failed to purchase or maintain any of the Insurances in full force and effect, the Buyer may elect (but shall not be obliged) following written notice to the Supplier to purchase the relevant Insurances and recover the reasonable premium and other reasonable costs incurred in connection therewith as a debt due from the Supplier.

## 4. Evidence of insurance you must provide

4.1 The Supplier shall upon the Start Date and within 15 Working Days after the renewal of each of the Insurances, provide evidence, in a form satisfactory to the Buyer, that the Insurances are in force and effect and meet in full the requirements of this Schedule.

### 5. Making sure you are insured to the required amount

5.1 The Supplier shall ensure that any Insurances which are stated to have a minimum limit "in the aggregate" are maintained at all times for the minimum limit of indemnity specified in this Contract and if any claims are made which do not relate to this Contract then the Supplier shall notify the Buyer and provide details of its proposed solution for maintaining the minimum limit of indemnity.

### 6. Cancelled Insurance

- 6.1 The Supplier shall notify the Buyer in writing at least five (5) Working Days prior to the cancellation, suspension, termination or non-renewal of any of the Insurances.
- 6.2 The Supplier shall ensure that nothing is done which would entitle the relevant insurer to cancel, rescind or suspend any insurance or cover, or to treat any insurance, cover or claim as voided in whole or part. The Supplier shall use all reasonable endeavours to notify the Buyer (subject to third party confidentiality obligations) as soon as practicable when it becomes aware of any relevant fact, circumstance or matter which has caused, or is reasonably likely to provide grounds to, the relevant insurer to give notice to cancel, rescind, suspend or void any insurance, or any cover or claim under any insurance in whole or in part.

### 7. Insurance claims

- 7.1 The Supplier shall promptly notify to insurers any matter arising from, or in relation to, the Deliverables, or the Contract for which it may be entitled to claim under any of the Insurances. In the event that the Buyer receives a claim relating to or arising out of the Contract or the Deliverables, the Supplier shall co-operate with the Buyer and assist it in dealing with such claims including without limitation providing information and documentation in a timely manner.
- 7.2 Except where the Buyer is the claimant party, the Supplier shall give the Buyer notice within twenty (20) Working Days after any insurance claim in excess of £tbc be determined by the Buyer relating to or arising out of the provision of the Deliverables or this Contract on any of the Insurances or which, but for the

application of the applicable policy excess, would be made on any of the Insurances and (if required by the Buyer) full details of the incident giving rise to the claim.

- 7.3 Where any Insurance requires payment of a premium, the Supplier shall be liable for and shall promptly pay such premium.
- 7.4 Where any Insurance is subject to an excess or deductible below which the indemnity from insurers is excluded, the Supplier shall be liable for such excess or deductible. The Supplier shall not be entitled to recover from the Buyer any sum paid by way of excess or deductible under the Insurances whether under the terms of this Contract or otherwise.

## ANNEX: REQUIRED INSURANCES

- 1. The Supplier shall hold the following standard insurance cover from the contract start date:
- professional indemnity insurance with cover (for a single event or a series of related events and in the aggregate) of not less than one million pounds (£1,000,000);
- 1.2 product liability insurance with cover (for a single event or a series of related events and in the aggregate) of not less than one million pounds (£1,000,000);
- 1.3 public liability 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
- 1.4 employer's liability 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)\*
- \*It is a legal requirement that all companies hold Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance of £5 million as a minimum. Please note this requirement is not applicable to Sole Traders.

# Schedule 25 (Rectification Plan)

Request for [Revised] Rectification Plan			
Details of the Notifiable Default:	[Guidance: Explain the Notifiable Default, with clear schedule and clause references as appropriate]		
Deadline for receiving the [Revised] Rectification Plan:	[add date (minimum 10 days from request)]		
Signed by Buyer:		Date:	
Supplier [Revised] Rectification Plan			
Cause of the Notifiable Default	[add cause]		
Anticipated impact assessment:	[add impact]		
Actual effect of Notifiable Default:	[add effect]		
Steps to be taken to rectification:	Steps	Timescale	
	1.	[date]	
	2.	[date]	
	3.	[date]	
	4.	[date]	
	[]	[date]	
Timescale for complete Rectification of Notifiable Default	[X] Working Days		
Steps taken to prevent recurrence of Notifiable Default	Steps	Timescale	
	1.	[date]	
	2.	[date]	
	3.	[date]	

	4.	[date]	
	[]	[date]	
Signed by the Supplier:		Date:	
Review of Rectification Plan Buyer			
Outcome of review	[Plan Accepted] [Plan Rejected] [Revised Plan Requested]		
Reasons for rejection (if applicable)	[add reasons]		
Signed by Buyer		Date:	

## Schedule 26 (Sustainability)

## Definitions

["Modern Slavery Assessment Tool"	mana	is the modern slavery risk identification and igement tool which can be found online at: //supplierregistration.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/msat]
["Supply Chain Map"	means details of (i) the Supplier, (ii) all Subcontractors and (iii) any other entity that the Supplier is aware is in its supply chain that is not a Subcontractor, setting out at least:	
	(a)	the name, registered office and company registration number of each entity in the supply chain;
	(b)	the function of each entity in the supply chain; and
	(c)	the location of any premises at which an entity in the supply chain carries out a function in the supply chain;]
"Waste Hierarchy"	follow	is prioritisation of waste management in the ving order of preference as set out in the Waste and and Wales) Regulation 2011:
	(d)	Prevention;
	(e)	Preparing for re-use;
	(f)	Recycling;
	(g)	Other Recovery; and
	(1)	

(h) Disposal.

## Part A

## 1. Public Sector Equality Duty

- 1.1. In addition to legal obligations, where the Supplier is providing a Deliverable to which the Public Sector Equality duty applies, the Supplier shall support the Buyer in fulfilling its Public Sector Equality duty under S149 of the Equality Act 2010 by ensuring that it fulfils its obligations under the Contract in a way that seeks to:
  - 1.1.1. eliminate discrimination, harassment or victimisation and any other conduct prohibited by the Equality Act 2010; and

## 1.1.2. advance:

1.1.2.1. equality of opportunity; and

1.1.2.2. good relations,

between those with a protected characteristic (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation, and marriage and civil partnership) and those who do not share it.

### 2. Employment Law

2.1. The Supplier must perform its obligations meeting the requirements of all applicable Law regarding employment.

## 3. Modern Slavery

- 3.1. The Supplier:
  - 3.1.1. shall not use, nor allow its Subcontractors to use forced, bonded or involuntary prison labour;
  - 3.1.2. shall not require any Supplier Staff or Subcontractor Staff to lodge deposits or identity papers with the employer and shall be free to leave their employer after reasonable notice;
  - 3.1.3. warrants and represents that it has not been convicted of any slavery or human trafficking offences anywhere around the world;
  - 3.1.4. warrants that to the best of its knowledge it is not currently under investigation, inquiry or enforcement proceedings in relation to any allegation of slavery or human trafficking offences anywhere around the world;
  - 3.1.5. shall make reasonable enquires to ensure that its officers, employees and Subcontractors have not been convicted of slavery or human trafficking offences anywhere around the world;
  - 3.1.6. shall have and maintain throughout the Term its own policies and procedures to ensure its compliance with the Modern Slavery Act 2015 and include in its contracts with its Subcontractors anti-slavery and human trafficking provisions;
  - 3.1.7. shall implement due diligence procedures to ensure that there is no slavery or human trafficking in any part of its supply chain performing obligations under the Contract;
  - 3.1.8. shall prepare and deliver to the Buyer, an annual slavery and human trafficking report setting out the steps it has taken to ensure that slavery and human trafficking is not taking place in any of its supply chains or in

any part of its business with its annual certification of compliance with this Paragraph 3;

- 3.1.9. shall not use, nor allow its employees or Subcontractors to use physical abuse or discipline, the threat of physical abuse, sexual or other harassment and verbal abuse or other forms of intimidation of its employees or Subcontractors;
- 3.1.10. shall not use or allow child or slave labour to be used by its Subcontractors; and
- 3.1.11. shall report the discovery or suspicion of any slavery or trafficking by it or its Subcontractors to the Buyer and Modern Slavery Helpline.

### 4. Environmental Requirements

- 4.1. The Supplier must perform its obligations meeting in all material respects the requirements of all applicable Laws regarding the environment.
- 4.2. In performing its obligations under the Contract, the Supplier shall, where applicable to the Contract, to the reasonable satisfaction of the Buyer:
  - 4.2.1. prioritise waste management in accordance with the Waste Hierarchy as set out in Law;
  - 4.2.2. be responsible for ensuring that any waste generated by the Supplier and sent for recycling, disposal or other recovery as a consequence of this Contract is taken by a licensed waste carrier to an authorised site for treatment or disposal and that the disposal or treatment of waste complies with the Law; and
  - 4.2.3. ensure that it and any third parties used to undertake recycling, disposal or other recovery as a consequence of this Contract do so in a legally compliant way, and can demonstrate that reasonable checks are undertaken to ensure this on a regular basis and provide relevant data and evidence of recycling, recovery and disposal.
- 4.3. In circumstances that a permit, licence or exemption to carry or send waste generated under this Contract is revoked, the Supplier shall cease to carry or send waste or allow waste to be carried by any Subcontractor until authorisation is obtained from the Environment Agency.
- 4.4. In performing its obligations under the Contract, the Supplier shall to the reasonable satisfaction of the Buyer (where the anticipated Charges in any Contract Year are above £5 million per annum (excluding VAT)), where related to and proportionate to the contract in accordance with PPN 06/21), publish and maintain a credible Carbon Reduction Plan in accordance with PPN 06/21.

4.5. The Supplier shall meet the applicable Government Buying Standards applicable to Deliverables which can be found online at:

<u>https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/sustainable-procurement-the-government-buying-standards-gbs.</u>

### 5. Supplier Code of Conduct

5.1. In February 2019, HM Government published a Supplier Code of Conduct setting out the standards and behaviours expected of suppliers who work with government which can be found online at:

<u>https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_da</u> <u>ta/file/779660/20190220-Supplier\_Code\_of\_Conduct.pdf</u>

The Buyer expects to meet, and expects its suppliers and subcontractors to meet, the standards set out in that Code.

## 6. Reporting

The Supplier shall comply with reasonable requests by the Buyer for information evidencing compliance with any of the requirements in Paragraphs 1-5 of this Part A above within fourteen (14) days of such request, [provided that such requests are limited to [two] per requirement per Contract Year].

## Schedule 27 (Key Subcontractors)

### 1. Restrictions on certain subcontractors

- **1.1** The Supplier is entitled to sub-contract its obligations under the Contract to the Key Subcontractors set out in the Award Form.
- 1.2 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 Award Form. The Buyer may reasonably withhold their consent to the appointment of a Key Subcontractor if it considers that:
  - 1.2.1 the appointment of a proposed Key Subcontractor may prejudice the provision of the Deliverables or may be contrary to its interests;
  - 1.2.2 the proposed Key Subcontractor is unreliable and/or has not provided reliable goods and or reasonable services to its other customers; and/or
  - 1.2.3 the proposed Key Subcontractor employs unfit persons.
- **1.3** The Supplier shall provide the Buyer with the following information in respect of the proposed Key Subcontractor:
  - **1.3.1** the proposed Key Subcontractor's name, registered office and company registration number;
  - 1.3.2 the scope/description of any Deliverables to be provided by the proposed Key Subcontractor;
  - 1.3.3 where the proposed Key Subcontractor is an Affiliate of the Supplier, evidence that demonstrates to the reasonable satisfaction of the Buyer that the proposed Key Sub-Contract has been agreed on "arm's-length" terms;
  - **1.3.4** the Key Sub-Contract price expressed as a percentage of the total projected Charges over the Contract Period; and
  - **1.3.5** (where applicable) Credit Rating Threshold (as defined in Schedule 24 (Financial Difficulties)) of the Key Subcontractor.
- 1.4 If requested by the Buyer, within ten (10) Working Days of receipt of the information provided by the Supplier pursuant to Paragraph 1.3, the Supplier shall also provide:
  - 1.4.1 a copy of the proposed Key Sub-Contract; and
  - 1.4.2 any further information reasonably requested by the Buyer.
- 1.5 The Supplier shall ensure that each new or replacement Key Sub-Contract shall include:
  - 1.5.1 provisions which will enable the Supplier to discharge its obligations under the Contract;
  - 1.5.2 a right under CRTPA for the Buyer to enforce any provisions under the Key Sub-Contract which confer a benefit upon the Buyer;

- 1.5.3 a provision enabling the Buyer to enforce the Key Sub-Contract as if it were the Supplier;
- 1.5.4 a provision enabling the Supplier to assign, novate or otherwise transfer any of its rights and/or obligations under the Key Sub-Contract to the Buyer;
- 1.5.5 obligations no less onerous on the Key Subcontractor than those imposed on the Supplier under the Contract in respect of:
  - a) the data protection requirements set out in Clause 18 (Data protection);
  - b) the FOIA and other access request requirements set out in Clause 20 (When you can share information);
  - c) the obligation not to embarrass the Buyer or otherwise bring 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);
- 1.5.6 provisions enabling the Supplier to terminate the Key Sub-Contract on notice on terms no more onerous on the Supplier than those imposed on the Buyer under Clauses 14.4 (When the Buyer can end this contract) and 14.5 (What happens if the contract ends) of this Contract;
- 1.5.7 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 the Buyer; and
- 1.5.8 a provision enabling the Supplier, the Buyer or any other person on behalf of the Buyer to step-in on substantially the same terms as are set out in Clause 13 (Step-in rights).
- **1.6** The Supplier shall not terminate or materially amend the terms of any Key Sub-Contract without the Buyer's prior written consent, which shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed.