Digital Outcomes and Specialists 4 Framework Agreement Call-Off Contract

This Call-Off Contract for the Digital Outcomes and Specialists 4 Framework Agreement (RM1043.6) includes

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The Order Form (Part A), the Terms and Conditions (Part B), and the Schedules (Part C) will become the binding contract after the Further Competition Process has been concluded. Specific details will be added after the award of the Framework Agreement. The Order Form may include:

- Buyer and Supplier details
- contract term
- deliverables
- location
- warranties
- staffing needs
- staff vetting procedure
- notice period for termination
- standards required (including security requirements)
- charges, invoicing method, payment methods and payment terms
- additional Buyer terms and conditions
- insurances
- business continuity and disaster recovery
- security
- governance
- methodology
- Buyer and Supplier responsibilities

During the lifetime of the Framework Agreement, the Call-Off Contract Order Form template will be regularly updated to ensure that it continues to meet user needs.

Part A - Order Form

Part A - Order Form		
Buyer	HMRC	
Supplier	Cognizant Worldwide Limited	
Call-Off Contract Ref.	SR512710775	
Call-Off Contract title	DPS Data Acquisition Preparation & Management (Emerging Technologies)	
Call-Off Contract description	Provision of Data Acquisition, Preparation and Management expertise to simplify, consolidate and transform HMRC's large and complex legacy Data Analytics estate acknowledging emerging technologies.	
Call-Off Contract period		
Start date	01/03/2021 and is valid for 16 months	
End date	30/06/2022	
Latest Extension Period End Date	Maximum 8 months	
Notice period (prior to the initial Call-Off Contract period) to trigger Call-Off Contract Extension	30 days	
Call-Off Contract value	Maximum value up to £3,000,000 (excluding VAT)	
Charging method	Capped time and materials (CTM) Price per story Time and materials (T&M) Fixed price Other pricing method or a combination of pricing methods agreed by the Parties	

Notice period for termination for convenience	60 days
Initial SOW package	The template SOW can be found at Schedule 3. This template outlines the structure for each SOW. The description of requirement and Deliverables will vary for each SOW. The initial SOW will be a Discovery based Project and the details will be agreed within a month of the signing of this Call-Off Contract. The maximum period for a fully costed SOW will be 10 Working Days from the date of the initial request. Within 2 Working Days of the Buyer accepting the SOW, the Supplier will provide a reasonable estimate of when the SOW is expected to commence. The maximum period for the Services to commence will be 10 Working Days following agreement of the content of each SOW.

This Order Form is issued in accordance with the Digital Outcomes and Specialists Framework Agreement (RM1043.6).

Project reference:	DOS13531-SR512710775
Buyer reference:	SR512710775
Order date: 26/02/2021	
Purchase order: To be provided with each Statement of Works.	
From:	REDACTED
То:	REDACTED
Together:	the "Parties"

Principal contact details

For the Buyer:	Name:	REDACTED
	Title:	REDACTED

	Email:	REDACTED
	Phone:	REDACTED
For the	Name:	REDACTED
Supplier:	Title:	REDACTED
	Email:	REDACTED
	Phone:	REDACTED

Data Protection Officers

For the Buyer:	Name:	REDACTED
	Title:	REDACTED
	Email:	REDACTED
	Phone:	REDACTED
For the supplier:	Name:	REDACTED
	Title:	REDACTED
	Email:	REDACTED
	Phone:	REDACTED

Buyer contractual requirements		
Digital outcomes and specialists services required:	Provision of Data Acquisition, Preparation and Management expertise to simplify, consolidate and transform HMRC's large and complex legacy Data Analytics estate acknowledging emerging technologies.	
	A summary of the work will include, but not limited to, the following: Summary of the work Provide impact assessments Demand Management Delivery Management including testing & rollback capabilities Business Requirements Solution Design ETL (Extract-Transform-Load) Code Delivery Virtual databases code delivery Incident/problem management Change management Batch operation -support/recovery	

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	Event Management–Provide support when required HPI Management-Provide support when required Change Management–Evaluate change within SLA's Capacity/performance management Knowledge management.	
Warranty period	60 days from the date of Buyer acceptance of release.	
Location:	REDACTED	
Staff vetting procedures:	The level of clearance for this requirement is: The minimum level of clearance for this requirement is BPSS before employment commences and resources come on site. Must be SC eligible. SC process can start after employment commences.	
	Some staff must be DV eligible.	
	Any clearance costs incurred are to be met by supplier.	
Standards:	Contained within the SOW	
Limit on Supplier's liability:	REDACTED	
Insurance:	REDACTED	
Supplier's information		
Commercially sensitive information:	REDACTED	
Subcontractors / Partners:	N/A	
Call-Off Contract Charges and payment		
The method of payment for the Call-Off Contract Charges (GPC or BACS)	BACS	
Invoice (including Electronic Invoice) details	The supplier will issue electronic invoices as agreed in the individual statements of work. The buyer will pay the supplier within 30 days of receipt of a valid invoice.	
Who and where to send invoices to:	Invoices will be sent to HMRC via the Ariba Network.	
Invoice information required – eg PO, project ref, etc.	All invoices must include purchase order/limit order detail.	
Invoice frequency	In line with Statement of Works.	
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Call-Off Contract value:	Maximum value up to £3,000,000 (excluding VAT)	
Charges and payment gateway	REDACTED	

Call-Off Contract Charges:

REDACTED

Additional Buyer terms

Warranties, representations and acceptance criteria	N/A	
Supplemental requirements in addition to the call-off terms	The Supplier will comply with the Authority's mandatory terms as set out in Schedule 12 of this Call-Off Contract.	
Buyer specific amendments to/refinements of the Call-Off Contract terms	Expenses Travel may be expected between the other Delivery Group and Client sites. Expenses will be paid as per agreed HMRC expenses policy.	
	. Travel to and from the Primary Locations will be met from the day rate.	
	Expenses are payable where travel to other locations is required as part of the assignment forming part of this agreement. Where an overnight stay is required HMRC will pay for actual bed and breakfast costs within the current maximum limits detailed below. Any other subsistence or incidental expenses are not payable. Receipts must be provided.	
	All other expenses will be payable at the discretion of HMRC. The Contractor shall not incur such expenses without the prior approval of the HMRC Work Manager. Any expense incurred by the Contractor without prior approval shall not be reimbursed.	

Short-term Night Subsistence Allowances Bed and Breakfast Capped Rates Effective from 01/04/2017 Location Maximum nightly rate within £130 per night London M25 (excluding Heathrow Airport) Bristol; Heathrow Airport £100 per night Oxford; Portsmouth £90 per night £90 per night Elsewhere Travel Mileage allowance 25 pence per mile Rail Travel Standard Class Air Travel **Economy Class** Specific terms: N/A

Formation of Contract

1.1 By signing and returning this Order Form (Part A), the Supplier agrees to enter into a Call-Off Contract with the Buyer.

- 1.2The Parties agree that they have read the Order Form (Part A), the Call-Off Contract terms and conditions (Part B), and the Schedules (Part C), and by signing below agree to be bound by this Call-Off Contract.
- 1.3 In accordance with the Further Competition procedure set out in Section 3 of the Framework Agreement, this Call-Off Contract will be formed when the Buyer acknowledges the receipt of the signed copy of the Order Form from the Supplier (the "call-off effective date").
- 1.4 The Call-Off Contract outlines the Deliverables of the agreement. The Order Form outlines any amendment of the terms and conditions set out in Part B. The terms and conditions of the Call-Off Contract Order Form will supersede those of the Call-Off Contract standard terms and conditions.

2. Background to the agreement

- (A) The Supplier is a provider of digital outcomes and specialists services and undertook to provide such Services under the terms set out in Framework Agreement number RM1043.6 (the "Framework Agreement").
- (B) The Buyer served an Order Form for Services to the Supplier on the Order Date stated in the Order Form.
- (C) The Parties intend that this Call-Off Contract will not itself oblige the Buyer to buy or the Supplier to supply the Services. Specific instructions and requirements will have contractual effect on the execution of an SOW.

SIGNED:

	Supplier:	Buyer:
Name:	REDACTED	REDACTED
Title:	REDACTED	REDACTED
Signature:	REDACTED	REDACTED
Date:	REDACTED	REDACTED

Part B - Terms and conditions

- 1. Call-Off Contract start date, length and methodology
- 1.1 The Supplier will start providing the Services in accordance with the dates specified in any Statement of Work (SOW).
- 1.2 Completion dates for Deliverables will be set out in any SOW.
- 1.3 Unless the Call-Off Contract period has been either increased in accordance with Clause 1.4 or decreased in accordance with Clause 1.5 then the term of the Call-Off Contract will end when the first of these occurs:
 - the Call-Off Contract period End Date listed in the Order Form is reached; or
 - the final Deliverable, specified in the final SOW, is completed.
- 1.4 The Buyer can extend the term of the Call-Off Contract by amending the Call-Off Contract End Date where:
 - an Extension Period was specified in the Order Form; and
 - written notice was given to the Supplier before the expiry of the notice period set out in the Order Form. The notice must state that the Call-Off Contract term will be extended, and must specify the number of whole days of the extension.

After this, the term of the Call-Off Contract will end on the last day of the Extension Period listed in the notice (the "Extension Period End Date").

- 1.5 If the Call-Off Contract is terminated early, either during the initial Call-Off Contract period, or during any Extension Period, the term of the Call-Off Contract will end on the termination date.
- 1.6 The Supplier will plan on using an agile process, starting with user needs. The methodology will be outlined in the SOW. Waterfall methodology will only be used in exceptional circumstances, and where it can be shown to best meet user needs. Projects may need a combination of both waterfall and agile methods, playing to their respective strengths.

2. Supplier Staff

- 2.1 The Supplier Staff will:
 - fulfil all reasonable requests of the Buyer;
 - apply all due skill, care and diligence to the provisions of the Services;

- be appropriately experienced, qualified and trained to supply the Services;
- respond to any enquiries about the Services as soon as reasonably possible;
- complete any necessary vetting procedures specified by the Buyer.
- 2.2 The Supplier will ensure that Key Staff are assigned to provide the Services for their Working Days (agreed between Supplier and Buyer) and are not removed from the Services during the dates specified in the relevant SOW without the prior written approval of the Buyer.
- 2.3 The Supplier will promptly replace any Key Staff that the Buyer considers unsatisfactory at no extra charge. The Supplier will promptly replace anyone who resigns with someone who is acceptable to the Buyer. If the Supplier cannot provide an acceptable replacement, the Buyer may terminate the Call-Off Contract subject to clause 23.
- 2.4 Supplier Staff will comply with Buyer requirements for the conduct of staff when on Buyer's premises.
- 2.5 The Supplier will comply with the Buyer's staff vetting procedures for all or part of the Supplier Staff.
- 2.6 The Supplier will, on request (and subject to any obligations under the Data Protection Legislation), provide a copy of the contract of employment or engagement (between the Supplier and the Supplier Staff) for every member of Supplier Staff made available to the Buyer.

3. Swap-out

- 3.1 Supplier Staff providing the Services may only be swapped out with the prior approval of the Buyer. For this approval, the Buyer will consider:
 - the provisions of Clause 2.1; and
 - their Statement of Requirements and the Supplier's response.

4. Staff vetting procedures

- 4.1 All Supplier Staff will need to be cleared to the level determined by the Buyer prior to the commencement of work.
- 4.2 The Buyer may stipulate differing clearance levels for different roles during the Call-Off Contract period.
- 4.3 The Supplier will ensure that it complies with any additional staff vetting procedures requested by the Buyer.

5. Due diligence

- 5.1 Both Parties acknowledge that information will be needed to provide the Services throughout the term of the Call-Off Contract and not just during the Further Competition process. Both Parties agree to share such information freely.
- 5.2 Further to Clause 5.1, both Parties agree that when entering into a Call-Off Contract, they:
 - 5.2.1 have made their own enquiries and are satisfied by the accuracy of any information supplied by the other Party
 - 5.2.2 are confident that they can fulfil their obligations according to the terms of the Call-Off Contract
 - 5.2.3 have raised all due diligence questions before signing the Call-Off Contract
 - 5.2.4 have entered into the Call-Off Contract relying on its own due diligence

6. Warranties, representations and acceptance criteria

- 6.1 The Supplier will use the best applicable and available techniques and standards and will perform the Call-Off Contract with all reasonable care, skill and diligence, and according to Good Industry Practice.
- 6.2 The Supplier warrants that all Supplier Staff assigned to the performance of the Services have the necessary qualifications, skills and experience for the proper performance of the Services.
- 6.3 The Supplier represents and undertakes to the Buyer that each Deliverable will meet the Buyer's acceptance criteria, as defined within each Statement of Works within the Call-Off Contract Order Form.
- 6.4 The Supplier undertakes to maintain any interface and interoperability between third-party software or Services and software or Services developed by the Supplier.
- 6.5 The Supplier warrants that it has full capacity and authority and all necessary authorisations, consents, licences and permissions to perform the Call-Off Contract.

7. Business continuity and disaster recovery

7.1 If required by the Buyer, the Supplier will ensure a disaster recovery approach is captured in a clear disaster recovery plan. All Supplier Staff must also adhere to the Buyer's business continuity and disaster recovery procedure as required in the delivery of the Services for this project.

8. Payment terms and VAT

- 8.1 The Buyer will pay the Supplier within 30 days of receipt of an Electronic Invoice subject to the provisions of Clauses 8.5 and 8.6 or a valid invoice submitted in accordance with the Call-Off Contract.
- 8.2 The Supplier will ensure that each invoice or Electronic Invoice contains the information specified by the Buyer in the Order Form.
- 8.3 The Call-Off Contract Charges are deemed to include all Charges for payment processing. All invoices and Electronic Invoices submitted to the Buyer for the Services shall be exclusive of any Management Charge.
- 8.4 All payments under the Call-Off Contract are inclusive of VAT.
- 8.5 The Buyer shall accept and process for payment an Electronic Invoice submitted for payment by the Supplier where the invoice is undisputed and where it complies with the standard on electronic invoicing and has been successfully approved through the appropriate payment gateway progression.
- 8.6 For the purposes of Clause 8.5 an Electronic Invoice complies with the standard on electronic invoicing where it complies with the European standard and any of the syntaxes published in Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2017/1870.

9. Recovery of sums due and right of set-off

9.1 The Buyer may retain or set-off payment of any amount owed to it by the Supplier if notice and reasons are provided.

10. Insurance

The Supplier will maintain the insurances required by the Buyer including those set out in this Clause.

10.1 Subcontractors

- 10.1.1 The Supplier will ensure that, during the Call-Off Contract, Subcontractors hold third-party public and products liability insurance of the same amounts that the Supplier would be legally liable to pay as damages, including claimant's costs and expenses, for accidental death or bodily injury and loss of or damage to Property, to a minimum of £5,000,000.
- 10.2 Agents and professional consultants
 - 10.2.1 The Supplier will also ensure that all agents and professional consultants involved in the supply of Services hold professional indemnity insurance to a minimum indemnity of £1,000,000 for each individual claim during the Call-Off

Contract, and for 6 years after the termination or expiry date to the Call-Off Contract to which the insurance relates.

10.3 Additional or extended insurance

- 10.3.1 If requested by the Buyer, the Supplier will obtain additional insurance policies, or extend existing insurance policies procured under the Framework Agreement.
- 10.3.2 The Supplier will provide CCS and the Buyer, the following evidence that they have complied with Clause 10.3.1 above:
 - a broker's verification of insurance; or
 - receipts in respect of the insurance premium; or
 - other satisfactory evidence of payment of the latest premiums due.

10.4 Supplier liabilities

- 10.4.1 Insurance will not relieve the Supplier of any liabilities under the Framework Agreement or the Call-Off Contract.
- 10.4.2 Without limiting the other provisions of the Call-Off Contract, the Supplier will:
 - take all risk control measures relating to the Services as it would be reasonable to expect of a contractor acting in accordance with Good Industry Practice, including the investigation and reports of claims to insurers;
 - promptly notify the insurers in writing of any relevant material fact under any insurances of which the Supplier is, or becomes, aware; and
 - hold all insurance policies and require any broker arranging the insurance to hold any insurance slips and other evidence of placing cover representing any of the insurance to which it is a Party.
- 10.4.3 The Supplier will not do or omit to do anything, which would entitle any insurer to refuse to pay any claim under any of the insurances.

10.5 Indemnity to principals

- 10.5.1 Where specifically outlined in the Call-Off Contract, the Supplier will ensure that the third-party public and products liability policy will contain an 'indemnity to principals' clause under which the Buyer will be compensated for both of the following claims against the Buyer:
 - death or bodily injury; and
 - third-party Property damage arising from connection with the Services and for which the Supplier is legally liable.
- 10.6 Cancelled, suspended, terminated or unrenewed policies
 - 10.6.1 The Supplier will notify CCS and any Buyers as soon as possible if the Supplier becomes aware that any of the insurance policies have been, or are due to be, cancelled, suspended, terminated or not renewed.

- 10.7 Premium, excess and deductible payments
 - 10.7.1 Where any insurance requires payment of a premium, the Supplier will:
 - be liable for the premium; and
 - pay such premium promptly.
 - 10.7.2 Where any insurance is subject to an excess or deductible below the Supplier will be liable for it. The Supplier will not be entitled to recover any sum paid for insurance excess or any deductible from CCS or the Buyer.

11. Confidentiality

- Except where disclosure is clearly permitted by the Call-Off Contract, neither Party will disclose the other Party's Confidential Information without the relevant Party's prior written consent.
- 11.2 Disclosure of Confidential Information is permitted where information:
 - must be disclosed to comply with legal obligations placed on the Party making the disclosure
 - belongs to the Party making the disclosure (who is not under any obligation of confidentiality) before its disclosure by the information owner
 - was obtained from a third party who is not under any obligation of confidentiality, before receiving it from the disclosing Party
 - is, or becomes, public knowledge, other than by breach of this Clause or the Call-Off Contract
 - is independently developed without access to the other Party's Confidential Information
 - is disclosed to obtain confidential legal professional advice.
- 11.3 The Buyer may disclose the Supplier's Confidential Information:
 - to any central government body on the basis that the information may only be further disclosed to central government bodies;
 - to the UK Parliament, Scottish Parliament or Welsh or Northern Ireland Assemblies, including their committees;
 - if the Buyer (acting reasonably) deems disclosure necessary or appropriate while carrying out its public functions:
 - on a confidential basis to exercise its rights or comply with its obligations under the Call-Off Contract: or
 - to a proposed transferee, assignee or novatee of, or successor in title to, the Buyer.
- 11.4 References to disclosure on a confidential basis will mean disclosure subject to a confidentiality agreement or arrangement containing the same terms as those placed on the Buyer under this Clause.
- The Supplier may only disclose the Buyer's Confidential Information to Supplier 11.5 Staff who are directly involved in the provision of the Services and who need to know the Digital Outcomes and Specialists 4 Framework Agreement Call-Off Contract v2

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information to provide the Services. The Supplier will ensure that its Supplier Staff will comply with these obligations.

- 11.6 Either Party may use techniques, ideas or knowledge gained during the Call-Off Contract unless the use of these things results in them disclosing the other Party's Confidential Information where such disclosure is not permitted by the Framework Agreement, or is an infringement of Intellectual Property Rights.
- 11.7 Information about orders placed by a Buyer (including pricing information and the terms of any Call-Off Contract) may be published by CCS and may be shared with other Buyers. Where Confidential Information is shared with other Buyers, CCS will notify the recipient of the information that its contents are confidential.

12. Conflict of Interest

- 12.1 The Supplier will take all appropriate steps to ensure that Supplier Staff are not in a position where there is or may be an actual conflict between the financial or personal interests of the Supplier Staff and another Supplier where both are providing the Services to the Buyer under any Call-Off Contract in accordance with the Framework Agreement.
- 12.2 Any breach of this Clause will be deemed to be a Material Breach.
- 12.3 A conflict of interest may arise in situations including where a member of the Supplier Staff:
 - is related to someone in another Supplier team who both form part of the same team performing the Services under the Framework Agreement;
 - has a business interest in another Supplier who is part of the same team performing the Services under the Framework Agreement;
 - is providing, or has provided, Services to the Buyer for the discovery phase; or
 - has been provided with, or had access to, information which would give the Supplier or an affiliated company an unfair advantage in a Further Competition procedure.
- 12.4 Where the Supplier identifies a risk of a conflict or potential conflict, they will (before starting work under the Call-Off Contract, unless otherwise agreed with the Buyer) inform the Buyer of such conflicts of interest and how they plan to mitigate the risk. Details of such mitigation arrangements are to be sent to the Buyer as soon as possible. On receiving this notification, the Buyer will, at its sole discretion, notify the Supplier if the mitigation arrangements are acceptable or whether the risk or conflict remains a Material Breach.

13. Intellectual Property Rights

13.1 Unless otherwise specified in the Call-Off Contract:

- the Buyer will not have any right to the Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs) of the Supplier or its licensors, including the Supplier Background IPRs and any IPRs in the Supplier Software.
- the Buyer may publish any Deliverable that is software as open source.
- the Supplier will not, without prior written approval from the Buyer, include any Supplier Background IPR or third party IPR in any Deliverable in such a way to prevent its publication and failure to seek prior approval gives the Buyer the right to use all Deliverables.
- the Supplier assigns (by present assignment of future rights to take effect immediately on it coming into existence) to the Buyer with full guarantee (or shall procure assignment to the Buyer), title to and all rights and interest in the Project-Specific IPRs together with and including any documentation, source code and object code comprising the Project-Specific IPRs and all build instructions, test instructions, test scripts, test data, operating instructions and other documents and tools necessary for maintaining and supporting the Project-Specific IPRs.
- the Supplier will not have any right to the Intellectual Property Rights of the Buyer or its licensors, including:
 - the Buyer Background IPRs;
 - the Project-Specific IPRs;
 - IPRs in the Buyer Data.
- 13.2 Where either Party acquires, by operation of Law, rights to IPRs that are inconsistent with the allocation of rights set out above, it will assign in writing such IPRs as it has acquired to the other Party.
- 13.3 Except where necessary for the performance of the Call-Off Contract (and only where the Buyer has given its prior approval), the Supplier will not use or disclose any of the Buyer Background IPRs, Buyer Data or the Project-Specific IPRs to or for the benefit of any third party.
- 13.4 The Supplier will not include any Supplier Background IPRs or third-party IPRs in any release or Deliverable that is to be assigned to the Buyer under the Call-Off Contract, without approval from the Buyer.
- 13.5 The Supplier will grant the Buyer (and any replacement Supplier) a perpetual, transferable, sub-licensable, non-exclusive, royalty-free licence to copy, modify, disclose and use the Supplier Background IPRs for any purpose connected with the receipt of the Services that is additional to the rights granted to the Buyer under the Call-Off Contract and to enable the Buyer:
 - to receive the Services:
 - to make use of the Services provided by the replacement Supplier; and
 - to use any Deliverables

and where the Supplier is unable to provide such a licence it must meet the requirement by creating new Project-Specific IPR at no additional cost to the Buyer.

13.6 The Buyer grants the Supplier a non-exclusive, non-assignable, royalty-free licence to use the Buyer Background IPRs, the Buyer Data and the Project-Specific IPRs during

the term of the Call-Off Contract for the sole purpose of enabling the Supplier to provide the Services.

- 13.7 The Buyer gives no warranty as to the suitability of any IPRs licensed to the Supplier hereunder. Any such licence:
 - may include the right to grant sub-licences to Subcontractors engaged in providing any of the Services (or part thereof) provided that any such Subcontractor has entered into a confidentiality undertaking with the Supplier on the same terms as in clause 11 (Confidentiality) and that any such subcontracts will be non-transferable and personal to the relevant Subcontractor; and
 - is granted solely to the extent necessary for the provision of the Services in accordance with the Call-Off Contract. The Supplier will ensure that the Subcontractors do not use the licensed materials for any other purpose.
- 13.8 The Supplier will ensure that no unlicensed software or open source software (other than the open source software specified by the Buyer) is interfaced with or embedded within any Buyer Software or Deliverable.
- 13.9 Before using any third-party IPRs related to the supply of the Services, the Supplier will submit to the Buyer for approval, all details of any third-party IPRs.
- 13.10 Where the Supplier is granted permission to use third-party IPRs in a request for approval, the Supplier will ensure that the owner of such third-party IPRs grants to the Buyer a licence on the terms informed to the Buyer in the request for approval.
- 13.11 If the third-party IPR is made available on terms equivalent to the Open Government Licence v3.0, the request for approval will be agreed and the Supplier will buy licences under these terms. If not, the Supplier shall notify the Buyer in writing giving details of what licence terms can be obtained and other alternatives and no third-party IPRs may be used without Buyer approval in writing.
- 13.12 The Supplier will, on written demand, fully indemnify the Buyer and the Crown for all losses which it may incur at any time as a result of any claim (whether actual alleged asserted and/or substantiated and including third party claims) that the rights granted to the Buyer in accordance with the Call-Off Contract or the performance by the Supplier of the provision of the Services or the possession or use by the Buyer of the Services or Deliverables delivered by the Supplier, including the publication of any Deliverable that is software as open source, infringes or allegedly infringes a third party's Intellectual Property Rights (an 'IPR Claim').
- 13.13 Clause 13.12 will not apply if the IPR Claim arises from:
 - designs supplied by the Buyer;
 - the use of data supplied by the Buyer which is not required to be verified by the Supplier under any provision of the Call-Off Contract; or
 - other material provided by the Buyer necessary for the provision of the Services.
- 13.14 The indemnity given in Clause 13.12 will be uncapped.

- 13.15 The Buyer will notify the Supplier in writing of the IPR Claim made against the Buyer and the Buyer will not make any admissions which may be prejudicial to the defence or settlement of the IPR Claim. The Supplier will at its own expense conduct all negotiations and any litigation arising in connection with the IPR Claim provided always that the Supplier:
 - consults the Buyer on all substantive issues which arise during the conduct of such litigation and negotiations;
 - takes due and proper account of the interests of the Buyer;
 - considers and defends the IPR Claim diligently using competent counsel and in such a way as not to bring the reputation of the Buyer into disrepute; and
 - does not settle or compromise the IPR Claim without the prior approval of the Buyer (such decision not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed).
- 13.16 If an IPR Claim is made (or in the reasonable opinion of the Supplier is likely to be made) in connection with the Call-Off Contract, the Supplier will, at the Supplier's own expense and subject to the prompt approval of the Buyer, use its best endeavours to:
 - modify the relevant part of the Services or Deliverables without reducing their functionality or performance, or substitute Services or Deliverables of equivalent functionality or performance, to avoid the infringement or the alleged infringement, provided that there is no additional cost or burden to the Buyer;
 - buy a licence to use and supply the Services or Deliverables, which are the subject of the alleged infringement, on terms which are acceptable to the Buyer; and
 - promptly perform any responsibilities and obligations to do with the Call-Off Contract.
- 13.17 If an IPR Claim is made (or in the reasonable opinion of the Supplier is likely to be made) against the Supplier, the Supplier will immediately notify the Buyer in writing.
- 13.18 If the Supplier does not comply with provisions of this Clause within 20 Working Days of receipt of notification by the Supplier from the Buyer under clause 13.15 or receipt of the notification by the Buyer from the Supplier under clause 13.17 (as appropriate), the Buyer may terminate the Call-Off Contract for Material Breach and the Supplier will, on demand, refund the Buyer with all monies paid for the Service or Deliverable that is subject to the IPR Claim.
- 13.19 The Supplier will have no rights to use any of the Buyer's names, logos or trademarks without the Buyer's prior written approval.
- 13.20 The Supplier will, as an enduring obligation throughout the term of the Call-Off Contract where any software is used in the provision of the Services or information uploaded, interfaced or exchanged with the CCS or Buyer systems, use software and the most up-to-date antivirus definitions from an industry-accepted antivirus software vendor. It will use the software to check for, contain the spread of, and minimise the impact of Malicious Software (or as otherwise agreed between CCS or the Buyer, and the Supplier).

- 13.21 If Malicious Software is found, the Supplier will co-operate with the Buyer to reduce the effect of the Malicious Software. If Malicious Software causes loss of operational efficiency or loss or corruption of Buyer Data, the Supplier will use all reasonable endeavours to help the Buyer to mitigate any losses and restore the provision of the Services to the desired operating efficiency as soon as possible.
- 13.22 Any costs arising from the actions of the Buyer or Supplier taken in compliance with the provisions of the above clause, and clause 20.3, will be dealt with by the Buyer and the Supplier as follows:
 - by the Supplier, where the Malicious Software originates from the Supplier Software or the Buyer Data while the Buyer Data was under the control of the Supplier, unless the Supplier can demonstrate that such Malicious Software was present and not quarantined or otherwise identified by the Buyer when provided to the Supplier.
 - by the Buyer if the Malicious Software originates from the Buyer Software or the Buyer Data, while the Buyer Data was under the control of the Buyer.
- 13.23 All Deliverables that are software shall be created in a format, or able to be converted into a format, which is suitable for publication by the Buyer as open source software, unless otherwise agreed by the Buyer, and shall be based on open standards where applicable. The Supplier warrants that the Deliverables:
 - are suitable for release as open source;
 - have been developed using reasonable endeavours to ensure that their publication by the Buyer shall not cause any harm or damage to any party using them:
 - do not contain any material which would bring the Buyer into disrepute;
 - can be published as open source without breaching the rights of any third party; and
 - do not contain any Malicious Software.
- 13.24 Where Deliverables that are software are written in a format that requires conversion before publication as open source software, the Supplier shall also provide the converted format to the Buyer unless the Buyer agrees in advance in writing that the converted format is not required.
- 13.25 Where the Buyer has authorised a Supplier request not to make an aspect of the Deliverable open source, the Supplier shall as soon as reasonably practicable provide written details of what will not be made open source and what impact that exclusion will have on the ability of the Buyer to use the Deliverable and Project Specific IPRs going forward as open source.
- 13.26 The Buyer may assign, novate or otherwise transfer its rights and obligations under the licences granted pursuant to this clause to:
 - a Central Government Body; or

• to any body (including any private sector body) which performs or carries on any of the functions and/or activities that previously had been performed and/or carried on by the Buyer.

If the Buyer ceases to be a Central Government Body, the successor body to the Buyer shall still be entitled to the benefit of the licences granted in this clause.

14. Data Protection and Disclosure

- 14.1 The Parties will comply with the Data Protection Legislation and agree that the Buyer is the Controller and the Supplier is the Processor. The only processing the Supplier is authorised to do is listed at Schedule 9 unless Law requires otherwise (in which case the Supplier will promptly notify the Buyer of any additional processing if permitted by Law).
- 14.2 The Supplier will provide all reasonable assistance to the Buyer to prepare any Data Protection Impact Assessment before commencing any processing (including provision of detailed information and assessments in relation to processing operations, risks and measures) and must notify the Buyer immediately if it considers that the Buyer's instructions infringe the Data Protection Legislation.
- 14.3 The Supplier must have in place Protective Measures, which have been reviewed and approved by the Buyer as appropriate, to guard against a Data Loss Event, which take into account the nature of the data, the harm that might result, the state of technology and the cost of implementing the measures.
- 14.4 The Supplier will ensure that the Supplier Personnel only process Personal Data in accordance with this Call-Off Contract and take all reasonable steps to ensure the reliability and integrity of Supplier Personnel with access to Personal Data, including by ensuring they:
 - i) are aware of and comply with the Supplier's obligations under this Clause;
 - ii) are subject to appropriate confidentiality undertakings with the Supplier or relevant Subprocessor
 - iii) are informed of the confidential nature of the Personal Data and don't publish, disclose or divulge it to any third party unless directed by the Buyer or in accordance with this Call-Off Contract
 - iv) are given training in the use, protection and handling of Personal Data
- 14.5 The Supplier will not transfer Personal Data outside of the European Economic Area unless the prior written consent of the Buyer has been obtained and the following conditions are met:

- i) the Buyer or the Supplier has provided appropriate safeguards in relation to the transfer (whether in accordance with GDPR Article 46 or LED Article 37) as determined by the Buyer;
- ii) the Data Subject has enforceable rights and effective legal remedies;
- the Supplier 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 Buyer in meeting its obligations); and
- iv) the Supplier complies with any reasonable instructions notified to it in advance by the Buyer with respect to the processing of the Personal Data
- 14.6 The Supplier will delete or return the Buyer's Personal Data (including copies) if requested in writing by the Buyer at the termination or expiry of this Call-Off Contract, unless required to retain the Personal Data by Law.
- 14.7 The Supplier will notify the Buyer immediately if it receives any communication from a third party relating to the Parties' obligations under the Data Protection Legislation, or it becomes aware of a Data Loss Event, and will provide the Buyer with full and ongoing assistance in relation to each Party's obligations under the Data Protection Legislation in accordance with any timescales reasonably required by the Buyer.
- 14.8 The Supplier will maintain complete and accurate records and information to demonstrate its compliance with this clause. This requirement does not apply where the Supplier employs fewer than 250 staff, unless:
 - i) the Buyer determines that the processing is not occasional;
 - ii) the Buyer determines the processing includes special categories of data as referred to in Article 9(1) of the GDPR or Personal Data relating to criminal convictions and offences referred to in Article 10 of the GDPR; and
 - ii) the Buyer determines that the processing is likely to result in a risk to the rights and freedoms of Data Subjects.
- 14.9 Before allowing any Subprocessor to process any Personal Data related to this Call-Off Contract, the Supplier must obtain the prior written consent of the Buyer, and shall remain fully liable for the acts and omissions of any Subprocessor.

14.10 The Buyer may amend this Call-Off Contract on not less than 30 Working Days' notice to the Supplier to ensure that it complies with any guidance issued by the Information Commissioner's Office.

15. Buyer Data

- 15.1 The Supplier will not remove any proprietary notices relating to the Buyer Data.
- 15.2 The Supplier will not store or use Buyer Data except where necessary to fulfil its obligations.
- 15.3 If Buyer Data is processed by the Supplier, the Supplier will supply the data to the Buyer as requested and in the format specified by the Buyer.
- 15.4 The Supplier will preserve the integrity of Buyer Data processed by the Supplier and prevent its corruption and loss.
- 15.5 The Supplier will ensure that any system which holds any Buyer Data complies with the security requirements prescribed by the Buyer.
- 15.6 The Supplier will ensure that any system on which the Supplier holds any protectively marked Buyer Data will be accredited as specific to the Buyer and will comply with:
 - the government security policy framework and information assurance policy;
 - guidance issued by the Centre for Protection of National Infrastructure on Risk Management and Accreditation of Information Systems; and
 - the relevant government information assurance standard(s).
- 15.7 Where the duration of the Call-Off Contract exceeds one year, the Supplier will review the accreditation status at least once a year to assess whether material changes have occurred which could alter the original accreditation decision in relation to Buyer Data. If any changes have occurred, the Supplier will re-submit such system for accreditation.
- 15.8 If at any time the Supplier suspects that the Buyer Data that the Supplier has held, used, or accessed has or may become corrupted, lost, breached or significantly degraded in any way for any reason, then the Supplier will notify the Buyer immediately and will at its own cost comply with any remedial action proposed by the Buyer.
- 15.9 The Supplier will provide, at the request of CCS or the Buyer, any information relating to the Supplier's compliance with its obligations under the Data Protection Legislation. The Supplier will also ensure that it does not knowingly or negligently fail to do something that places CCS or any Buyer in breach of its obligations of the Data Protection Legislation. This is an absolute obligation and is not qualified by any other provision of the Call-Off Contract.

15.10 The Supplier agrees to use the appropriate organisational, operational and technological processes and procedures to keep the Buyer Data safe from unauthorised use or access, loss, destruction, theft or disclosure.

16. Document and source code management repository

- 16.1 The Supplier will comply with any reasonable instructions given by the Buyer as to where it will store documents and source code, both finished and in progress, during the term of the Call-Off Contract.
- 16.2 The Supplier will ensure that all items that are uploaded to any repository contain sufficient detail, code annotations and instructions so that a third-party developer with the relevant technical abilities within the applicable role would be able to understand how the item was created and how it works together with the other items in the repository within a reasonable timeframe.

17. Records and audit access

17.1 The Supplier will allow CCS (and CCS's external auditor) to access its information and conduct audits of the Services provided under the Call-Off Contract and the provision of Management Information (subject to reasonable and appropriate confidentiality undertakings).

18. Freedom of Information (FOI) requests

- 18.1 The Supplier will transfer any Request for Information to the Buyer within 2 Working Days of receipt.
- 18.2 The Supplier will provide all necessary help reasonably requested by the Buyer to enable the Buyer to respond to the Request for Information within the time for compliance set out in section 10 of the Freedom of Information Act or Regulation 5 of the Environmental Information Regulations.
- 18.3 To the extent it is permissible and reasonably practical for it to do so, CCS will make reasonable efforts to notify the Supplier when it receives a relevant FolA or EIR request so that the Supplier may make appropriate representations.

19. Standards and quality

19.1 The Supplier will comply with any standards in the Call-Off Contract and Section 4 (How Services will be delivered) of the Framework Agreement, and with Good Industry Practice.

20. Security

- 20.1 If requested to do so by the Buyer, the Supplier will, within 5 Working Days of the date of the Call-Off Contract, develop, obtain Buyer's approval of, maintain and observe a Security Management Plan and an Information Security Management System (ISMS) which, after Buyer approval, will apply during the term of the Call-Off Contract. Both the ISMS and the Security Management Plan will comply with the security policy of the Buyer and protect all aspects of the Services, and all processes associated with the delivery of the Services.
- 20.2 The Supplier will use software and the most up-to-date antivirus definitions available from an industry accepted antivirus software vendor to minimise the impact of Malicious Software.
- 20.3 If Malicious Software causes loss of operational efficiency or loss or corruption of Buyer Data, the Supplier will help the Buyer to mitigate any losses and will restore the Services to their desired operating efficiency as soon as possible.
- 20.4 The Supplier will immediately notify CCS of any breach of security in relation to CCS's Confidential Information (and the Buyer in relation to any breach regarding Buyer Confidential Information). The Supplier will recover such CCS and Buyer Confidential Information however it may be recorded.
- 20.5 Any system development by the Supplier must also comply with the government's '10 Steps to Cyber Security' guidance, as amended from time to time and currently available at: https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/guidance/10-steps-cyber-security
- 20.6 The Buyer will specify any security requirements for this project in the Order Form.

21. Incorporation of terms

21.1 Upon the execution of a Statement of Work (SOW), the terms and conditions agreed in the SOW will be incorporated into the Call-Off Contract that the terms of the SOW are agreed under.

22. Managing disputes

- 22.1 When either Party notifies the other of a dispute, both Parties will attempt in good faith to negotiate a settlement as soon as possible.
- 22.2 Nothing in this prevents a Party from seeking any interim order restraining the other Party from doing any act or compelling the other Party to do any act.
- 22.3 If the dispute cannot be resolved, either Party will be entitled to refer it to mediation in accordance with the procedures below, unless:
 - the Buyer considers that the dispute is not suitable for resolution by mediation;

- the Supplier does not agree to mediation.
- 22.4 The procedure for mediation is as follows:
 - A neutral adviser or mediator will be chosen by agreement between the Parties. If the Parties cannot agree on a mediator within 10 Working Days after a request by one Party to the other, either Party will as soon as possible, apply to the mediation provider or to the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR) to appoint a mediator. This application to CEDR must take place within 12 Working Days from the date of the proposal to appoint a mediator, or within 3 Working Days of notice from the mediator to either Party that they are unable or unwilling to act.
 - The Parties will meet with the mediator within 10 Working Days of the mediator's appointment to agree a programme for the exchange of all relevant information and the structure for negotiations to be held. The Parties may at any stage seek help from the mediation provider specified in this clause to provide guidance on a suitable procedure.
 - Unless otherwise agreed, all negotiations connected with the dispute and any settlement agreement relating to it will be conducted in confidence and without prejudice to the rights of the Parties in any future proceedings.
 - If the Parties reach agreement on the resolution of the dispute, the agreement will be recorded in writing and will be binding on the Parties once it is signed by their duly authorised representatives.
 - Failing agreement, either Party may invite the mediator to provide a non-binding but informative opinion in writing. Such an opinion will be provided without prejudice and will not be used in evidence in any proceedings relating to the Call-Off Contract without the prior written consent of both Parties.
 - If the Parties fail to reach agreement in the structured negotiations within 60 Working Days of the mediator being appointed, or such longer period as may be agreed by the Parties, then any dispute or difference between them may be referred to the courts.
- 22.5 Either Party may request by written notice that the dispute is referred to expert determination if the dispute relates to:
 - any technical aspect of the delivery of the digital services;
 - the underlying technology; or
 - is otherwise of a financial or technical nature.
- 22.6 An expert will be appointed by written agreement between the Parties, but if there's a failure to agree within 10 Working Days, or if the person appointed is unable or unwilling to act, the expert will be appointed on the instructions of the President of the British Computer Society (or any other association that has replaced the British Computer Society).
- 22.7 The expert will act on the following basis:
 - they will act as an expert and not as an arbitrator and will act fairly and impartially;

- the expert's determination will (in the absence of a material failure to follow the agreed procedures) be final and binding on the Parties;
- the expert will decide the procedure to be followed in the determination and will be requested to make their determination within 30 Working Days of their appointment or as soon as reasonably practicable and the Parties will help and provide the documentation that the expert needs for the determination;
- any amount payable by one Party to another as a result of the expert's determination will be due and payable within 20 Working Days of the expert's determination being notified to the Parties
- the process will be conducted in private and will be confidential;
- the expert will determine how and by whom the costs of the determination, including their fees and expenses, are to be paid.
- 22.8 Without prejudice to any other rights of the Buyer under the Call-Off Contract, the obligations of the Parties under the Call-Off Contract will not be suspended, ceased or delayed by the reference of a dispute submitted to mediation or expert determination and the Supplier and the Supplier Staff will comply fully with the Requirements of the Call-Off Contract at all times.

23. Termination

- 23.1 The Buyer will have the right to terminate the Call-Off Contract at any time by giving the notice to the Supplier specified in the Order Form, subject to clause 23.2 and 23.3 below. The Supplier's obligation to provide the Services will end on the date set out in the Buyer's notice.
- 23.2 The minimum notice period (expressed in Working Days) to be given by the Buyer to terminate under this Clause will be the number of whole days that represent 20% of the total duration of the current SOW to be performed under the Call-Off Contract, up to a maximum of 30 Working Days. Where the duration is not specified in the SOW at the outset, then the duration will be subject to negotiation up to the maximum of 30 days.
- 23.3 Partial days will be discounted in the calculation and the duration of the SOW will be calculated in full Working Days.
- 23.4 The Parties acknowledge and agree that:
 - the Buyer's right to terminate under this Clause is reasonable in view of the subject matter of the Call-Off Contract and the nature of the Service being provided.
 - the Call-Off Contract Charges paid during the notice period given by the Buyer in accordance with this Clause are a reasonable form of compensation and are deemed to fully cover any avoidable costs or losses incurred by the Supplier which may arise either directly or indirectly as a result of the Buyer exercising the right to terminate under this Clause without cause.
 - Subject to clause 34 (Liability), if the Buyer terminates the Call-Off Contract without cause, they will indemnify the Supplier against any commitments, liabilities or expenditure which result in any unavoidable Loss by the Supplier, provided that

the Supplier takes all reasonable steps to mitigate such Loss. If the Supplier holds insurance, the Supplier will reduce its unavoidable costs by any insurance sums available. The Supplier will submit a fully itemised and costed list of such Loss, with supporting evidence of unavoidable Losses incurred by the Supplier as a result of termination.

- 23.5 The Buyer will have the right to terminate the Call-Off Contract at any time with immediate effect by written notice to the Supplier if:
 - the Supplier commits a Supplier Default and if the Supplier Default cannot, in the opinion of the Buyer, be remedied; or
 - the Supplier commits any fraud.
- 23.6 Either Party may terminate the Call-Off Contract at any time with immediate effect by written notice to the other if:
 - the other Party commits a Material Breach of any term of the Call-Off Contract (other than failure to pay any amounts due under the Call-Off Contract) and, if such breach is remediable, fails to remedy that breach within a period of 15 Working Days of being notified in writing to do so;
 - an Insolvency Event of the other Party occurs, or the other Party ceases or threatens to cease to carry on the whole or any material part of its business
 - a Force Majeure Event occurs for a period of more than 15 consecutive calendar days.
- 23.7 If a Supplier Insolvency Event occurs, the Buyer is entitled to terminate the Call-Off Contract.

24. Consequences of termination

- 24.1 If the Buyer contracts with another Supplier, the Supplier will comply with Clause 29.
- 24.2 The rights and obligations of the Parties in respect of the Call-Off Contract (including any executed SOWs) will automatically terminate upon the expiry or termination of the relevant Call-Off Contract, except those rights and obligations set out in clause 24.6.
- 24.3 At the end of the Call-Off Contract period (howsoever arising), the Supplier must:
 - immediately return to the Buyer:
 - o all Buyer Data including all copies of Buyer Software and any other software licensed by the Buyer to the Supplier under the Call-Off Contract;
 - any materials created by the Supplier under the Call-Off Contract where the IPRs are owned by the Buyer;
 - any items that have been on-charged to the Buyer, such as consumables; and

- all equipment provided to the Supplier. This equipment must be handed back to the Buyer in good working order (allowance will be made for reasonable wear and tear).
- immediately upload any items that are or were due to be uploaded to the repository when the Call-Off Contract was terminated (as specified in Clause 27);
- cease to use the Buyer Data and, at the direction of the Buyer, provide the Buyer and the replacement Supplier with a complete and uncorrupted version of the Buyer Data in electronic form in the formats and on media agreed with the Buyer and the replacement Supplier;
- destroy all copies of the Buyer Data when they receive the Buyer's written instructions to do so or 12 months after the date of expiry or termination (whichever is the earlier), and provide written confirmation to the Buyer that the data has been destroyed, except where the retention of Buyer Data is required by Law;
- vacate the Buyer premises;
- work with the Buyer on any work in progress and ensure an orderly transition of the Services to the replacement supplier;
- return any sums prepaid for Services which have not been delivered to the Buyer by the date of expiry or termination;
- provide all information requested by the Buyer on the provision of the Services so that:
 - the Buyer is able to understand how the Services have been provided;
 and
 - the Buyer and the replacement supplier can conduct due diligence.
- 24.4 Each Party will return all of the other Party's Confidential Information. Each Party will confirm that it does not retain the other Party's Confidential Information except where the information must be retained by the Party as a legal requirement or where the Call-Off Contract states otherwise.
- 24.5 All licences, leases and authorisations granted by the Buyer to the Supplier in relation to the Services will be terminated at the end of the Call-Off Contract period (howsoever arising) without the need for the Buyer to serve notice except where the Call-Off Contract states otherwise.
- 24.6 Termination or expiry of the Call-Off Contract will not affect:
 - any rights, remedies or obligations accrued under the Call-Off Contract prior to termination or expiration;
 - the right of either Party to recover any amount outstanding at the time of such termination or expiry;
 - the continuing rights, remedies or obligations of the Buyer or the Supplier under clauses:
 - 8 Payment Terms and VAT
 - 9 Recovery of Sums Due and Right of Set-Off
 - 11 Confidentiality
 - o 12 Conflict of Interest
 - 13 Intellectual Property Rights
 - 24 Consequences of Termination

- 28 Staff Transfer
- o 34 Liability
- 35 Waiver and cumulative remedies
- any other provision of the Framework Agreement or the Call-Off Contract which expressly or by implication is to be performed or observed notwithstanding termination or expiry will survive the termination or expiry of the Call-Off Contract.

25. Supplier's status

25.1 The Supplier is an independent Contractor and no contract of employment or partnership is created between the Supplier and the Buyer. Neither Party is authorised to act in the name of, or on behalf of, the other Party.

26. Notices

- 26.1 Any notices sent must be in writing. For the purpose of this Clause, an email is accepted as being in writing.
- 26.2 The following table sets out the method by which notices may be served under the Call-Off Contract and the respective deemed time and proof of Service:

Delivery type	Deemed delivery time	Proof of Service
Email	9am on the first Working Day after sending	Dispatched in a pdf form to the correct email address without any error message

26.3 The address and email address of each Party will be the address and email address in the Order Form.

27. Exit plan

27.1 The Buyer and the Supplier will agree an exit plan during the Call-Off Contract period to enable the Supplier Deliverables to be transferred to the Buyer ensuring that the Buyer has all the code and documentation required to support and continuously develop the Service with Buyer resource or any third party as the Buyer requires. The Supplier will update this plan whenever there are material changes to the Services. A Statement of Work may be agreed between the Buyer and the Supplier to specifically cover the exit plan.

28. Staff Transfer

- 28.1 The Parties agree that nothing in the Call-Off Contract or the provision of the Services is expected to give rise to a transfer of employment to which the Employment Regulations apply.
- 28.2 The Supplier will fully indemnify the Buyer against all Supplier Staff Liabilities which arise as a result of any claims brought against the Buyer due to any act or omission of the Supplier or any Supplier Staff.
- 28.3 The indemnity given in Clause 28.2 will be uncapped.

29. Help at retendering and handover to replacement supplier

- 29.1 When requested, the Supplier will (at its own expense where the Call-Off Contract has been terminated before end of term due to Supplier cause) help the Buyer to migrate the Services to a replacement Supplier in line with the exit plan (Clause 27) to ensure continuity of the Services. Such help may include Supplier demonstrations of the existing code and development documents, software licences used and Buyer approval documents. The Supplier will also answer Service and development-related clarification questions.
- 29.2 Within 10 Working Days of a request by the Buyer, the Supplier will provide any information needed by the Buyer to prepare for any procurement exercise or to facilitate any potential replacement Supplier undertaking due diligence. The exception to this is where such information is deemed to be Commercially Sensitive Information, in which case the Supplier will provide the information in a redacted form.

30. Changes to services

- 30.1 It is likely that there will be changes to the scope of the Services during the Call-Off Contract period. Agile projects have a scope that will change over time. The detailed scope (eg as defined in user stories) can evolve and change during the Call-Off Contract Period. These changes do not require formal contract changes but do require the Buyer and Supplier to agree these changes.
- 30.2 Any changes to the high-level scope of the Services must be agreed between the Buyer and Supplier. The Supplier will consider any request by the Buyer to change the scope of the Services, and may agree to such request.

31. Contract changes

- 31.1 All changes to the Call-Off Contract which cannot be accommodated informally as described in Clause 30 will require a Contract Change Note.
- 31.2 Either Party may request a contract change by completing and sending a draft Contract Change Note in the form in Schedule 4 of Part C The Schedules ('the **Contract** Digital Outcomes and Specialists 4 Framework Agreement Call-Off Contract v2 https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/digital-outcomes-and-specialists-4-call-off-contract

Change Notice') to the other Party giving sufficient information to enable the other Party to assess the extent of the change and any additional cost that may be incurred. The Party requesting the contract change will bear the costs of preparation of the Contract Change Notice. Neither Party will unreasonably withhold nor delay consent to the other Party's proposed changes to the Call-Off Contract.

31.3 Due to the agile-based delivery methodology recommended by the Framework Agreement, it may not be possible to exactly define the consumption of Services over the duration of the Call-Off Contract in a static Order Form. The Supplier should state the initial value of all Services that are likely to be consumed under the Call-Off Contract.

32. Force Majeure

32.1 Neither Party will be liable to the other Party for any delay in performing, or failure to perform, its obligations under the Call-Off Contract (other than a payment of money) to the extent that such delay or failure is a result of a Force Majeure event. Each Party will use all reasonable endeavours to continue to perform its obligations under the Call-Off Contract for the length of a Force Majeure event. If a Force Majeure event prevents a Party from performing its obligations under the Call-Off Contract for more than 15 consecutive calendar days, the other Party may terminate the Call-Off Contract with immediate effect by notice in writing.

33. Entire agreement

- 33.1 The Call-Off Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties relating to the matters dealt within it. It supersedes any previous agreement between the Parties relating to such matters.
- 33.2 Each of the Parties agrees that in entering into the Call-Off Contract it does not rely on, and will have no remedy relating to, any agreement, statement, representation, warranty, understanding or undertaking (whether negligently or innocently made) other than as described in the Call-Off Contract.
- 33.3 Nothing in this Clause or Clause 34 will exclude any liability for (or remedy relating to) fraudulent misrepresentation or fraud.

34. Liability

- 34.1 Neither Party excludes or limits its liability for:
 - death or personal injury;
 - bribery or fraud by it or its employees;
 - breach of any obligation as to title implied by section 12 of the Sale of Goods Act 1979 or section 2 of the Supply of Goods and Services Act 1982; or
 - any liability to the extent it cannot be excluded or limited by Law.

- 34.2 In respect of the indemnities in Clause 13 (Intellectual Property Rights) and Clause 28 (Staff Transfer) and a breach of Clause 14 (Data Protection and Disclosure) the Supplier's total liability will be unlimited. Buyers are not limited in the number of times they can call on this indemnity.
- 34.3 Subject to the above, each Party's total aggregate liability relating to all Losses due to a Default in connection with this agreement will be limited to the greater of the sum of £500,000 or a sum equal to 200% of the Call-Off Contract Charges paid, due or which would have been payable under the Call-Off Contract in the 6 months immediately preceding the event giving rise to the liability.
 - Losses covered by this clause 34.3 that occur in the first 6 months of a Call-Off Contract, will be limited to the greater of the sum of £500,000 or a sum equal to 200% of the estimated Call-Off Contract Charges for the first 6 months of the Call-Off Contract.
- 34.4 Subject to clause 34.1, in no event will either Party be liable to the other for any:
 - loss of profits;
 - loss of business:
 - loss of revenue;
 - loss of or damage to goodwill;
 - loss of savings (whether anticipated or otherwise); or
 - any indirect, special or consequential loss or damage.
- 34.5 The Supplier will be liable for the following types of loss which will be regarded as direct and will be recoverable by the Buyer:
 - the additional operational or administrative costs and expenses arising from any Material Breach; and/or
 - any regulatory losses, fines, expenses or other losses arising from a breach by the Supplier of any Law.
- 34.6 No enquiry, inspection, approval, sanction, comment, consent, or decision at any time made or given by, or on behalf of, the Buyer to any document or information provided by the Supplier in its provision of the Services, and no failure of the Buyer to discern any defect in, or omission from, any such document or information will exclude or limit the obligation of the Supplier to carry out all the obligations of a professional Supplier employed in a client and Buyer relationship.
- 34.7 Unless otherwise expressly provided, the obligations of the Buyer under the Call-Off Contract are obligations of the Buyer in its capacity as a contracting counterparty and nothing in the Call-Off Contract will be an obligation on, or in any other way constrain the Buyer in any other capacity, nor will the exercise by the Buyer of its duties and powers in any other capacity lead to any liability under the Call-Off Contract on the part of the Buyer to the Supplier.

- 34.8 Any liabilities which are unlimited will not be taken into account for the purposes of establishing whether any limits relating to direct loss or damage to physical Property within this Clause have been reached.
- 34.9 Each Party must use all reasonable endeavours to mitigate any Loss or damage which it suffers under or in connection with this Call-Off Contract, including any indemnities.

35. Waiver and cumulative remedies

- 35.1 The rights and remedies provided by this agreement may be waived only in writing by the Buyer or the Supplier representatives in a way that expressly states that a waiver is intended, and such waiver will only be operative regarding the specific circumstances referred to.
- 35.2 Unless a right or remedy of the Buyer is expressed to be exclusive, the exercise of it by the Buyer is without prejudice to the Buyer's other rights and remedies. Any failure to exercise, or any delay in exercising, a right or remedy by either Party will not constitute a waiver of that right or remedy, or of any other rights or remedies.

36. Fraud

- 36.1 The Supplier will notify the Buyer if it suspects that any fraud has occurred, or is likely to occur. The exception to this is if while complying with this, it would cause the Supplier or its employees to commit an offence.
- 36.2 If the Supplier commits any fraud relating to a Framework Agreement, the Call-Off Contract or any other Contract with the government:
 - the Buyer may terminate the Call-Off Contract
 - CCS may terminate the Framework Agreement
 - CCS and/or the Buyer may recover in full from the Supplier whether under Clause 36.3 below or by any other remedy available in law.
- 36.3 The Supplier will, on demand, compensate CCS and/or the Buyer, in full, for any loss sustained by CCS and/or the Buyer at any time (whether such loss is incurred before or after the making of a demand following the indemnity hereunder) in consequence of any breach of this Clause.

37. Prevention of bribery and corruption

- 37.1 The Supplier will not commit any Prohibited Act.
- 37.2 The Buyer and CCS will be entitled to recover in full from the Supplier and the Supplier will, on demand, compensate CCS and/or the Buyer in full from and against:
 - the amount of value of any such gift, consideration or commission; and
 - any other loss sustained by CCS and/or the Buyer in consequence of any breach of this Clause

38. Legislative change

38.1 The Supplier will neither be relieved of its obligations under the Call-Off Contract nor be entitled to increase the Call-Off Contract prices as the result of a general change in Law or a Specific Change in Law without prior written approval from the Buyer.

39. Publicity, branding, media and official enquiries

39.1 The Supplier will take all reasonable steps to not do anything which may damage the public reputation of the Buyer. The Buyer may terminate the Call-Off Contract for Material Breach where the Supplier, by any act or omission, causes material adverse publicity relating to or affecting the Buyer or the Call-Off Contract. This is true whether or not the act or omission in question was done in connection with the performance by the Supplier of its obligations hereunder.

40. Non Discrimination

40.1 The Supplier will notify CCS and relevant Buyers immediately of any legal proceedings issued against it by any Supplier Staff on the grounds of discrimination.

41. Premises

- 41.1 Where either Party uses the other Party's premises, such Party is liable for all Loss or damage it causes to the premises. Such Party is responsible for repairing any damage to the premises or any objects on the premises, other than fair wear and tear.
- 41.2 The Supplier will use the Buyer's premises solely for the Call-Off Contract.
- 41.3 The Supplier will vacate the Buyer's premises upon termination or expiry of the Call-Off Contract.
- 41.4 This Clause does not create any tenancy or exclusive right of occupation.
- 41.5 While on the Buyer's premises, the Supplier will:
 - ensure the security of the premises;
 - comply with Buyer requirements for the conduct of personnel;
 - comply with any health and safety measures implemented by the Buyer;
 - comply with any instructions from the Buyer on any necessary associated safety measures; and
 - notify the Buyer immediately in the event of any incident occurring on the premises where that incident causes any personal injury or damage to Property which could give rise to personal injury.
- 41.6 The Supplier will ensure that its health and safety policy statement (as required by the Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974) is made available to the Buyer on request.
- 41.7 All Equipment brought onto the Buyer's premises will be at the Supplier's risk. Upon termination or expiry of the Call-Off Contract, the Supplier will remove such Equipment.

42. Equipment

- 42.1 Any Equipment brought onto the premises will be at the Supplier's own risk and the Buyer will have no liability for any loss of, or damage to, any Equipment.
- 42.2 Upon termination or expiry of the Call-Off Contract, the Supplier will remove the Equipment, and any other materials, leaving the premises in a safe and clean condition.

43. Law and jurisdiction

43.1 The Call-Off Contract will be governed by the Laws of England and Wales. Each Party agrees to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales and for all disputes to be conducted within England and Wales.

44. Defined Terms

'Assurance'	The verification process undertaken by CCS as described in section 5 of the Framework Agreement
'Background IPRs'	Any and all IPR that are owned by or licensed to either Party and which are or have been developed independently of the Call-Off Contract (whether prior to the start date or otherwise)
'Buyer'	A UK public sector body, or Contracting Authority, as described in the OJEU Contract Notice, that can execute a competition and a Call-Off Contract within the Framework Agreement
'Buyer Background IPRs'	Background IPRs of the Buyer
'Buyer's Confidential Information'	All Buyer Data and any information that relates to the business, affairs, developments, trade secrets, know-how, personnel, and Suppliers of the Buyer, including all Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs), together with all information derived from any of the above Any other information clearly designated as being confidential or which ought reasonably be considered to be confidential (whether or not it is marked 'confidential')
'Buyer Data'	Data that is owned or managed by the Buyer, including Personal Data gathered for user research, eg recordings of user research sessions and lists of user research participants
'Buyer Software'	Software owned by or licensed to the Buyer (other than under or pursuant to this Call-Off Contract), which is or

	will be used by the Supplier for the purposes of providing the Services
'Call-Off Contract'	The legally binding agreement (entered into following the provisions of the Framework Agreement) for the provision of Services made between a Buyer and the Supplier
	This may include the key information summary, Order Form, requirements, Supplier's response, Statement of Work (SOW), Contract Change Notice (CCN) and terms and conditions as set out in the Call-Off Contract Order Form
'Charges'	The prices (excluding any applicable VAT), payable to the Supplier by the Buyer under the Call-Off Contract, as set out in the applicable SOW(s), in consideration of the full and proper performance by the Supplier of the Supplier's obligations under the Call-Off Contract and the specific obligations in the applicable SOW
'Commercially Sensitive Information'	Information, which CCS has been notified about, (before the start date of the Framework Agreement) or the Buyer (before the Call-Off Contract start date) with full details of why the Information is deemed to be commercially sensitive
'Comparable Supply'	The supply of services to another customer of the Supplier that are the same or similar to any of the Services
'Confidential Information'	Buyer's Confidential Information or the Supplier's Confidential Information, which may include (but is not limited to): • any information that relates to the business, affairs, developments, trade secrets, know-how, personnel, and third parties, including all Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs), together with all information derived from any of the above • any other information clearly designated as being confidential or which ought reasonably be considered to be confidential (whether or not it is marked 'confidential')
'Contracting Authority'	The Buyer and any other person as listed in the OJEU Contract Notice or Regulation 2 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, as amended from time to time, including CCS
'Control'	Control as defined in section 1124 and 450 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010. 'Controls' and 'Controlled' will be interpreted accordingly
'Controller'	Takes the meaning given in the Data Protection Legislation.

'Crown' 'Data Loss Event'	The government of the United Kingdom (including the Northern Ireland Assembly and Executive Committee, the Scottish Executive 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 Any event that results, or may result, in unauthorised access to Personal Data held by the Supplier under
	this Call-Off Contract, and/or actual or potential loss and/or destruction of Personal Data in breach of this Call-Off Contract, including any Personal Data Breach.
'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'	All applicable Law about the processing of personal data and privacy (including the GDPR, LED and DPA 2018) and including if applicable legally binding guidance and codes of practice issued by the Information Commissioner.
'Data Protection Officer'	Takes the meaning given in the Data Protection
'Data Subject'	Legislation. Takes the meaning given in the Data Protection Legislation.
'Default'	 any breach of the obligations of the Supplier (including any fundamental breach or breach of a fundamental term) any other default, act, omission, negligence or negligent statement of the Supplier, of its Subcontractors or any Supplier Staff in connection with or in relation to the Framework Agreement or this Call-Off Contract Unless otherwise specified in this Call-Off Contract the Supplier is liable to CCS for a Default of the Framework Agreement and in relation to a Default of the Call-Off Contract, the Supplier is liable to the Buyer
'Deliverable'	A tangible work product, professional service, outcome or related material or item that is to be achieved or delivered to the Buyer by the Supplier as part of the Services as defined in the Order Form and all subsequent Statement of Work
'Digital Marketplace'	The government marketplace where Services will be bought (https://www.digitalmarketplace.service.gov.uk/)
'DPA 2018'	Data Protection Act 2018.
'Employment	The Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of
Regulations'	Employment) Regulations 2006 (SI 2006/246) as

	amended or replaced or any other Regulations implementing the European Council Directive 77/187/EEC on the approximation of laws of European member states relating to the safeguarding of employees' rights in the event of transfers of undertakings, businesses or parts of undertakings or businesses, as amended or re-enacted from time to time
'Electronic Invoice'	An invoice which has been issued, transmitted and received in a structured electronic format which allows for its automatic and electronic processing
'Equipment'	The Supplier's hardware, computer and telecoms devices, plant, materials and such other items supplied and used by the Supplier (but not hired, leased or loaned from CCS or the Buyer) in the performance of its obligations under the Call-Off Contract
'Extension Period'	The period (expressed in Working Days) that the initial Call-Off Contract term is extended by following notice given by the Buyer to the Supplier in accordance with Clause 1.4, such period not to exceed the number of whole days that represent 25% of the initial Call-Off Contract period.
'FolA'	The Freedom of Information Act 2000 and any subordinate legislation made under the Act occasionally together with any guidance or codes of practice issued by the Information Commissioner or relevant Government department in relation to such legislation
'Force Majeure'	Force Majeure means anything affecting either Party's performance of their obligations arising from any of the following: • acts, events, omissions, happenings or non-happenings beyond the reasonable control of the affected Party • riots, war or armed conflict, acts of terrorism, nuclear, biological or chemical warfare • acts of government, local government or Regulatory Bodies • fire, flood, any disaster and any failure or shortage of power or fuel • an industrial dispute affecting a third party for which a substitute third party is not reasonably available The following do not constitute a Force Majeure event:
	 any industrial dispute relating to the Supplier, its

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	staff, or any other failure in the Supplier's (or a
	Subcontractor's) supply chain
	 any event or occurrence which is attributable to the wilful act, neglect or failure to take reasonable precautions against the event or occurrence by the Party concerned
'Framework Agreement'	The Framework Agreement between CCS and the Supplier for the provision of the Services dated 01/10/2019
'Fraud'	The making of a false representation or failing to disclose relevant information, or the abuse of position, in order to make a financial gain or misappropriate assets
'Further Competition'	The Further Competition procedure as described in Section 3 (how Services will be bought) of the Framework Agreement.
'GDPR'	The General Data Protection Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2016/679).
'Good Industry Practice'	Standards and procedures conforming to the Law and the application of skill, care and foresight which would be expected from a person or body who has previously been engaged in a similar type of undertaking under similar circumstances. The person or body must adhere to the technology code of practice (https://www.gov.uk/service-manual/technology/code-of-practice.html) and the government service design manual (https://www.gov.uk/service-manual)
'Group'	A company plus any subsidiary or holding company. 'Holding company' and 'Subsidiary' are defined in section 1159 of the Companies Act 2006
'Group of Economic Operators'	A partnership or consortium not (yet) operating through a separate legal entity.
'Holding Company'	As described in section 1159 and Schedule 6 of the Companies Act 2006
'Information'	As described under section 84 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, as amended from time to time
'Insolvency Event'	may be:
'Intellectual Property Rights' or 'IPR'	means: a) copyright, rights related to or affording protection similar to copyright, rights in databases, patents and rights in inventions, semi-conductor topography rights, service marks, logos, database rights, trade marks,

	rights in internet domain names and website addresses and other rights in trade or business names, design rights (whether registerable or otherwise), know-how, trade secrets and moral rights and other similar rights or obligations whether registerable or not; 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 c) all other rights whether registerable or not having equivalent or similar effect in any country or jurisdiction (including but not limited to the United Kingdom) and the right to sue for passing off.
'Key Staff'	Means the Supplier Staff named in the SOW as such
'KPI Target'	The acceptable performance level for a key performance indicator (KPI)
'Law'	Any applicable Act of Parliament, subordinate legislation within the meaning of Section 21(1) of the Interpretation Act 1978, exercise of the royal prerogative, enforceable community right within the meaning of Section 2 of the European Communities Act 1972, judgment of a relevant court of law, or directives or requirements of any Regulatory Body
'LED'	Law Enforcement Direction (Directive (EU) 2016/680).
'Loss'	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 'Losses' will be interpreted accordingly
'Lot'	A subdivision of the Services which are the subject of this procurement as described in the OJEU Contract Notice
'Malicious Software'	Any software program or code intended to destroy, or cause any undesired effects. It could be introduced wilfully, negligently or without the Supplier having knowledge of its existence.
'Management Charge'	The sum paid by the Supplier to CCS being an amount of 1.0% of all Charges for the Services invoiced to Buyers (net of VAT) in each month throughout the duration of the Framework Agreement and thereafter, until the expiry or termination of any Call-Off Contract
'Management	The Management Information (MI) specified in section
Information'	6 of the Framework Agreement
'Management	If any of the below instances occur, CCS may treat this
Information (MI)	as an 'MI Failure':
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Failure'	there are omissions or errors in the
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'Material Breach'	A breach by the Supplier of the following Clauses in the
(Framework	Framework Agreement:
Agreement)	 Subcontracting
	 Non-Discrimination
	 Conflicts of Interest and Ethical Walls
	Warranties and Representations
	 Provision of Management Information
	 Management Charge
	 Prevention of Bribery and Corruption
	 Safeguarding against Fraud
	Data
	 Intellectual Property Rights and Indemnity
	 Confidentiality
	Official Secrets Act
	Audit
	Assurance
'Material Breach'	A single serious breach of or persistent failure to
(Call-Off Contract)	perform as required in the Call-Off Contract
'OJEU Contract	The advertisement for this procurement issued in the
Notice'	Official Journal of the European Union
'Order Form'	An order in the form set out in Part A of the Call-Off
	Contract for Digital Outcome and Specialist Services
	placed by a Buyer with the Supplier
'Other Contracting	All Contracting Authorities, or Buyers, except CCS
Authorities'	
'Party'	 for the purposes of the Framework Agreement;
	CCS or the Supplier
	 for the purposes of the Call-Off Contract; the
	Supplier or the Buyer,
	and 'Parties' will be interpreted accordingly
'Personal Data'	Takes the meaning given in the Data Protection
	Legislation.
'Personal Data	Takes the meaning given in the Data Protection
Breach'	Legislation.
'Processing'	This has the meaning given to it under the Data
	Protection Legislation but, for the purposes of this
	Framework Agreement and Call-Off Contract, it will
	include both manual and automatic processing.
	'Process' and 'processed' will be interpreted
	accordingly.
'Processor'	Takes the meaning given in the Data Protection
	Legislation.
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'Prohibited Act'	To directly or indirectly offer, promise or give any person working for or engaged by a Buyer or CCS a financial or other advantage to: • induce that person to perform improperly a relevant function or activity • reward that person for improper performance of a relevant function or activity • commit any offence: • under the Bribery Act 2010 • under legislation creating offences concerning Fraud • at common Law concerning Fraud • committing or attempting or conspiring to commit Fraud
'Project-Specific IPRs'	 Intellectual Property Rights in items, including Deliverables, created by the Supplier (or by a third party on behalf of the Supplier) specifically for the purposes of the Call-Off Contract and updates and amendments of these items including (but not limited to) database schema; and/or Intellectual Property Rights arising as a result of the performance of the Supplier's obligations under the Call-Off Contract; but not including the Supplier Background IPRs
'Property'	The property, other than real property and IPR, issued or made available to the Supplier by the Buyer in connection with a Call-Off Contract
'Protective Measures'	Appropriate technical and organisational measures which may include: pseudonymising and encrypting Personal Data, ensuring confidentiality, integrity, availability and resilience of systems and services, ensuring that availability of and access to Personal Data can be restored in a timely manner after an incident, and regularly assessing and evaluating the effectiveness of such measures adopted by it.
'Regulations'	The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (at http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2015/102/contents/made) and the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2012 (at http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ssi/2012/88/made), as amended from time to time
'Regulatory Bodies'	Government departments and other bodies which, whether under statute, codes of practice or otherwise, are entitled to investigate or influence the matters dealt with in the Framework Agreement or the Call-Off Contract Framework Agreement Call-Off Contract v2

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'Release'	The Deliverable for a particular Statement of Work. Its delivery by the Supplier and its acceptance by the Buyer completes the Statement of Work.
'Reporting Date'	The seventh day of each month following the month to which the relevant MI relates. A different date may be chosen if agreed between the Parties
'Request for Information'	A request for information or an apparent request under the Code of Practice on Access to Government Information, FolA or the Environmental Information Regulations
'Self Audit Certificate'	The certificate in the form as set out in Framework Agreement Schedule 1 - Self Audit Certificate, to be provided to CCS by the Supplier in accordance with Framework Agreement Clause 7.6.
'Services'	Digital outcomes, digital specialists, user research studios or user research participants to be provided by the Supplier under this Call-Off Contract
'Specific Change in Law'	A change in the Law that relates specifically to the business of CCS or the Buyer and which would not affect a Comparable Supply
'Statement of Requirements'	A statement issued by CCS or any Buyer detailing its Services requirements issued in the Call-Off Contract
'Statement of Work' (SOW)	The document outlining the agreed body of works to be undertaken as part of the Call-Off Contract between the Buyer and the Supplier. This may include (but is not limited to) the Statement of Requirements, the Deliverable(s), the completion dates, the charging method. Multiple SOWs can apply to one Call-Off Contract
'Subcontractor'	Each of the Supplier's Subcontractors or any person engaged by the Supplier in connection with the provision of the digital services as may be permitted by Clause 9.18 of the Framework Agreement or the Call-Off Contract
'Subprocessor'	Any third party appointed to process Personal Data on behalf of the Supplier under this Call-Off Contract.
'Supplier'	The Supplier of Digital Outcomes and Specialists services who successfully bid for Call-Off Contracts as outlined in the Contract Notice within the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU Notice). The identifying details of the Supplier to be bound by the terms of this Call-Off Contract are set out in the Order Form.
'Supplier	Background IPRs of the Supplier
Background IPRs'	

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'Supplier Software'	Software which is proprietary to the Supplier and which is or will be used by the Supplier for the purposes of providing the Services
'Supplier Staff'	All persons employed by the Supplier including the Supplier's agents and consultants used in the performance of its obligations under the Framework Agreement or the Call-Off Contract
'Supplier Staff Liabilities	Any claims, actions, proceedings, orders, demands, complaints, Losses and any awards or compensation reasonably incurred in connection with any claim or investigation related to employment
'Working Day'	Any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in England and Wales, from 9am to 5pm unless otherwise agreed with the Buyer and the Supplier in the Call-Off Contract
'VAT'	Value added tax in accordance with the provisions of the Value Added Tax Act 1994

Part C - The Schedules

Schedule 1 - Requirements

https://www.digitalmarketplace.service.gov.uk/digital-outcomes-and-specialists/opportunities/13531







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Schedule 2 - Supplier's	response
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Schedule 3 - Statement of Work (SOW), including pricing arrangements and Key Staff
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Schedule 4 - Contract Change Notice (CCN)

Order Form reference for the Call-Off Contract being varied:

BETWEEN:

Buyer Full Name ("the Buyer")

and

Supplier Full Name ("the Supplier")

1. The Call-Off Contract is varied as follows and shall take effect on the date signed by both Parties:

Guidance Note: Insert full details of the change including:

Reason for the change;

Full Details of the proposed change;

Likely impact, if any, of the change on other aspects of the Call-Off Contract;

- 2. Words and expressions in this Contract Change Notice shall have the meanings given to them in the Call-Off Contract.
- 3. The Call-Off Contract, including any previous changes shall remain effective and unaltered except as amended by this change.

Signed by an authorised signatory for and on behalf of the Buyer

Signature:	
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Date:	Click here to enter a date.
<mark>Name:</mark>	Click here to enter text.
Address:	Click here to enter text.

Signed by an authorised signatory to sign for and on behalf of the Supplier

Signature:	_X	
Date:	Click here to enter a date.	
Name:	Click here to enter text.	

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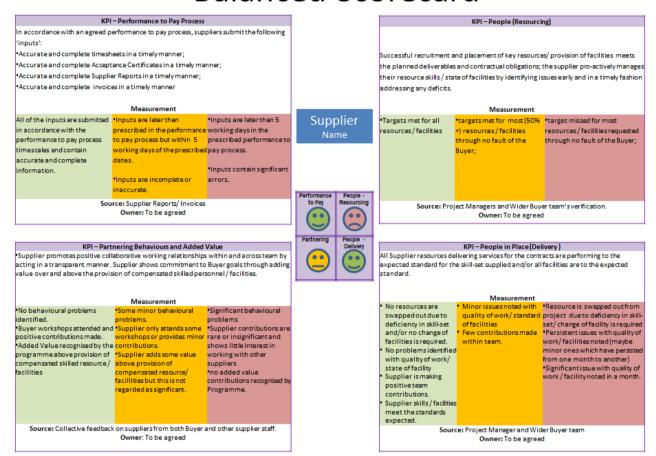
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Schedule 5 - Balanced Scorecard

In addition to the Supplier's performance management obligations set out in the Framework Agreement, the Parties may agree to the following Balanced Scorecard & KPIs for this Call-Off Contract (see Balanced Scorecard Model below):

Balanced Scorecard



The purpose of the Balanced Scorecard is to promote contract management activity, through measurement of a Supplier's performance against Key Performance Indicators, which the Buyer and Supplier should agree at the beginning of a Call-Off Contract. The targets and measures listed in the example scorecard (above) are for guidance and should be changed to meet the agreed needs of the Buyer and Supplier.

The recommended process for using the Balanced Scorecard is as follows:

- 1. The Buyer and Supplier agree a templated Balanced Scorecard together with a performance management plan, which clearly outlines the responsibilities and actions that will be taken if agreed performance levels are not achieved.
- 2. On a pre-agreed schedule (e.g. monthly), both the Buyer and the Supplier provide a rating on the Supplier's performance
- Following the initial rating, both Parties meet to review the scores and agree an overall final score for each Key Performance Indicator

CCS encourages Buyers to share final scores with CCS, so that performance of the Framework Agreement can be monitored. This may be done by emailing scores to: cloud_digital@crowncommercial.gov.uk .				
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4. Following agreement of final scores, the process is repeated as per the agreed

schedule

Schedule 6 - Optional Buyer terms and conditions

Sch 6.1 Buyer's agent

Not applicable

Schedule 7 - How Services are bought (Further Competition process)		
Services are bought under this Call-Off Contract using the Further Competition process set out in Section 3 of the Framework Agreement (How Services will be bought).		
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Schedule 8 - Deed of guarantee

Not applicable

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Schedule 9 - Processing, Personal Data and Data Subjects

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Schedule 11: Joint Controller Agreement				
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Schedule 10 – Alternative Clauses

Not applicable

Not applicable

Schedule 12 – Authority's Mandatory Terms

- **A.** For the avoidance of doubt, references to 'the Agreement' mean the attached Call-Off Contract between the Supplier and the Authority. References to 'the Authority' mean 'the Buyer' (the Commissioners for Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs).
- **B.** The Agreement incorporates the Authority's mandatory terms set out in this Schedule 12.
- **C.** In case of any ambiguity or conflict, the Authority's mandatory terms in this Schedule 12 will supersede any other terms in the Agreement.

1. Definitions

For the avoidance of doubt, these Definitions are specific to these Authority's Mandatory Terms.

"Affiliate"

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 with, that body corporate from time to time:

"Authority Data"

- (a) 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, and which are:
 - (i) supplied to the Supplier by or on behalf of the Authority; and/or
 - (ii) which the Supplier is required to generate, process, store or transmit pursuant to this Agreement; or
- (b) any Personal Data for which the Authority is the Controller, or any data derived from such Personal Data which has had any designatory data identifiers removed so that an individual cannot be identified:

"Charges"

The prices (excluding any applicable VAT), payable to the Supplier by the Buyer under the Call-Off Contract, as set out in the applicable SOW(s), in consideration of the full and proper performance by the Supplier of the Supplier's obligations under the Call-Off Contract and the specific obligations in the applicable SOW.

"Connected Company"

"Control"

means, in relation to a company, entity or other person, the Affiliates of that company, entity or other person or any other person associated with such company, entity or other person; the possession by a person, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of the other person (whether through the ownership of voting shares, by contract or otherwise) and "Controls" and "Controlled" shall be interpreted accordingly;

"Controller",

take the meaning given in the GDPR;

- "Processor",
- "Data Subject",
- "Data Protection Legislation"
- (a) the GDPR, the LED and any applicable national implementing Laws as amended from time to time;
- (b) the DPA 2018 to the extent that it relates to processing of personal data and privacy:
- (c) all applicable Law about the processing of personal data and privacy;

"GDPR"

the General Data Protection Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2016/679);

"Key Subcontractor"

- any Subcontractor:
 - (a) which, in the opinion of the Authority, performs (or would perform if appointed) a critical role in the provision of all or any part of the Services; and/or
 - (b) with a Subcontract with a contract value which at the time of appointment exceeds (or would exceed if appointed) ten per cent (10%) of the aggregate Charges forecast to be payable under this Call-Off Contract;

"Law"

any applicable Act of Parliament, subordinate legislation within the meaning of section 21(1) of the Interpretation Act 1978, exercise of the royal prerogative, enforceable community right within the meaning of section 2 of the European Communities Act 1972, regulatory policy, guidance or industry code, judgment of a relevant court of law, or directives or requirements of any regulatory body with which the Supplier is bound to comply;

"Purchase Order

has the meaning given in the GDPR:

"Purchase Order Number"

the Authority's unique number relating to the supply of the Services;

"Services"

the services to be supplied by the Supplier to the Authority under the Agreement, including the provision of any Goods;

"Subcontract"

any contract or agreement (or proposed contract or agreement) between the Supplier (or a Subcontractor) and any third party whereby that third party agrees to provide to the Supplier (or the Subcontractor) all or any part of the Services, or facilities or services which are material for the provision of the Services, or any part thereof or necessary for the management, direction or control of the Services or any part thereof;

"Subcontractor"

any third party with whom:

- (a) the Supplier enters into a Subcontract; or
- (b) a third party under (a) above enters into a Subcontract, or the servants or agents of that third party;

"Supplier Personnel"

all directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and contractors of the Supplier and/or of any Subcontractor of the Supplier engaged in the performance of the Supplier's obligations under the Agreement;

"Supporting Documentation" "Tax"

sufficient information in writing to enable the Authority to reasonably verify the accuracy of any invoice;

- (a) all forms of tax whether direct or indirect:
- (b) national insurance contributions in the United Kingdom and similar contributions or obligations in any other jurisdiction;
- (c) all statutory, governmental, state, federal, provincial, local government or municipal charges, duties, imports, contributions. levies or liabilities (other than in return for goods or services supplied or performed or to be performed) and withholdings; and
- (d) any penalty, fine, surcharge, interest, charges or costs relating to any of the above,

in each case wherever chargeable and whether of the United Kingdom and any other jurisdiction;

"Tax Non-Compliance"

where an entity or person under consideration meets all 3 conditions contained in the relevant excerpt from HMRC's "Test for Tax Non-Compliance", as set out in Annex 1, where:

- (a) the "Economic Operator" means the Supplier or any agent, supplier or Subcontractor of the Supplier requested to be replaced pursuant to Clause 4.3; and
- (b) any "Essential Subcontractor" means any Key Subcontractor:

"VAT"

value added tax as provided for in the Value Added Tax Act 1994.

2. Payment and Recovery of Sums Due

- 2.1. The Supplier shall invoice the Authority as specified in Clause Error! Reference source not found. of the Agreement. Without prejudice to the generality of the invoicing procedure specified in the Agreement, the Buyer shall provide a Purchase Order from the Authority's Electronic Invoice system prior to the commencement of any Services and the Supplier acknowledges and agrees that should it commence Services without a Purchase Order:
 - 2.1.1. the Supplier does so at its own risk; and
 - 2.1.2. the Authority shall not be obliged to pay any invoice without a valid Purchase Order having been provided to the Supplier.
- 2.2. Each invoice and any Supporting Documentation required to be submitted in accordance with the invoicing procedure specified in the Agreement shall be submitted by the Supplier, as directed by the Authority from time to time:
 - 2.2.1. via the Authority's electronic transaction system.
- 2.3. If any sum of money is recoverable from or payable by the Supplier under the Agreement (including any sum which the Supplier is liable to pay to the Authority in

respect of any breach of the Agreement), that sum may be deducted unilaterally by the Authority from any sum then due, or which may come due, to the Supplier under the Agreement or under any other agreement or contract with the Authority. The Supplier shall not be entitled to assert any credit, set-off or counterclaim against the Authority in order to justify withholding payment of any such amount in whole or in part.

3. Warranties

- 3.1. The Supplier represents and warrants that:
 - 3.1.1. in the three years prior to the Effective Date, it has been in full compliance with all applicable securities and Laws related to Tax in the United Kingdom and in the jurisdiction in which it is established;
 - 3.1.2. it has notified the Authority in writing of any Tax Non-Compliance it is involved in; and
 - 3.1.3. no proceedings or other steps have been taken and not discharged (nor, to the best of its knowledge, are threatened) for the winding up of the Supplier or for its dissolution or for the appointment of a receiver, administrative receiver, liquidator, manager, administrator or similar officer in relation to any of the Supplier's assets or revenue and the Supplier has notified the Authority of any profit warnings issued in respect of the Supplier in the three years prior to the Effective Date.
- 3.2. If at any time the Supplier becomes aware that a representation or warranty given by it under Clause 3.1, 3.1.2 and/or 3.1.3 has been breached, is untrue, or is misleading, it shall immediately notify the Authority of the relevant occurrence in sufficient detail to enable the Authority to make an accurate assessment of the situation.
- 3.3. In the event that the warranty given by the Supplier pursuant to Clause 3.1.2 is materially untrue, the Authority shall be entitled to terminate the Agreement pursuant to the Call-Off clause which provides the Authority the right to terminate the Agreement for Supplier fault (termination for Supplier cause or equivalent clause).

4. Promoting Tax Compliance

- 4.1. All amounts stated are stated exclusive of VAT, which shall be added at the prevailing rate as applicable and paid by the Authority following delivery of a valid VAT invoice.
- 4.2. To the extent applicable to the Supplier, the Supplier shall at all times comply with all Laws relating to Tax and with the equivalent legal provisions of the country in which the Supplier is established.
- 4.3. The Supplier shall provide to the Authority the name and, as applicable, the Value Added Tax registration number, PAYE collection number and either the Corporation Tax or self-assessment reference of any agent, supplier or Subcontractor of the Supplier prior to the provision of any material Services under the Agreement by that agent, supplier or Subcontractor. Upon a request by the Authority, the Supplier shall not contract, or will cease to contract, with any agent, supplier or Subcontractor supplying Services under the Agreement.
- 4.4. If, at any point during the Term, there is Tax Non-Compliance, the Supplier shall:

- 4.4.1. notify the Authority in writing of such fact within five (5) Working Days of its occurrence; and
- 4.4.2. promptly provide to the Authority:
 - a.) details of the steps which the Supplier is taking to resolve the Tax Non-Compliance and to prevent the same from recurring, together with any mitigating factors that it considers relevant; and
 - b.) such other information in relation to the Tax Non-Compliance as the Authority may reasonably require.
- 4.5. The Supplier shall indemnify the Authority on a continuing basis against any liability, including any interest, penalties or costs incurred, that is levied, demanded or assessed on the Authority at any time in respect of the Supplier's failure to account for or to pay any Tax relating to payments made to the Supplier under this Agreement. Any amounts due under this Clause 4.5 shall be paid in cleared funds by the Supplier to the Authority not less than five (5) Working Days before the date upon which the Tax or other liability is payable by the Authority.
- 4.6. Upon the Authority's request, the Supplier shall provide (promptly or within such other period notified by the Authority) information which demonstrates how the Supplier complies with its Tax obligations.
- 4.7. If the Supplier:
 - 4.7.1. fails to comply (or if the Authority receives information which demonstrates to it that the Supplier has failed to comply) with Clauses 4.2, 4.4.1 and/or 4.6 this may be a material breach of the Agreement;
 - 4.7.2. fails to comply (or if the Authority receives information which demonstrates to it that the Supplier has failed to comply) with a reasonable request by the Authority that it must not contract, or must cease to contract, with any agent, supplier or Subcontractor of the Supplier as required by Clause 4.3 on the grounds that the agent, supplier or Subcontractor of the Supplier is involved in Tax Non-Compliance this shall be a material breach of the Agreement; and/or
 - 4.7.3. fails to provide details of steps being taken and mitigating factors pursuant to Clause 4.4.2 which in the reasonable opinion of the Authority are acceptable this shall be a material breach of the Agreement;

and any such material breach shall allow the Authority to terminate the Agreement pursuant to the Call-Off Clause which provides the Authority the right to terminate the Agreement for Supplier fault (termination for Supplier cause or equivalent clause).

4.8. The Authority may internally share any information which it receives under Clauses 4.3 to 4.4 (inclusive) and 4.6, for the purpose of the collection and management of revenue for which the Authority is responsible.

5. Use of Off-shore Tax Structures

5.1. Subject to the principles of non-discrimination against undertakings based either in member countries of the European Union or in signatory countries of the World Trade Organisation Agreement on Government Procurement, the Supplier shall not, and shall ensure that its Connected Companies, Key Subcontractors (and their respective Connected Companies) shall not, have or put in place (unless otherwise agreed with the Authority) any arrangements involving the use of off-shore companies or other off-shore entities the main purpose, or one of the main

purposes, of which is to achieve a reduction in United Kingdom Tax of any description which would otherwise be payable by it or them on or in connection with the payments made by or on behalf of the Authority under or pursuant to this Agreement or (in the case of any Key Subcontractor and its Connected Companies) United Kingdom Tax which would be payable by it or them on or in connection with payments made by or on behalf of the Supplier under or pursuant to the applicable Key Subcontract ("**Prohibited Transactions**"). Prohibited Transactions shall not include transactions made between the Supplier and its Connected Companies or a Key Subcontractor and its Connected Companies on terms which are at armslength and are entered into in the ordinary course of the transacting parties' business.

- 5.2. The Supplier shall notify the Authority in writing (with reasonable supporting detail) of any proposal for the Supplier or any of its Connected Companies, or for a Key Subcontractor (or any of its Connected Companies), to enter into any Prohibited Transaction. The Supplier shall notify the Authority within a reasonable time to allow the Authority to consider the proposed Prohibited Transaction before it is due to be put in place.
- 5.3. In the event of a Prohibited Transaction being entered into in breach of Clause 5.1 above, or in the event that circumstances arise which may result in such a breach, the Supplier and/or the Key Subcontractor (as applicable) shall discuss the situation with the Authority and, in order to ensure future compliance with the requirements of Clauses 5.1 and 5.1, the Parties (and the Supplier shall procure that the Key Subcontractor, where applicable) shall agree (at no cost to the Authority) timely and appropriate changes to any such arrangements by the undertakings concerned, resolving the matter (if required) through the escalation process in the Agreement.
- 5.4. Failure by the Supplier (or a Key Subcontractor) to comply with the obligations set out in Clauses 5.1 and 5.2 shall allow the Authority to terminate the Agreement pursuant to the Clause that provides the Authority the right to terminate the Agreement for Supplier fault (termination for Supplier cause).

6. Data Protection and off-shoring

- 6.1. The Processor shall, in relation to any Personal Data processed in connection with its obligations under the Agreement:
 - 6.1.1. not transfer Personal Data outside of the United Kingdom unless the prior written consent of the Controller has been obtained and the following conditions are fulfilled:
 - a.) the Controller or the Processor has provided appropriate safeguards in relation to the transfer (whether in accordance with GDPR Article 46 or LED Article 37) as determined by the Controller;
 - b.) the Data Subject has enforceable rights and effective legal remedies;
 - c.) 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
 - d.) the Processor complies with any reasonable instructions notified to it in advance by the Controller with respect to the processing of the Personal Data;

6.2. Failure by the Processor to comply with the obligations set out in Clause 6.1 shall allow the Authority to terminate the Agreement pursuant to the Clause that provides the Authority the right to terminate the Agreement for Supplier fault (termination for Supplier cause or equivalent clause).

7. Commissioners for Revenue and Customs Act 2005 and related Legislation

- 7.1. The Supplier shall comply with, and shall ensure that all Supplier Personnel who will have access to, or are provided with, Authority Data comply with the obligations set out in Section 18 of the Commissioners for Revenue and Customs Act 2005 ('CRCA'), Official Secrets Acts 1911 to 1989 and Finance Act 1989 to maintain the confidentiality of Authority Data. Further, the Supplier acknowledges that (without prejudice to any other rights and remedies of the Authority) a breach of the aforesaid obligations may lead to a prosecution under Section 19 of CRCA.
- 7.2 The Supplier shall comply with, and shall ensure that all Supplier Personnel who will have access to, or are provided with, Authority Data comply with the obligations set out in Section 123 of the Social Security Administration Act 1992, which may apply to the fulfilment of some or all of the Services. The Supplier acknowledges that (without prejudice to any other rights and remedies of the Authority) a breach of the Supplier's obligations under Section 123 of the Social Security Administration Act 1992 may lead to a prosecution under that Act.
- 7.3 The Supplier shall regularly (not less than once every six (6) months) remind all Supplier Personnel who will have access to, or are provided with, Authority Data in writing of the obligations upon Supplier Personnel set out in Clause 0 above. The Supplier shall monitor the compliance by Supplier Personnel with such obligations.
- 7.4 The Supplier shall ensure that all Supplier Personnel who will have access to, or are provided with, Authority Data sign (or have previously signed) a Confidentiality Declaration, in the form provided at Annex 2. The Supplier shall provide a copy of each such signed declaration to the Authority upon demand.
- 7.5 In the event that the Supplier or the Supplier Personnel fail to comply with this Clause 7, the Authority reserves the right to terminate the Agreement with immediate effect pursuant to the clause that provides the Authority the right to terminate the Agreement for Supplier fault (termination for Supplier cause).

Annex 1

Excerpt from HMRC's "Test for Tax Non-Compliance"

Condition one (An in-scope entity or person)

- 1. There is a person or entity which is either: ("X")
- 1) The Economic Operator or Essential Subcontractor (EOS)
- 2) Part of the same Group of companies of EOS. An entity will be treated as within the same Group of EOS where that entities' financial statements would be required to be consolidated with those of EOS if prepared in accordance with *IFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Accounts*¹;
- 3) Any director, shareholder or other person (P) which exercises control over EOS. 'Control' means P can secure, through holding of shares or powers under articles of association or other document that EOS's affairs are conducted in accordance with P's wishes.

Condition two (Arrangements involving evasion, abuse or tax avoidance)

- 2. X has been engaged in one or more of the following:
- a. Fraudulent evasion²;
- b. Conduct caught by the General Anti-Abuse Rule³;
- c. Conduct caught by the Halifax Abuse principle4;
- d. Entered into arrangements caught by a DOTAS or VADR scheme⁵;

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¹ https://www.iasplus.com/en/standards/ifrs/ifrs10

² 'Fraudulent evasion' means any 'UK tax evasion offence' or 'UK tax evasion facilitation offence' as defined by section 52 of the Criminal Finances Act 2017 or a failure to prevent facilitation of tax evasion under section 45 of the same Act.

³ "General Anti-Abuse Rule" means (a) the legislation in Part 5 of the Finance Act 2013; and (b) any future legislation introduced into Parliament to counteract tax a dvantages a rising from a busive arrangements to avoid national insurance contributions

⁴ "Halifax Abuse Principle" means the principle explained in the CJEU Case C-255/02 Halifax and others

⁵ A Disclosure of Tax Avoidance Scheme (DOTAS) or VAT Disclosure Regime (VADR) scheme caught by rules which require a promoter of tax schemes to tell HM Revenue & Customs of anys pecified notifiable arrangements or proposals and to provide prescribed information on those arrangements or proposals within set time limits as contained in Section 19 and Part 7 of the Finance Act 2004 and in secondary legislation made under vires contained in Section 19 and Part 7 of the Finance Act 2004 and as extended to National Insurance Contributions by the National Insurance Contributions (Application of Part 7 of the Finance Act 2004) Regulations 2012, SI 2012/1868 made under s.132A Social Security Administration Act 1992.

- e. Conduct caught by a recognised 'anti-avoidance rule' being a statutory provision which targets arrangements where either a main purpose, or an expected benefit, is to obtain a tax advantage or where the arrangement is not effected for commercial purposes. 'Targeted Anti-Avoidance Rules' (TAARs). It may be useful to confirm that the Diverted Profits Tax is a TAAR for these purposes;
- f. Entered into an avoidance scheme identified by HMRC's published Spotlights list⁷;
- g. Engaged in conduct which falls under rules in other jurisdictions which are equivalent or similar to (a) to (f) above.

Condition three (Arrangements are admitted, or subject to litigation/prosecution or identified in a published list (Spotlights))

- 3. X's activity in *Condition 2* is, where applicable, subject to dispute and/or litigation as follows:
- i. In respect of (a), either X:
 - 1. Has accepted the terms of an offer made under a Contractual Disclosure Facility (CDF) pursuant to the Code of Practice 9 (COP9) procedure⁸; or,
 - 2. Has been charged with an offence of fraudulent evasion.
- ii. In respect of (b) to (e), once X has commenced the statutory appeal process by filing a Notice of Appeal and the appeal process is ongoing including where the appeal is stayed or listed behind a lead case (either formally or informally). NB Judicial reviews are not part of the statutory appeal process and no supplier would be excluded merely because they are applying for judicial review of an HMRC or HMT decision relating to tax or national insurance.
- iii. In respect of (b) to (e), during an HMRC enquiry, if it has been agreed between HMRC and X that there is a pause with the enquiry in order to await the outcome of related litigation.
- iv. In respect of (f) this condition is satisfied without any further steps being taken.
- v. In respect of (g) the foreign equivalent to each of the corresponding steps set out above in (i) to (iii).

For the avoidance of doubt, any reference in this Annex 1 to any Law includes a reference to that Law as amended, extended, consolidated or re-enacted from time to time including any implementing or successor legislation.

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⁶ The full definition of 'Anti-avoidance rule' can be found at Paragraph 25(1) of Schedule 18 to the Finance Act 2016 and Condition 2 (a) above shall be construed accordingly.

⁷ Targeted list of tax avoidance schemes that HMRC believes are being used to avoid paying tax due and which are listed on the Spotlight website: https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/tax-avoidance-schemes-currently-in-the-spotlight

⁸ The Code of Practice 9 (COP9) is an investigation of fraud procedure, where X agrees to make a complete and accurate disclosure of all their deliberate and non-deliberate conduct that has led to irregularities in their tax affairs following which HMRC will not pursue a criminal investigation into the conduct disclosed.

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Annex 2 Form

CONFIDENTIALITY DECLARATION

CONTRACT REFERENCE: [for Supplier to insert Contract reference number and contract date] (('the Agreement')

DECLARATION:

I solemnly declare that:

- 1. I am aware that the duty of confidentiality imposed by section 18 of the Commissioners for Revenue and Customs Act 2005 applies to Authority Data (as defined in the Agreement) that has been or will be provided to me in accordance with the Agreement.
- 2. I understand and acknowledge that under Section 19 of the Commissioners for Revenue and Customs Act 2005 it may be a criminal offence to disclose any Authority Data provided to me.

SIGNED:	
FULL NAME:	
POSITION:	
COMPANY:	
DATE OF SIGNATURE:	