

## Framework Schedule 6 (Order Form Template and Call-Off Schedules)

### Order Form

CALL-OFF REFERENCE:	<b>prj_4798</b>
CONTRACT NO:	<b>con_7777</b>
CONTRACT TITLE:	<b>Legal Services to DESNZ for GBE and other Arm's Length Bodies 2025-2027</b>
THE BUYER:	<b>Department for Energy Security and Net Zero ("DESNZ")</b>
BUYER ADDRESS	3-8 Whitehall place, London, SW1A 2AW
THE SUPPLIER:	Sharpe Pritchard LLP
SUPPLIER ADDRESS:	Elm Yard, 10-16 Elm Street, London, United Kingdom, WC1X 0BJ
REGISTRATION NUMBER:	OC378650
DUNS NUMBER:	<b>218596329</b>
SID4GOV ID:	<b>N/A</b>

#### APPLICABLE FRAMEWORK CONTRACT

This Order Form is for the provision of the Call-Off Deliverables and dated 10<sup>th</sup> April 2025. It's issued under the Framework Contract with the reference number Legal Services Panel RM6179 for the provision of legal advice and services.

CALL-OFF LOT(S):  
**Lot 1 – General Legal Advice and Services**

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**CALL-OFF INCORPORATED TERMS**

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

1. This Order Form including the Call-Off Special Terms and Call-Off Special Schedules.
2. Joint Schedule 1(Definitions and Interpretation) RM6179
3. NOT USED
4. The following Schedules in equal order of precedence:
  - Joint Schedules for RM6179
    - Joint Schedule 2 (Variation Form)
    - Joint Schedule 3 (Insurance Requirements)
    - Joint Schedule 4 (Commercially Sensitive Information)
    - Joint Schedule 6 (Key Subcontractors)
    - Joint Schedule 7 (Financial Difficulties)
    - Joint Schedule 8 (Guarantee)
    - Joint Schedule 10 (Rectification Plan)
    - Joint Schedule 11 (Processing Data)
    - Joint Schedule 12 (Supply Chain Visibility)
  - Call-Off Schedules for prj\_4798:
    - Call-Off Schedule 1 (Transparency Reports)
    - Call-Off Schedule 2 (Staff Transfer) (**attached separately**)
    - Call-Off Schedule 3 (Continuous Improvement)
    - Call-Off Schedule 5 (Pricing Details)
    - Call-Off Schedule 7 (Key Supplier Staff)
    - Call-Off Schedule 8 (Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery)
    - Call-Off Schedule 9 (Security)
    - Call-Off Schedule 10 (Exit Management)
    - Call-Off Schedule 12 (Clustering)
    - Call-Off Schedule 14 (Service Levels)

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- Call-Off Schedule 15 (Call-Off Contract Management)
  - Call-Off Schedule 20 (Specification)
  - Call-Off Schedule 21 (Northern Ireland Law)
  - Call-Off Schedule 23 (HMRC Terms)
  - Call-Off Schedule 24 (Special Schedule)
5. Joint Schedule 5 (Corporate Social Responsibility) RM6179
6. Call-Off Schedule 4 (Call-Off Tender) as long as any parts of the Call-Off Tender that offer a better commercial position for the Buyer (as decided by the Buyer) take precedence over the documents above.

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

**CALL-OFF SPECIAL TERMS**  
**NOT USED**

CALL-OFF START DATE: 10<sup>th</sup> April 2025

CALL-OFF EXPIRY DATE: 1<sup>st</sup> April 2027

CALL-OFF INITIAL PERIOD: 2 years, or until 1<sup>st</sup> April 2027, whichever is sooner.

CALL-OFF OPTIONAL EXTENSION PERIOD Until 30<sup>th</sup> November 2027

**CALL-OFF DELIVERABLES**

The Buyer is entitled to 2 hours of free initial consultation and legal advice with each Order in accordance with Paragraph 5.2 of Framework Schedule 1 (Specification).  
See details in Call-Off Schedule 20 (Specification)

**MANAGEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

See details in Call-Off Schedule 20 (Call-Off Specification) and as clarified in the Tender Clarification Response document issued on 28/02/25

**CONFIDENTIALITY**

See details in Call-Off Schedule 20 (Call-Off Specification)

**MAXIMUM LIABILITY**

The limitation of liability for this Call-Off Contract is stated in Clause 11.2 of the Core Terms, and as amended by the Framework Special Terms.

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The Estimated Year 1 Charges used to calculate liability in the first Contract Year is  
**£1,000,000**

The Estimated Year 2 Charges used to calculate liability in the second Contract Year is  
**£1,000,000.**

**CALL-OFF CHARGES**

Rates for the Call-Off Contract Duration

**REDACTED**

Rates are exclusive of VAT

**VOLUME DISCOUNTS**

Not Applicable

**REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES**

Not Applicable

**DISBURSEMENTS**

Not Payable

**ADDITIONAL TRAINING CHARGE**

Not Applicable

**SECONDMENT CHARGE**

Not Applicable

**PAYMENT METHOD**

BACS (Subject to invoicing)

**BUYER'S INVOICING ADDRESS:**

Name: REDACTED

Role: Contract Manager

Email: REDACTED@energysecurity.gov.uk

**BUYER'S AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE**

Name: REDACTED

Role: Contract Manager

Email: REDACTED@energysecurity.gov.uk

**BUYER'S ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY**

Not applicable

**BUYER'S SECURITY POLICY**

Not applicable

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**BUYER'S ICT POLICY**  
Not applicable

**SUPPLIER'S AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE**  
REDACTED  
Partner  
REDACTED@sharpepritchard.co.uk  
Sharpe Pritchard LLP, 10-16 Elm Street, Elm Yard, London, WC1X0BJ

**SUPPLIER'S CONTRACT MANAGER**  
Same as Authorised Representative.

**OPERATIONAL BOARD MEETINGS AND PROGRESS MEETING FREQUENCY**  
The Operational Board will meet quarterly. It will cover performance management of the Contract.

**KEY STAFF**  
All those named individuals identified in Call-Off Schedule 4 (Call-Off Tender) are identified as Key Roles. Call-Off Schedule 7 (Key Supplier Staff) shall apply to these identified Key Roles.

**KEY SUBCONTRACTOR(S)**  
As per tender with support provided via Bevan Brittan LLP and Burness Paull LLP as appropriate and sub-contracting to be implemented via SP to achieve this.

**COMMERCIALLY SENSITIVE INFORMATION**  
See Joint Schedule 4 – Commercially Sensitive Information

**SERVICE CREDITS**  
There are no Service Credits applicable in the delivery of this Call off Contract.  
The Service Credit Cap is: Not applicable  
The Service Period is: Three Months  
A Critical Service Level Failure is: When any KPI has been awarded a red score in three reporting periods over a rolling five Service Period duration.

**ADDITIONAL INSURANCES**  
Not applicable

**GUARANTEE**  
Not applicable.

**SOCIAL VALUE COMMITMENT**  
The Supplier agrees, in providing the Deliverables and performing its obligations under the Call-Off Contract, that it will comply with the social value commitments in Call-Off Schedule 4 (Call-Off Tender)

This Call-Off Contract will be signed by both parties through the Buyer's e-Tendering portal. The executed signature block will be attached to this document once completed.

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# Core Terms

## **1. Definitions used in the contract**

Interpret this Contract using Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions).

## **2. How the contract works**

- 2.1 The Supplier is eligible for the award of Call-Off Contracts during the Framework Contract Period.
- 2.2 CCS does not guarantee the Supplier any exclusivity, quantity or value of work under the Framework Contract.
- 2.3 CCS has paid one penny to the Supplier legally to form the Framework Contract. The Supplier acknowledges this payment.
- 2.4 If the Buyer decides to buy Deliverables under the Framework Contract it must use Framework Schedule 7 (Call-Off Award Procedure) and must state its requirements using Framework Schedule 6 (Order Form Template and Call-Off Schedules). If allowed by the Regulations, the Buyer can:
  - (a) make changes to Framework Schedule 6 (Order Form Template and Call-Off Schedules);
  - (b) create new Call-Off Schedules;
  - (c) exclude optional template Call-Off Schedules; and/or
  - (d) use Special Terms in the Order Form to add or change terms.
- 2.5 Each Call-Off Contract:
  - (a) is a separate Contract from the Framework Contract;
  - (b) is between a Supplier and a Buyer;
  - (c) includes Core Terms, Schedules and any other changes or items in the completed Order Form; and
  - (d) survives the termination of the Framework Contract.
- 2.6 Where the Supplier is approached by any Other Contracting Authority requesting Deliverables or substantially similar goods or services, the Supplier must tell them about this Framework Contract before accepting their order.
- 2.7 The Supplier acknowledges it has all the information required to perform its obligations under each Contract before entering into a Contract. When information is provided by a Relevant Authority no warranty of its accuracy is given to the Supplier.
- 2.8 The Supplier will not be excused from any obligation, or be entitled to additional Costs or Charges because it failed to either:
  - (a) verify the accuracy of the Due Diligence Information; or
  - (b) properly perform its own adequate checks.
- 2.9 CCS and the Buyer will not be liable for errors, omissions or misrepresentation of any information.
- 2.10 The Supplier warrants and represents that all statements made and documents submitted as part of the procurement of Deliverables are and remain true and accurate.



### **3. What needs to be delivered**

#### **3.1 All deliverables**

3.1.1 The Supplier must provide Deliverables:

- (a) that comply with the Specification, the Framework Tender Response and, in relation to a Call-Off Contract, the Call-Off Tender (if there is one);
- (b) to a professional standard;
- (c) using reasonable skill and care;
- (d) using Good Industry Practice;
- (e) using its own policies, processes and internal quality control measures as long as they do not conflict with the Contract;
- (f) on the dates agreed; and
- (g) that comply with Law.

3.1.2 The Supplier must provide Deliverables with a warranty of at least 90 days from Delivery against all obvious defects.

#### **3.2 Goods clauses**

3.2.1 All Goods delivered must be new, or as new if recycled, unused and of recent origin.

3.2.2 All manufacturer warranties covering the Goods must be assignable to the Buyer on request and for free.

3.2.3 The Supplier transfers ownership of the Goods on Delivery or payment for those Goods, whichever is earlier.

3.2.4 Risk in the Goods transfers to the Buyer on Delivery of the Goods, but remains with the Supplier if the Buyer notices damage following Delivery and lets the Supplier know within 3 Working Days of Delivery.

3.2.5 The Supplier warrants that it has full and unrestricted ownership of the Goods at the time of transfer of ownership.

3.2.6 The Supplier must deliver the Goods on the date and to the specified location during the Buyer's working hours.

3.2.7 The Supplier must provide sufficient packaging for the Goods to reach the point of Delivery safely and undamaged.

3.2.8 All deliveries must have a delivery note attached that specifies the order number, type and quantity of Goods.

3.2.9 The Supplier must provide all tools, information and instructions the Buyer needs to make use of the Goods.

3.2.10 The Supplier must indemnify the Buyer against the costs of any Recall of the Goods and give notice of actual or anticipated action about the Recall of the Goods.

3.2.11 The Buyer can cancel any order or part order of Goods which has not been Delivered. If the Buyer gives less than 14 days notice then it will pay the Supplier's

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reasonable and proven costs already incurred on the cancelled order as long as the Supplier takes all reasonable steps to minimise these costs.

- 3.2.12 The Supplier must at its own cost repair, replace, refund or substitute (at the Buyer's option and request) any Goods that the Buyer rejects because they do not conform with Clause 3. If the Supplier does not do this it will pay the Buyer's costs including repair or re-supply by a third party.

**3.3 Services clauses**

- 3.3.1 Late Delivery of the Services will be a Default of a Call-Off Contract.
- 3.3.2 The Supplier must co-operate with the Buyer and third party suppliers on all aspects connected with the Delivery of the Services and ensure that Supplier Staff comply with any reasonable instructions.
- 3.3.3 The Supplier must at its own risk and expense provide all Supplier Equipment required to Deliver the Services.
- 3.3.4 The Supplier must allocate sufficient resources and appropriate expertise to each Contract.
- 3.3.5 The Supplier must take all reasonable care to ensure performance does not disrupt the Buyer's operations, employees or other contractors.
- 3.3.6 The Supplier must ensure all Services, and anything used to Deliver the Services, are of good quality and free from defects.
- 3.3.7 The Buyer is entitled to withhold payment for partially or undelivered Services, but doing so does not stop it from using its other rights under the Contract.

**4. Pricing and payments**

- 4.1 In exchange for the Deliverables, the Supplier must invoice the Buyer for the Charges in the Order Form.
- 4.2 CCS must invoice the Supplier for the Management Charge and the Supplier must pay it using the process in Framework Schedule 5 (Management Charges and Information).
- 4.3 All Charges and the Management Charge:
- (a) exclude VAT, which is payable on provision of a valid VAT invoice; and
  - (b) include all costs connected with the Supply of Deliverables.
- 4.4 The Buyer must pay the Supplier the Charges within 30 days of receipt by the Buyer of a valid, undisputed invoice, in cleared funds using the payment method and details stated in the Order Form.
- 4.5 A Supplier invoice is only valid if it:
- (a) includes all appropriate references including the Contract reference number and other details reasonably requested by the Buyer;
  - (b) includes a detailed breakdown of Delivered Deliverables and Milestone(s) (if any); and

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- (c) does not include any Management Charge (the Supplier must not charge the Buyer in any way for the Management Charge).
- 4.6 The Buyer must accept and process for payment an undisputed Electronic Invoice received from the Supplier.
- 4.7 The Buyer may retain or set-off payment of any amount owed to it by the Supplier if notice and reasons are provided.
- 4.8 The Supplier must ensure that all Subcontractors are paid, in full, within 30 days of receipt of a valid, undisputed invoice. If this does not happen, CCS or the Buyer can publish the details of the late payment or non-payment.
- 4.9 If CCS or the Buyer can get more favourable commercial terms for the supply at cost of any materials, goods or services used by the Supplier to provide the Deliverables, then CCS or the Buyer may require the Supplier to replace its existing commercial terms with the more favourable terms offered for the relevant items.
- 4.10 If CCS or the Buyer uses Clause 4.9 then the Framework Prices (and where applicable, the Charges) must be reduced by an agreed amount by using the Variation Procedure.
- 4.11 The Supplier has no right of set-off, counterclaim, discount or abatement unless they are ordered to do so by a court.

**5. The buyer's obligations to the supplier**

5.1 If Supplier Non-Performance arises from an Authority Cause:

- (a) neither CCS or the Buyer can terminate a Contract under Clause 10.4.1;
- (b) the Supplier is entitled to reasonable and proven additional expenses and to relief from liability and Deduction under this Contract;
- (c) the Supplier is entitled to additional time needed to make the Delivery; and
- (d) the Supplier cannot suspend the ongoing supply of Deliverables.

5.2 Clause 5.1 only applies if the Supplier:

- (a) gives notice to the Party responsible for the Authority Cause within 10 Working Days of becoming aware;
- (b) demonstrates that the Supplier Non-Performance would not have occurred but for the Authority Cause; and
- (c) mitigated the impact of the Authority Cause.

**6. Record keeping and reporting**

- 6.1 The Supplier must attend Progress Meetings with the Buyer and provide Progress Reports when specified in the Order Form.
- 6.2 The Supplier must keep and maintain full and accurate records and accounts on everything to do with the Contract:
  - (a) during the Contract Period;
  - (b) for 7 years after the End Date; and
  - (c) in accordance with UK GDPR,

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including but not limited to the records and accounts stated in the definition of Audit in Joint Schedule 1.

6.3 The Relevant Authority or an Auditor can Audit the Supplier.

6.4 During an Audit, the Supplier must:

- (a) allow the Relevant Authority or any Auditor access to their premises to verify all contract accounts and records of everything to do with the Contract and provide copies for an Audit; and
- (b) provide information to the Relevant Authority or to the Auditor and reasonable co-operation at their request.

6.5 Where the Audit of the Supplier is carried out by an Auditor, the Auditor shall be entitled to share any information obtained during the Audit with the Relevant Authority.

6.6 If the Supplier is not providing any of the Deliverables, or is unable to provide them, it must immediately:

- (a) tell the Relevant Authority and give reasons;
- (b) propose corrective action; and
- (c) provide a deadline for completing the corrective action.

6.7 The Supplier must provide CCS with a Self Audit Certificate supported by an audit report at the end of each Contract Year. The report must contain:

- (a) the methodology of the review;
- (b) the sampling techniques applied;
- (c) details of any issues; and
- (d) any remedial action taken.

6.8 The Self Audit Certificate must be completed and signed by an auditor or senior member of the Supplier's management team that is qualified in either a relevant audit or financial discipline.

## **7. Supplier staff**

7.1 The Supplier Staff involved in the performance of each Contract must:

- (a) be appropriately trained and qualified;
- (b) be vetted using Good Industry Practice and the Security Policy; and
- (c) comply with all conduct requirements when on the Buyer's Premises.

7.2 Where a Buyer decides one of the Supplier's Staff is not suitable to work on a contract, the Supplier must replace them with a suitably qualified alternative.

7.3 If requested, the Supplier must replace any person whose acts or omissions have caused the Supplier to breach Clause 27.

7.4 The Supplier must provide a list of Supplier Staff needing to access the Buyer's Premises and say why access is required.

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- 7.5 The Supplier indemnifies CCS and the Buyer against all claims brought by any person employed by the Supplier caused by an act or omission of the Supplier or any Supplier Staff.

**8. Rights and protection**

- 8.1 The Supplier warrants and represents that:

- (a) it has full capacity and authority to enter into and to perform each Contract;
- (b) each Contract is executed by its authorised representative;
- (c) it is a legally valid and existing organisation incorporated in the place it was formed;
- (d) there are no known legal or regulatory actions or investigations before any court, administrative body or arbitration tribunal pending or threatened against it or its Affiliates that might affect its ability to perform each Contract;
- (e) it maintains all necessary rights, authorisations, licences and consents to perform its obligations under each Contract;
- (f) it does not have any contractual obligations which are likely to have a material adverse effect on its ability to perform each Contract;
- (g) it is not impacted by an Insolvency Event; and
- (h) it will comply with each Call-Off Contract.

- 8.2 The warranties and representations in Clauses 2.10 and 8.1 are repeated each time the Supplier provides Deliverables under the Contract.

- 8.3 The Supplier indemnifies both CCS and every Buyer against each of the following:

- (a) wilful misconduct of the Supplier, Subcontractor and Supplier Staff that impacts the Contract; and
- (b) non-payment by the Supplier of any Tax or National Insurance.

- 8.4 All claims indemnified under this Contract must use Clause 26.

- 8.5 The description of any provision of this Contract as a warranty does not prevent CCS or a Buyer from exercising any termination right that it may have for breach of that clause by the Supplier.

- 8.6 If the Supplier becomes aware of a representation or warranty that becomes untrue or misleading, it must immediately notify CCS and every Buyer.

- 8.7 All third party warranties and indemnities covering the Deliverables must be assigned for the Buyer's benefit by the Supplier.

**9. Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs)**

- 9.1 Each Party keeps ownership of its own Existing IPRs. The Supplier gives the Buyer a non-exclusive, perpetual, royalty-free, irrevocable, transferable worldwide licence to use, change and sub-license the Supplier's Existing IPR to enable it to both:

- (a) receive and use the Deliverables; and
- (b) make use of the deliverables provided by a Replacement Supplier.

- 9.2 Any New IPR created under a Contract is owned by the Buyer. The Buyer gives the Supplier a licence to use any Existing IPRs and New IPRs for the purpose of fulfilling its obligations

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during the Contract Period.

- 9.3 Where a Party acquires ownership of IPRs incorrectly under this Contract it must do everything reasonably necessary to complete a transfer assigning them in writing to the other Party on request and at its own cost.
- 9.4 Neither Party has the right to use the other Party's IPRs, including any use of the other Party's names, logos or trademarks, except as provided in Clause 9 or otherwise agreed in writing.
- 9.5 If there is an IPR Claim, the Supplier indemnifies CCS and each Buyer against all losses, damages, costs or expenses (including professional fees and fines) incurred as a result.
- 9.6 If an IPR Claim is made or anticipated the Supplier must at its own expense and the Buyer's sole option, either:
- (a) obtain for CCS and the Buyer the rights in Clause 9.1 and 9.2 without infringing any third party IPR; or
  - (b) replace or modify the relevant item with substitutes that do not infringe IPR without adversely affecting the functionality or performance of the Deliverables.
- 9.7 In spite of any other provisions of a Contract and for the avoidance of doubt, award of a Contract by the Buyer and placement of any contract task under it does not constitute an authorisation by the Crown under Sections 55 and 56 of the Patents Act 1977 or Section 12 of the Registered Designs Act 1949. The Supplier acknowledges that any authorisation by the Buyer under its statutory powers must be expressly provided in writing, with reference to the acts authorised and the specific IPR involved.

## **10. Ending the contract or any subcontract**

### **10.1 Contract Period**

- 10.1.1 The Contract takes effect on the Start Date and ends on the End Date or earlier if required by Law.
- 10.1.2 The Relevant Authority can extend the Contract for the Extension Period by giving the Supplier no less than 3 Months' written notice before the Contract expires.

### **10.2 Ending the contract without a reason**

- 10.2.1 CCS has the right to terminate the Framework Contract at any time without reason by giving the Supplier at least 30 days' notice.
- 10.2.2 Each Buyer has the right to terminate their Call-Off Contract at any time without reason by giving the Supplier not less than 90 days' written notice.

### **10.3 Rectification plan process**

- 10.3.1 If there is a Default, the Relevant Authority may, without limiting its other rights, request that the Supplier provide a Rectification Plan, within 10 working days .
- 10.3.2 When the Relevant Authority receives a requested Rectification Plan it can either:
- (a) reject the Rectification Plan or revised Rectification Plan, giving reasons; or

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- (b) accept the Rectification Plan or revised Rectification Plan (without limiting its rights) and the Supplier must immediately start work on the actions in the Rectification Plan at its own cost, unless agreed otherwise by the Parties.

10.3.3 Where the Rectification Plan or revised Rectification Plan is rejected, the Relevant Authority:

- (a) must give reasonable grounds for its decision; and
- (b) may request that the Supplier provides a revised Rectification Plan within 5 Working Days.

10.3.4 If the Relevant Authority rejects any Rectification Plan, including any revised Rectification Plan, the Relevant Authority does not have to request a revised Rectification Plan before exercising its right to terminate its Contract under Clause 10.4.3(a).

**10.4 When CCS or the buyer can end a contract**

10.4.1 If any of the following events happen, the Relevant Authority has the right to immediately terminate its Contract by issuing a Termination Notice to the Supplier:

- (a) there is a Supplier Insolvency Event;
- (b) there is a Default that is not corrected in line with an accepted Rectification Plan;
- (c) the Supplier does not provide a Rectification Plan within 10 days of the request;
- (d) there is any material Default of the Contract;
- (e) there is any material Default of any Joint Controller Agreement relating to any Contract;
- (f) there is a Default of Clauses 2.10, 9, 14, 15, 27, 32 or Framework Schedule 9 (Cyber Essentials) (where applicable) relating to any Contract;
- (g) there is a consistent repeated failure to meet the Performance Indicators in Framework Schedule 4 (Framework Management);
- (h) there is a Change of Control of the Supplier which is not pre-approved by the Relevant Authority in writing;
- (i) if the Relevant Authority discovers that the Supplier was in one of the situations in 57 (1) or 57(2) of the Regulations at the time the Contract was awarded; or
- (j) the Supplier or its Affiliates embarrass or bring CCS or the Buyer into disrepute or diminish the public trust in them.

10.4.2 CCS may terminate the Framework Contract if a Buyer terminates a Call-Off Contract for any of the reasons listed in Clause 10.4.1.

10.4.3 If any of the following non-fault based events happen, the Relevant Authority has the right to immediately terminate its Contract by issuing a Termination Notice to the Supplier:

- (a) the Relevant Authority rejects a Rectification Plan;
- (b) there is a Variation which cannot be agreed using Clause 24 (Changing the contract) or resolved using Clause 34 (Resolving disputes);
- (c) if there is a declaration of ineffectiveness in respect of any Variation; or
- (d) the events in 73 (1) (a) of the Regulations happen.

**10.5 When the supplier can end the contract**

The Supplier can issue a Reminder Notice if the Buyer does not pay an undisputed invoice on time. The Supplier can terminate a Call-Off Contract if the Buyer fails to pay an undisputed invoiced sum

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due and worth over 10% of the annual Contract Value within 30 days of the date of the Reminder Notice.

**10.6 What happens if the contract ends**

- 10.6.1 Where a Party terminates a Contract under any of Clauses 10.2.1, 10.2.2, 10.4.1, 10.4.2, 10.4.3, 10.5 or 20.2 or a Contract expires all of the following apply:
- (a) The Buyer's payment obligations under the terminated Contract stop immediately.
  - (b) Accumulated rights of the Parties are not affected.
  - (c) The Supplier must promptly repay to the Buyer any and all Charges the Buyer has paid in advance in respect of Deliverables not provided by the Supplier as at the End Date.
  - (d) The Supplier must promptly delete or return the Government Data except where required to retain copies by Law.
  - (e) The Supplier must promptly return any of CCS or the Buyer's property provided under the terminated Contract.
  - (f) The Supplier must, at no cost to CCS or the Buyer, co-operate fully in the handover and re-procurement (including to a Replacement Supplier).
- 10.6.2 In addition to the consequences of termination listed in Clause 10.6.1, where the Relevant Authority terminates a Contract under Clause 10.4.1 the Supplier is also responsible for the Relevant Authority's reasonable costs of procuring Replacement Deliverables for the rest of the Contract Period.
- 10.6.3 In addition to the consequences of termination listed in Clause 10.6.1, if either the Relevant Authority terminates a Contract under Clause 10.2.1 or 10.2.2 or a Supplier terminates a Call-Off Contract under Clause 10.5:
- (a) the Buyer must promptly pay all outstanding Charges incurred to the Supplier; and
  - (b) the Buyer must pay the Supplier reasonable committed and unavoidable Losses as long as the Supplier provides a fully itemised and costed schedule with evidence - the maximum value of this payment is limited to the total sum payable to the Supplier if the Contract had not been terminated.
- 10.6.4 In addition to the consequences of termination listed in Clause 10.6.1, where a Party terminates under Clause 20.2 each Party must cover its own Losses.
- 10.6.5 The following Clauses survive the termination or expiry of each Contract: 3.2.10, 4.2, 6, 7.5, 9, 11, 12.2, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 31.3, 34, 35 and any Clauses and Schedules which are expressly or by implication intended to continue.

**10.7 Partially ending and suspending the contract**

- 10.7.1 Where CCS has the right to terminate the Framework Contract it can suspend the Supplier's ability to accept Orders (for any period) and the Supplier cannot enter into any new Call-Off Contracts during this period. If this happens, the Supplier must still meet its obligations under any existing Call-Off Contracts that have already been signed.
- 10.7.2 Where CCS has the right to terminate a Framework Contract it is entitled to terminate all or part of it.



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- 10.7.3 Where the Buyer has the right to terminate a Call-Off Contract it can terminate or suspend (for any period), all or part of it. If the Buyer suspends a Contract it can provide the Deliverables itself or buy them from a third party.
- 10.7.4 The Relevant Authority can only partially terminate or suspend a Contract if the remaining parts of that Contract can still be used to effectively deliver the intended purpose.
- 10.7.5 The Parties must agree any necessary Variation required by Clause 10.7 using the Variation Procedure, but the Supplier may not either:
- (a) reject the Variation; or
  - (b) increase the Charges, except where the right to partial termination is under Clause 10.2.
- 10.7.6 The Buyer can still use other rights available, or subsequently available to it if it acts on its rights under Clause 10.7.

**10.8 When subcontracts can be ended**

At the Buyer's request, the Supplier must terminate any Subcontracts in any of the following events:

- (a) there is a Change of Control of a Subcontractor which is not pre-approved by the Relevant Authority in writing;
- (b) the acts or omissions of the Subcontractor have caused or materially contributed to a right of termination under Clause 10.4; or
- (c) a Subcontractor or its Affiliates embarrasses or brings into disrepute or diminishes the public trust in the Relevant Authority.

**11. How much you can be held responsible for**

11.1 Each Party's total aggregate liability in each Contract Year under this Framework Contract (whether in tort, contract or otherwise) is no more than £1,000,000.

11.2 Each Party's total aggregate liability in each Contract Year under each Call-Off Contract (whether in tort, contract or otherwise) is no more than the greater of £5 million or 150% of the Estimated Yearly Charges unless specified in the Call-Off Order Form.

11.3 No Party is liable to the other for:

- (a) any indirect Losses; or
- (b) Loss of profits, turnover, savings, business opportunities or damage to goodwill (in each case whether direct or indirect).

11.4 In spite of Clause 11.1 and 11.2, neither Party limits or excludes any of the following:

- (a) its liability for death or personal injury caused by its negligence, or that of its employees, agents or Subcontractors;
- (b) its liability for bribery or fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation by it or its employees;
- (c) any liability that cannot be excluded or limited by Law;
- (d) its obligation to pay the required Management Charge or Default Management Charge.

11.5 In spite of Clauses 11.1 and 11.2, the Supplier does not limit or exclude its liability for any indemnity given under Clauses 7.5, 8.3(b), 9.5, 31.3 or Call-Off Schedule 2 (Staff Transfer) of a Contract.

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11.6 In spite of Clauses 11.1, 11.2 but subject to Clauses 11.3 and 11.4, the Supplier's aggregate liability in each and any Contract Year under each Contract under Clause 14.8 shall in no event exceed the Data Protection Liability Cap.

11.7 Each Party must use all reasonable endeavours to mitigate any Loss or damage which it suffers under or in connection with each Contract, including any indemnities.

11.8 When calculating the Supplier's liability under Clause 11.1 or 11.2 the following items will not be taken into consideration:

- (a) Deductions; and
- (b) any items specified in Clauses 11.5 or 11.6.

11.9 If more than one Supplier is party to a Contract, each Supplier Party is jointly and severally liable for their obligations under that Contract.

## **12. Obeying the law**

12.1 The Supplier must use reasonable endeavours to comply with the provisions of Joint Schedule 5 (Corporate Social Responsibility).

12.2 To the extent that it arises as a result of a Default by the Supplier, the Supplier indemnifies the Relevant Authority against any fine or penalty incurred by the Relevant Authority pursuant to Law and any costs incurred by the Relevant Authority in defending any proceedings which result in such fine or penalty.

12.3 The Supplier must appoint a Compliance Officer who must be responsible for ensuring that the Supplier complies with Law, Clause 12.1 and Clauses 27 to 32.

## **13. Insurance**

The Supplier must, at its own cost, obtain and maintain the Required Insurances in Joint Schedule 3 (Insurance Requirements) and any Additional Insurances in the Order Form.

## **14. Data protection**

14.1 The Supplier must process Personal Data and ensure that Supplier Staff process Personal Data only in accordance with Joint Schedule 11 (Processing Data).

14.2 The Supplier must not remove any ownership or security notices in or relating to the Government Data.

14.3 The Supplier must make accessible back-ups of all Government Data, stored in an agreed off-site location and send the Buyer copies every 6 Months.

14.4 The Supplier must ensure that any Supplier system holding any Government Data, including back-up data, is a secure system that complies with the Security Policy and any applicable Security Management Plan.

14.5 If at any time the Supplier suspects or has reason to believe that the Government Data provided under a Contract is corrupted, lost or sufficiently degraded, then the Supplier must notify the Relevant Authority and immediately suggest remedial action.

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14.6 If the Government Data is corrupted, lost or sufficiently degraded so as to be unusable the Relevant Authority may either or both:

- (a) tell the Supplier to restore or get restored Government Data as soon as practical but no later than 5 Working Days from the date that the Relevant Authority receives notice, or the Supplier finds out about the issue, whichever is earlier; and/or
- (b) restore the Government Data itself or using a third party.

14.7 The Supplier must pay each Party's reasonable costs of complying with Clause 14.6 unless CCS or the Buyer is at fault.

14.8 The Supplier:

- (a) must provide the Relevant Authority with all Government Data in an agreed open format within 10 Working Days of a written request;
- (b) must have documented processes to guarantee prompt availability of Government Data if the Supplier stops trading;
- (c) must securely destroy all Storage Media that has held Government Data at the end of life of that media using Good Industry Practice;
- (d) securely erase all Government Data and any copies it holds when asked to do so by CCS or the Buyer unless required by Law to retain it; and
- (e) indemnifies CCS and each Buyer against any and all Losses incurred if the Supplier breaches Clause 14 and any Data Protection Legislation.

## **15. What you must keep confidential**

15.1 Each Party must:

- (a) keep all Confidential Information it receives confidential and secure;
- (b) except as expressly set out in the Contract at Clauses 15.2 to 15.4 or elsewhere in the Contract, not disclose, use or exploit the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information without the Disclosing Party's prior written consent; and
- (c) immediately notify the Disclosing Party if it suspects unauthorised access, copying, use or disclosure of the Confidential Information.

15.2 In spite of Clause 15.1, a Party may disclose Confidential Information which it receives from the Disclosing Party in any of the following instances:

- (a) where disclosure is required by applicable Law or by a court with the relevant jurisdiction if, to the extent not prohibited by Law, the Recipient Party notifies the Disclosing Party of the full circumstances, the affected Confidential Information and extent of the disclosure;
- (b) if the Recipient Party already had the information without obligation of confidentiality before it was disclosed by the Disclosing Party;
- (c) if the information was given to it by a third party without obligation of confidentiality;
- (d) if the information was in the public domain at the time of the disclosure;
- (e) if the information was independently developed without access to the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information;
- (f) on a confidential basis, to its auditors;
- (g) on a confidential basis, to its professional advisers on a need-to-know basis; or
- (h) to the Serious Fraud Office where the Recipient Party has reasonable grounds to believe that the Disclosing Party is involved in activity that may be a criminal offence under the Bribery Act 2010.

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15.3 In spite of Clause 15.1, the Supplier may disclose Confidential Information on a confidential basis to Supplier Staff on a need-to-know basis to allow the Supplier to meet its obligations under the Contract. The Supplier Staff must enter into a direct confidentiality agreement with the Relevant Authority at its request.

15.4 In spite of Clause 15.1, CCS or the Buyer may disclose Confidential Information in any of the following cases:

- (a) on a confidential basis to the employees, agents, consultants and contractors of CCS or the Buyer;
- (b) on a confidential basis to any other Central Government Body, any successor body to a Central Government Body or any company that CCS or the Buyer transfers or proposes to transfer all or any part of its business to;
- (c) if CCS or the Buyer (acting reasonably) considers disclosure necessary or appropriate to carry out its public functions;
- (d) where requested by Parliament; or
- (e) under Clauses 4.7 and 16.

15.5 For the purposes of Clauses 15.2 to 15.4 references to disclosure on a confidential basis means disclosure under a confidentiality agreement or arrangement including terms as strict as those required in Clause 15.

15.6 Transparency Information is not Confidential Information.

15.7 The Supplier must not make any press announcement or publicise the Contracts or any part of them in any way, without the prior written consent of the Relevant Authority and must take all reasonable steps to ensure that Supplier Staff do not either.

## **16. When you can share information**

16.1 The Supplier must tell the Relevant Authority within 48 hours if it receives a Request For Information.

16.2 Within five (5) Working Days of the Buyer's request the Supplier must give CCS and each Buyer full co-operation and information needed so the Buyer can:

- (a) publish the Transparency Information;
- (b) comply with any Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request; and/or
- (c) comply with any Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) request.

16.3 The Relevant Authority may talk to the Supplier to help it decide whether to publish information under Clause 16. However, the extent, content and format of the disclosure is the Relevant Authority's decision in its absolute discretion.

## **17. Invalid parts of the contract**

If any part of a Contract is prohibited by Law or judged by a court to be unlawful, void or unenforceable, it must be read as if it was removed from that Contract as much as required and rendered ineffective as far as possible without affecting the rest of the Contract, whether it is valid or enforceable.

## **18. No other terms apply**

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The provisions incorporated into each Contract are the entire agreement between the Parties. The Contract replaces all previous statements, agreements and any course of dealings made between the Parties, whether written or oral, in relation to its subject matter. No other provisions apply.

**19. Other people's rights in a contract**

No third parties may use the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 (CRTPA) to enforce any term of the Contract unless stated (referring to CRTPA) in the Contract. This does not affect third party rights and remedies that exist independently from CRTPA.

**20. Circumstances beyond your control**

20.1 Any Party affected by a Force Majeure Event is excused from performing its obligations under a Contract while the inability to perform continues, if it both:

- (a) provides a Force Majeure Notice to the other Party; and
- (b) uses all reasonable measures practical to reduce the impact of the Force Majeure Event.

20.2 Either Party can partially or fully terminate the affected Contract if the provision of the Deliverables is materially affected by a Force Majeure Event which lasts for 90 days continuously.

**21. Relationships created by the contract**

No Contract creates a partnership, joint venture or employment relationship. The Supplier must represent themselves accordingly and ensure others do so.

**22. Giving up contract rights**

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

**23. Transferring responsibilities**

23.1 The Supplier cannot assign, novate or transfer a Contract or any part of a Contract without the Relevant Authority's written consent.

23.2 The Relevant Authority can assign, novate or transfer its Contract or any part of it to any Central Government Body, public or private sector body which performs the functions of the Relevant Authority.

23.3 When CCS or the Buyer uses its rights under Clause 23.2 the Supplier must enter into a novation agreement in the form that CCS or the Buyer specifies.

23.4 The Supplier can terminate a Contract novated under Clause 23.2 to a private sector body that is experiencing an Insolvency Event.

23.5 The Supplier remains responsible for all acts and omissions of the Supplier Staff as if they were its own.

23.6 If CCS or the Buyer asks the Supplier for details about Subcontractors, the Supplier must provide details of Subcontractors at all levels of the supply chain including:

- (a) their name;
- (b) the scope of their appointment; and

(c) the duration of their appointment.

## **24. Changing the contract**

24.1 Either Party can request a Variation which is only effective if agreed in writing and signed by both Parties.

24.2 The Supplier must provide an Impact Assessment either:

- (a) with the Variation Form, where the Supplier requests the Variation; or
- (b) within the time limits included in a Variation Form requested by CCS or the Buyer.

24.3 If the Variation cannot be agreed or resolved by the Parties, CCS or the Buyer can either:

- (a) agree that the Contract continues without the Variation; or
- (b) terminate the affected Contract, unless in the case of a Call-Off Contract, the Supplier has already provided part or all of the provision of the Deliverables, or where the Supplier can show evidence of substantial work being carried out to provide them; or
- (c) refer the Dispute to be resolved using Clause 34 (Resolving Disputes).

24.4 CCS and the Buyer are not required to accept a Variation request made by the Supplier.

24.5 If there is a General Change in Law, the Supplier must bear the risk of the change and is not entitled to ask for an increase to the Framework Prices or the Charges.

24.6 If there is a Specific Change in Law or one is likely to happen during the Contract Period the Supplier must give CCS and the Buyer notice of the likely effects of the changes as soon as reasonably practical. They must also say if they think any Variation is needed either to the Deliverables, Framework Prices or a Contract and provide evidence:

- (a) that the Supplier has kept costs as low as possible, including in Subcontractor costs; and
- (b) of how it has affected the Supplier's costs.

24.7 Any change in the Framework Prices or relief from the Supplier's obligations because of a Specific Change in Law must be implemented using Clauses 24.1 to 24.4.

24.8 For 101(5) of the Regulations, if the Court declares any Variation ineffective, the Parties agree that their mutual rights and obligations will be regulated by the terms of the Contract as they existed immediately prior to that Variation and as if the Parties had never entered into that Variation.

## **25. How to communicate about the contract**

25.1 All notices under the Contract must be in writing and are considered effective on the Working Day of delivery as long as they are delivered before 5:00pm on a Working Day. Otherwise the notice is effective on the next Working Day. An email is effective at 9:00am on the first Working Day after sending unless an error message is received.

25.2 Notices to CCS must be sent to the CCS Authorised Representative's address or email address in the Framework Award Form.

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25.3 Notices to the Buyer must be sent to the Buyer Authorised Representative's address or email address in the Order Form.

25.4 This Clause does not apply to the service of legal proceedings or any documents in any legal action, arbitration or dispute resolution.

## **26. Dealing with claims**

26.1 If a Beneficiary is notified of a Claim then it must notify the Indemnifier as soon as reasonably practical and no later than 10 Working Days.

26.2 At the Indemnifier's cost the Beneficiary must both:

- (a) allow the Indemnifier to conduct all negotiations and proceedings to do with a Claim; and
- (b) give the Indemnifier reasonable assistance with the claim if requested.

26.3 The Beneficiary must not make admissions about the Claim without the prior written consent of the Indemnifier which can not be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

26.4 The Indemnifier must consider and defend the Claim diligently using competent legal advisors and in a way that does not damage the Beneficiary's reputation.

26.5 The Indemnifier must not settle or compromise any Claim without the Beneficiary's prior written consent which it must not unreasonably withhold or delay.

26.6 Each Beneficiary must take all reasonable steps to minimise and mitigate any losses that it suffers because of the Claim.

26.7 If the Indemnifier pays the Beneficiary money under an indemnity and the Beneficiary later recovers money which is directly related to the Claim, the Beneficiary must immediately repay the Indemnifier the lesser of either:

- (a) the sum recovered minus any legitimate amount spent by the Beneficiary when recovering this money; or
- (b) the amount the Indemnifier paid the Beneficiary for the Claim.

## **27. Preventing fraud, bribery and corruption**

27.1 The Supplier must not during any Contract Period:

- (a) commit a Prohibited Act or any other criminal offence in the Regulations 57(1) and 57(2); or
- (b) do or allow anything which would cause CCS or the Buyer, including any of their employees, consultants, contractors, Subcontractors or agents to breach any of the Relevant Requirements or incur any liability under them.

27.2 The Supplier must during the Contract Period:

- (a) create, maintain and enforce adequate policies and procedures to ensure it complies with the Relevant Requirements to prevent a Prohibited Act and require its Subcontractors to do the same;
- (b) keep full records to show it has complied with its obligations under Clause 27 and give copies to CCS or the Buyer on request; and

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- (c) if required by the Relevant Authority, within 20 Working Days of the Start Date of the relevant Contract, and then annually, certify in writing to the Relevant Authority, that they have complied with Clause 27, including compliance of Supplier Staff, and provide reasonable supporting evidence of this on request, including its policies and procedures.

27.3 The Supplier must immediately notify CCS and the Buyer if it becomes aware of any breach of Clauses 27.1 or 27.2 or has any reason to think that it, or any of the Supplier Staff, has either:

- (a) been investigated or prosecuted for an alleged Prohibited Act;
- (b) been debarred, suspended, proposed for suspension or debarment, or is otherwise ineligible to take part in procurement programmes or contracts because of a Prohibited Act by any government department or agency;
- (c) received a request or demand for any undue financial or other advantage of any kind related to a Contract; or
- (d) suspected that any person or Party directly or indirectly related to a Contract has committed or attempted to commit a Prohibited Act.

27.4 If the Supplier notifies CCS or the Buyer as required by Clause 27.3, the Supplier must respond promptly to their further enquiries, co-operate with any investigation and allow the Audit of any books, records and relevant documentation.

27.5 In any notice the Supplier gives under Clause 27.3 it must specify the:

- (a) Prohibited Act;
- (b) identity of the Party who it thinks has committed the Prohibited Act; and
- (c) action it has decided to take.

## **28. Equality, diversity and human rights**

28.1 The Supplier must follow all applicable equality Law when they perform their obligations under the Contract, including:

- (a) protections against discrimination on the grounds of race, sex, gender reassignment, religion or belief, disability, sexual orientation, pregnancy, maternity, age or otherwise; and
- (b) any other requirements and instructions which CCS or the Buyer reasonably imposes related to equality Law.

28.2 The Supplier must take all necessary steps, and inform CCS or the Buyer of the steps taken, to prevent anything that is considered to be unlawful discrimination by any court or tribunal, or the Equality and Human Rights Commission (or any successor organisation) when working on a Contract.

## **29. Health and safety**

29.1 The Supplier must perform its obligations meeting the requirements of:

- (a) all applicable Law regarding health and safety; and
- (b) the Buyer's current health and safety policy while at the Buyer's Premises, as provided to the Supplier.



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29.2 The Supplier and the Buyer must as soon as possible notify the other of any health and safety incidents or material hazards they are aware of at the Buyer Premises that relate to the performance of a Contract.

### **30. Environment**

30.1 When working on Site the Supplier must perform its obligations under the Buyer's current Environmental Policy, which the Buyer must provide.

30.2 The Supplier must ensure that Supplier Staff are aware of the Buyer's Environmental Policy.

### **31. Tax**

31.1 The Supplier must not breach any Tax or social security obligations and must enter into a binding agreement to pay any late contributions due, including where applicable, any interest or any fines. CCS and the Buyer cannot terminate a Contract where the Supplier has not paid a minor Tax or social security contribution.

31.2 Where the Charges payable under a Contract with the Buyer are or are likely to exceed £5 million at any point during the relevant Contract Period, and an Occasion of Tax Non-Compliance occurs, the Supplier must notify CCS and the Buyer of it within 5 Working Days including:

- (a) the steps that the Supplier is taking to address the Occasion of Tax Non-Compliance and any mitigating factors that it considers relevant; and
- (b) other information relating to the Occasion of Tax Non-Compliance that CCS and the Buyer may reasonably need.

31.3 Where the Supplier or any Supplier Staff are liable to be taxed or to pay National Insurance contributions in the UK relating to payment received under a Call-Off Contract, the Supplier must both:

- (a) comply with the Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003 and all other statutes and regulations relating to income tax, the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 (including IR35) and National Insurance contributions; and
- (b) indemnify the Buyer against any Income Tax, National Insurance and social security contributions and any other liability, deduction, contribution, assessment or claim arising from or made during or after the Contract Period in connection with the provision of the Deliverables by the Supplier or any of the Supplier Staff.

31.4 If any of the Supplier Staff are Workers who receive payment relating to the Deliverables, then the Supplier must ensure that its contract with the Worker contains the following requirements:

- (a) the Buyer may, at any time during the Contract Period, request that the Worker provides information which demonstrates they comply with Clause 31.3, or why those requirements do not apply, the Buyer can specify the information the Worker must provide and the deadline for responding;
- (b) the Worker's contract may be terminated at the Buyer's request if the Worker fails to provide the information requested by the Buyer within the time specified by the Buyer;
- (c) the Worker's contract may be terminated at the Buyer's request if the Worker provides information which the Buyer considers is not good enough to demonstrate how it complies

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with Clause 31.3 or confirms that the Worker is not complying with those requirements;  
and

- (d) the Buyer may supply any information they receive from the Worker to HMRC for revenue collection and management.

**32. Conflict of interest**

32.1 The Supplier must take action to ensure that neither the Supplier nor the Supplier Staff are placed in the position of an actual or potential Conflict of Interest.

32.2 The Supplier must promptly notify and provide details to CCS and each Buyer if a Conflict of Interest happens or is expected to happen.

32.3 CCS and each Buyer can terminate its Contract immediately by giving notice in writing to the Supplier or take any steps it thinks are necessary where there is or may be an actual or potential Conflict of Interest.

**33. Reporting a breach of the contract**

33.1 As soon as it is aware of it the Supplier and Supplier Staff must report to CCS or the Buyer any actual or suspected breach of:

- (a) Law;
- (b) Clause 12.1; or
- (c) Clauses 27 to 32.

33.2 The Supplier must not retaliate against any of the Supplier Staff who in good faith reports a breach listed in Clause 33.1 to the Buyer or a Prescribed Person.

**34. Resolving disputes**

34.1 If there is a Dispute, the senior representatives of the Parties who have authority to settle the Dispute will, within 28 days of a written request from the other Party, meet in good faith to resolve the Dispute.

34.2 If the Dispute is not resolved at that meeting, the Parties can attempt to settle it by mediation using the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR) Model Mediation Procedure current at the time of the Dispute. If the Parties cannot agree on a mediator, the mediator will be nominated by CEDR. If either Party does not wish to use, or continue to use mediation, or mediation does not resolve the Dispute, the Dispute must be resolved using Clauses 34.3 to 34.5.

34.3 Unless the Relevant Authority refers the Dispute to arbitration using Clause 34.4, the Parties irrevocably agree that the courts of England and Wales have the exclusive jurisdiction to:

- (a) determine the Dispute;
- (b) grant interim remedies; and/or
- (c) grant any other provisional or protective relief.

34.4 The Supplier agrees that the Relevant Authority has the exclusive right to refer any Dispute to be finally resolved by arbitration under the London Court of International Arbitration Rules current at the time of the Dispute. There will be only one arbitrator. The seat or legal place of the arbitration will be London and the proceedings will be in English.

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34.5 The Relevant Authority has the right to refer a Dispute to arbitration even if the Supplier has started or has attempted to start court proceedings under Clause 34.3, unless the Relevant Authority has agreed to the court proceedings or participated in them. Even if court proceedings have started, the Parties must do everything necessary to ensure that the court proceedings are stayed in favour of any arbitration proceedings if they are started under Clause 34.4.

34.6 The Supplier cannot suspend the performance of a Contract during any Dispute.

**35. Which law applies**

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

## Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions)

In each Contract, unless the context otherwise requires, capitalised expressions shall have the meanings set out in this Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions) or the relevant Schedule in which that capitalised expression appears.

- 1.1 If a capitalised expression does not have an interpretation in this Schedule or any other Schedule, it shall, in the first instance, be interpreted in accordance with the common interpretation within the relevant market sector/industry where appropriate. Otherwise, it shall be interpreted in accordance with the dictionary meaning.
- 1.2 In each Contract, unless the context otherwise requires:
  - 1.2.1 the singular includes the plural and vice versa;
  - 1.2.2 reference to a gender includes the other gender and the neuter;
  - 1.2.3 references to a person include an individual, company, body corporate, corporation, unincorporated association, firm, partnership or other legal entity or Central Government Body;
  - 1.2.4 a reference to any Law includes a reference to that Law as amended, extended, consolidated or re-enacted from time to time;
  - 1.2.5 the words "**including**", "**other**", "**in particular**", "**for example**" and similar words shall not limit the generality of the preceding words and shall be construed as if they were immediately followed by the words "**without limitation**";
  - 1.2.6 references to "**writing**" include typing, printing, lithography, photography, display on a screen, electronic and facsimile transmission and other modes of representing or reproducing words in a visible form, and expressions referring to writing shall be construed accordingly;
  - 1.2.7 references to "**representations**" shall be construed as references to present facts, to "**warranties**" as references to present and future facts and to "**undertakings**" as references to obligations under the Contract;
  - 1.2.8 references to "**Clauses**" and "**Schedules**" are, unless otherwise provided, references to the clauses and schedules of the Core Terms and references in any Schedule to parts, paragraphs, annexes and tables are, unless otherwise provided, references to the parts, paragraphs, annexes and tables of the Schedule in which these references appear;
  - 1.2.9 references to "**Paragraphs**" are, unless otherwise provided, references to the paragraph of the appropriate Schedules unless otherwise provided;
  - 1.2.10 references to a series of Clauses or Paragraphs shall be inclusive of the clause numbers specified;

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- 1.2.11 the headings in each Contract are for ease of reference only and shall not affect the interpretation or construction of a Contract;
- 1.2.12 where the Buyer is a Central Government Body it shall be treated as contracting with the Crown as a whole;
- 1.2.13 where a standard, policy or document is referred to by reference of a hyperlink, if that hyperlink is changed or no longer provides access to the relevant standard, policy or document, the Supplier shall notify the Relevant Authority and the Parties shall update the reference to a replacement hyperlink;
- 1.2.14 any reference in a Contract which immediately before Exit Day was a reference to (as it has effect from time to time):
- (a) any EU regulation, EU decision, EU tertiary legislation or provision of the EEA agreement ("**EU References**") which is to form part of domestic law by application of section 3 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 shall be read on and after Exit Day as a reference to the EU References as they form part of domestic law by virtue of section 3 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 as modified by domestic law from time to time; and
  - (b) any EU institution or EU authority or other such EU body shall be read on and after Exit Day as a reference to the UK institution, authority or body to which its functions were transferred; and
- 1.2.15 unless otherwise provided, references to "**Buyer**" shall be construed as including Exempt Buyers; and
- 1.2.16 unless otherwise provided, references to "**Call-Off Contract**" and "**Contract**" shall be construed as including Exempt Call-off Contracts.

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

<b>"Achieve"</b>	in respect of a Test, to successfully pass such Test without any Test Issues and in respect of a Milestone, the issue of a Satisfaction Certificate in respect of that Milestone and " <b>Achieved</b> ", " <b>Achieving</b> " and " <b>Achievement</b> " shall be construed accordingly;
<b>"Additional Insurances"</b>	insurance requirements relating to a Call-Off Contract specified in the Order Form additional to those outlined in Joint Schedule 3 (Insurance Requirements);
<b>"Additional Training Charge"</b>	the Charge for any additional training agreed to be provided by the Supplier to the Buyer in excess of the Value Added Services set out in Framework Schedule 1 (Specification), which shall not exceed the Supplier's Hourly Rates;
<b>"Admin Fee"</b>	means the costs incurred by CCS in dealing with MI Failures calculated in accordance with the tariff of administration charges published by the CCS on:

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	<a href="http://CCS.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/i-am-supplier/management-information/admin-fees">http://CCS.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/i-am-supplier/management-information/admin-fees</a> ;
"Affected Party"	the Party seeking to claim relief in respect of a Force Majeure Event;
"Affiliates"	in relation to a body corporate, any other entity which directly or indirectly Controls, is Controlled by, or is under direct or indirect common Control of that body corporate from time to time;
"Annex"	extra information which supports a Schedule;
"Approval"	the prior written consent of the Buyer and " <b>Approve</b> " and " <b>Approved</b> " shall be construed accordingly;
"Audit"	<p>the Relevant Authority's right to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) verify the accuracy of the Charges and any other amounts payable by a Buyer under a Call-Off Contract (including proposed or actual variations to them in accordance with the Contract);</li> <li>b) verify the costs of the Supplier (including the costs of all Subcontractors and any third party suppliers) in connection with the provision of the Services;</li> <li>c) verify the Open Book Data;</li> <li>d) verify the Supplier's and each Subcontractor's compliance with the Contract and applicable Law;</li> <li>e) identify or investigate actual or suspected breach of Clauses 27 to 33 and/or Joint Schedule 5 (Corporate Social Responsibility), impropriety or accounting mistakes or any breach or threatened breach of security and in these circumstances the Relevant Authority shall have no obligation to inform the Supplier of the purpose or objective of its investigations;</li> <li>f) identify or investigate any circumstances which may impact upon the financial stability of the Supplier, any Guarantor, and/or any Subcontractors or their ability to provide the Deliverables;</li> <li>g) obtain such information as is necessary to fulfil the Relevant Authority's obligations to supply information for parliamentary, ministerial, judicial or administrative purposes including the supply of information to the Comptroller and Auditor General;</li> <li>h) review any books of account and the internal contract management accounts kept by the Supplier in connection with each Contract;</li> <li>i) carry out the Relevant Authority's internal and statutory audits and to prepare, examine and/or certify the Relevant Authority's annual and interim reports and accounts;</li> <li>j) enable the National Audit Office to carry out an examination pursuant to Section 6(1) of the National Audit Act 1983 of the economy, efficiency and effectiveness with which the Relevant Authority has used its resources;</li> </ul>

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	<p>k) verify the accuracy and completeness of any Management Information delivered or required by the Framework Contract;</p> <p>l) receive from the Supplier on request summaries of all central Government public sector expenditure placed with the Supplier including through routes outside the Framework Contract in order to verify that the Supplier's practice is consistent with the Government's transparency on common goods and services; or</p> <p>m) inspect the Buyer's Assets, including IPR, equipment and facilities, for the purposes of ensuring that the Buyer's Assets are secure and that any register of assets is up-to-date;</p>
<b>"Auditor"</b>	<p>a) the Relevant Authority's internal and external auditors;</p> <p>b) the Relevant Authority's statutory or regulatory auditors;</p> <p>c) the Comptroller and Auditor General, their staff and/or any appointed representatives of the National Audit Office;</p> <p>d) HM Treasury or the Cabinet Office;</p> <p>e) any party formally appointed by the Relevant Authority to carry out audit or similar review functions; and</p> <p>f) successors or assigns of any of the above;</p>
<b>"Authority"</b>	CCS and each Buyer;
<b>"Authority Cause"</b>	any breach of the obligations of the Relevant Authority or any other default, act, omission, negligence or statement of the Relevant Authority, of its employees, servants, agents in connection with or in relation to the subject-matter of the Contract and in respect of which the Relevant Authority is liable to the Supplier;
<b>"BACS"</b>	the Bankers' Automated Clearing Services, which is a scheme for the electronic processing of financial transactions within the United Kingdom;
<b>"Beneficiary"</b>	a Party having (or claiming to have) the benefit of an indemnity under this Contract;
<b>"Buyer"</b>	the relevant public sector purchaser identified as such in the Order Form;
<b>"Buyer Assets"</b>	the Buyer's infrastructure, data, software, materials, assets, equipment or other property owned by and/or licensed or leased to the Buyer and which is or may be used in connection with the provision of the Deliverables which remain the property of the Buyer throughout the term of the Contract;
<b>"Buyer Authorised Representative"</b>	the representative appointed by the Buyer from time to time in relation to the Call-Off Contract initially identified in the Order Form;
<b>"Buyer Premises"</b>	premises owned, controlled or occupied by the Buyer which are made available for use by the Supplier or its Subcontractors for the provision of the Deliverables (or any of them);

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<b>"Call-Off Contract"</b>	the contract between the Buyer and the Supplier (entered into pursuant to the provisions of the Framework Contract), which consists of the terms set out and referred to in the Order Form;
<b>"Call-Off Contract Period"</b>	the Contract Period in respect of the Call-Off Contract;
<b>"Call-Off Expiry Date"</b>	the:  (a) scheduled date of the end of a Call-Off Contract as stated in the Order Form; or  (b) 2 years after the End Date of the Framework Contract;  whichever is earlier;
<b>"Call-Off Incorporated Terms"</b>	the contractual terms applicable to the Call-Off Contract specified under the relevant heading in the Order Form;
<b>"Call-Off Initial Period"</b>	the Initial Period of a Call-Off Contract specified in the Order Form;
<b>"Call-Off Optional Extension Period"</b>	such period or periods beyond which the Call-Off Initial Period may be extended as specified in the Order Form;
<b>"Call-Off Procedure"</b>	the process for awarding a Call-Off Contract pursuant to Clause 2 (How the contract works) and Framework Schedule 7 (Call-Off Award Procedure);
<b>"Call-Off Special Schedules"</b>	Any additional schedules specified in the Order Form incorporated into the applicable Call-Off Contract;
<b>"Call-Off Special Terms"</b>	any additional terms and conditions specified in the Order Form incorporated into the applicable Call-Off Contract;
<b>"Call-Off Start Date"</b>	the date of start of a Call-Off Contract as stated in the Order Form;
<b>"Call-Off Tender"</b>	the tender submitted by the Supplier in response to the Buyer's Statement of Requirements following a Further Competition Procedure and set out at Call-Off Schedule 4 (Call-Off Tender) or their proposal following a direct award in accordance Framework Schedule 7 (Call-Off Award Procedure);
<b>"Capped Price"</b>	a Pricing Mechanism where the Supplier agrees that the Charges to be paid by the Buyer will not exceed a maximum amount (i.e. a 'cap') for the supply of the Deliverables or, one or more specific elements of the Deliverables, which can be calculated either:  (i) by reference to a single capped price, with Hourly Rates charged up to the maximum of the cap; or  (ii) multiple capped prices, each referenced to a different element or milestone of the Deliverables, with Hourly Rates charged up to the cap;
<b>"CCS"</b>	the Minister for the Cabinet Office as represented by Crown Commercial Service, which is an executive agency and operates as a trading fund of the Cabinet Office, whose offices are located at 9th Floor, The Capital, Old Hall Street, Liverpool L3 9PP;



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<b>"CCS Authorised Representative"</b>	the representative appointed by CCS from time to time in relation to the Framework Contract initially identified in the Framework Award Form;
<b>"Central Government Body"</b>	<p>a body listed in one of the following sub-categories of the Central Government classification of the Public Sector Classification Guide, as published and amended from time to time by the Office for National Statistics:</p> <p>Government Department;</p> <p>Non-Departmental Public Body or Assembly Sponsored Public Body (advisory, executive, or tribunal);</p> <p>Non-Ministerial Department; or</p> <p>Executive Agency;</p>
<b>"Change in Law"</b>	any change in Law which impacts on the supply of the Deliverables and performance of the Contract which comes into force after the Start Date;
<b>"Change of Control"</b>	<p>is:</p> <p>(a) a change of control within the meaning of Section 450 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010; or</p> <p>(b) any instance where the Supplier demerges into 2 or more firms, merges with another firm, incorporated or otherwise changes its legal form;</p>
<b>"Charges"</b>	the prices (exclusive of any applicable VAT), payable to the Supplier by the Buyer under the Call-Off Contract, as set out in the Order Form, for the full and proper performance by the Supplier of its obligations under the Call-Off Contract less any Deductions;
<b>"Claim"</b>	any claim which it appears that a Beneficiary is, or may become, entitled to indemnification under this Contract;
<b>"Commercially Sensitive Information"</b>	the Confidential Information listed in the Framework Award Form or Order Form (if any) comprising of commercially sensitive information relating to the Supplier, its IPR or its business or which the Supplier has indicated to the Authority that, if disclosed by the Authority, would cause the Supplier significant commercial disadvantage or material financial loss;
<b>"Comparable Deliverables"</b>	the supply of any goods and/or services under an existing arrangement between the Supplier and Buyer referred to in Clause 2.11 and 2.13 as set out under the Framework Special Terms.
<b>"Comparable Supply"</b>	the supply of Deliverables to another buyer of the Supplier that are the same or similar to the Deliverables;
<b>"Complaint"</b>	as any formal written complaint made by any Other Contracting Authority in relation to the performance of a Contract in accordance with Clause 34.7 to 34.9 (Complaints Handling);
<b>"Compliance Officer"</b>	the person(s) appointed by the Supplier who is responsible for ensuring that the Supplier complies with its legal obligations;

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<b>"Confidential Information"</b>	means any information, however it is conveyed, that relates to the business, affairs, developments, trade secrets, Know-How, personnel and suppliers of CCS, the Buyer or the Supplier, including IPRs, together with information derived from the above, and any other information clearly designated as being confidential (whether or not it is marked as <b>"confidential"</b> ) or which ought reasonably to be considered to be confidential;
<b>"Conflict of Interest"</b>	a conflict between the financial or personal duties of the Supplier or the Supplier Staff and the duties owed to CCS or any Buyer under a Contract, in the reasonable opinion of the Buyer or CCS, and includes the meaning set out in the SRA Standards and Regulations (issued 29 October 2019: <a href="https://www.sra.org.uk/solicitors/guidance/ethics-guidance/conflicts-interest/">https://www.sra.org.uk/solicitors/guidance/ethics-guidance/conflicts-interest/</a> ) or equivalent Regulatory Compliance requirements in Jurisdictions other than England and Wales, as amended from time to time;
<b>"Contract"</b>	either the Framework Contract or the Call-Off Contract, as the context requires;
<b>"Contract Period"</b>	the term of either a Framework Contract or Call-Off Contract on and from the earlier of the:  a) applicable Start Date; or  b) the Effective Date  up to and including the applicable End Date;
<b>"Contract Value"</b>	the higher of the actual or expected total Charges paid or payable under a Contract where all obligations are met by the Supplier;
<b>"Contract Year"</b>	a consecutive period of twelve (12) Months commencing on the Start Date or each anniversary thereof;
<b>"Control"</b>	control in either of the senses defined in sections 450 and 1124 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 and <b>"Controlled"</b> shall be construed accordingly;
<b>"Controller"</b>	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR;
<b>"Core Terms"</b>	CCS' terms and conditions for common goods and services which govern how Suppliers must interact with CCS and Buyers under Framework Contracts and Call-Off Contracts;
<b>"Costs"</b>	the following costs (without double recovery) to the extent that they are reasonably and properly incurred by the Supplier in providing the Deliverables:  the cost to the Supplier or the Key Subcontractor (as the context requires), calculated per Work Day, of engaging the Supplier Staff, including:  base salary paid to the Supplier Staff;  employer's National Insurance contributions;  pension contributions;  car allowances;

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	<p>any other contractual employment benefits;</p> <p>staff training;</p> <p>work place accommodation;</p> <p>work place IT equipment and tools reasonably necessary to provide the Deliverables (but not including items included within limb (b) below); and</p> <p>reasonable recruitment costs, as agreed with the Buyer;</p> <p>costs incurred in respect of Supplier Assets which would be treated as capital costs according to generally accepted accounting principles within the UK, which shall include the cost to be charged in respect of Supplier Assets by the Supplier to the Buyer or (to the extent that risk and title in any Supplier Asset is not held by the Supplier) any cost actually incurred by the Supplier in respect of those Supplier Assets;</p> <p>operational costs which are not included within (a) or (b) above, to the extent that such costs are necessary and properly incurred by the Supplier in the provision of the Deliverables; and</p> <p>Reimbursable Expenses to the extent these have been specified as allowable in the Order Form and are incurred in delivering any Deliverables;</p> <p>but excluding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Overhead;</li> <li>(ii) financing or similar costs;</li> <li>(iii) maintenance and support costs to the extent that these relate to maintenance and/or support Deliverables provided beyond the Call-Off Contract Period whether in relation to Supplier Assets or otherwise;</li> <li>(iv) taxation;</li> <li>(v) fines and penalties;</li> <li>(vi) amounts payable under Call-Off Schedule 16 (Benchmarking) where such Schedule is used; and</li> <li>(vii) non-cash items (including depreciation, amortisation, impairments and movements in provisions);</li> </ul>
<b>"CRTPA"</b>	the Contract Rights of Third Parties Act 1999;
<b>"Data Protection Impact Assessment"</b>	an assessment by the Controller of the impact of the envisaged Processing on the protection of Personal Data;
<b>"Data Protection Legislation"</b>	(i) the UK GDPR as amended from time to time; (ii) the DPA 2018 to the extent that it relates to Processing of Personal Data and privacy; (iii) all applicable Law about the Processing of Personal Data and privacy;
<b>"Data Protection Liability Cap"</b>	the amount specified in the Framework Award Form;

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<b>"Data Protection Officer"</b>	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR;
<b>"Data Subject"</b>	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR;
<b>"Data Subject Access Request"</b>	a request made by, or on behalf of, a Data Subject in accordance with rights granted pursuant to the Data Protection Legislation to access their Personal Data;
<b>"Deductions"</b>	all Service Credits, Delay Payments (if applicable), or any other deduction which the Buyer is paid or is payable to the Buyer under a Call-Off Contract;
<b>"Default"</b>	any breach of the obligations of the Supplier (including abandonment of a Contract in breach of its terms) or any other default (including material default), act, omission, negligence or statement of the Supplier, of its Subcontractors or any Supplier Staff howsoever arising in connection with or in relation to the subject-matter of a Contract and in respect of which the Supplier is liable to the Relevant Authority;
<b>"Default Management Charge"</b>	has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 8.1.1 of Framework Schedule 5 (Management Charges and Information);
<b>"Delay Payments"</b>	the amounts (if any) payable by the Supplier to the Buyer in respect of a delay in respect of a Milestone as specified in the Implementation Plan;
<b>"Deliverables"</b>	Goods and/or Services that may be ordered under the Contract including the Documentation;
<b>"Delivery"</b>	delivery of the relevant Deliverable or Milestone in accordance with the terms of a Call-Off Contract as confirmed and accepted by the Buyer by the either (a) confirmation in writing to the Supplier; or (b) where Call-Off Schedule 13 (Implementation Plan and Testing) is used issue by the Buyer of a Satisfaction Certificate. <b>"Deliver"</b> and <b>"Delivered"</b> shall be construed accordingly;
<b>"Disbursements"</b>	any costs or expenses paid or to be paid to a third party on behalf of the Buyer (including any VAT), save for office expenses such as postage and courier fees;
<b>"Disclosing Party"</b>	the Party directly or indirectly providing Confidential Information to the other Party in accordance with Clause 15 (What you must keep confidential);
<b>"Dispute"</b>	any claim, dispute or difference (whether contractual or non-contractual) arising out of or in connection with the Contract or in connection with the negotiation, existence, legal validity, enforceability or termination of the Contract, whether the alleged liability shall arise under English law or under the law of some other country and regardless of whether a particular cause of action may successfully be brought in the English courts;
<b>"Dispute Resolution Procedure"</b>	the dispute resolution procedure set out in Clause 34 (Resolving disputes);
<b>"Documentation"</b>	descriptions of the Services and Service Levels, technical specifications, user manuals, training manuals, operating manuals, process definitions and procedures, system environment descriptions and all such other documentation

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	<p>(whether in hardcopy or electronic form) is required to be supplied by the Supplier to the Buyer under a Contract as:</p> <p>would reasonably be required by a competent third party capable of Good Industry Practice contracted by the Buyer to develop, configure, build, deploy, run, maintain, upgrade and test the individual systems that provide the Deliverables</p> <p>is required by the Supplier in order to provide the Deliverables; and/or</p> <p>has been or shall be generated for the purpose of providing the Deliverables;</p>
<b>"DOTAS"</b>	the Disclosure of Tax Avoidance Schemes rules which require a promoter of Tax schemes to tell HMRC of any specified notifiable arrangements or proposals and to provide prescribed information on those arrangements or proposals within set time limits as contained in Part 7 of the Finance Act 2004 and in secondary legislation made under vires contained in Part 7 of the Finance Act 2004 and as extended to National Insurance Contributions;
<b>"DPA 2018"</b>	the Data Protection Act 2018;
<b>"Due Diligence Information"</b>	any information supplied to the Supplier by or on behalf of the Authority prior to the Start Date;
<b>"Effective Date"</b>	the date on which the final Party has signed the Contract;
<b>"EIR"</b>	the Environmental Information Regulations 2004;
<b>"Electronic Invoice"</b>	an invoice which has been issued, transmitted and received in a structured electronic format which allows for its automatic and electronic processing and which complies with (a) the European standard and (b) any of the syntaxes published in Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2017/1870;
<b>"Employment Regulations"</b>	the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 (SI 2006/246) as amended or replaced or any other Regulations implementing the European Council Directive 77/187/EEC;
<b>"End Date"</b>	<p>the earlier of:</p> <p>the Expiry Date (as extended by any Extension Period exercised by the Relevant Authority under Clause 10.1.2); or</p> <p>if a Contract is terminated before the date specified in (a) above, the date of termination of the Contract;</p>
<b>"Environmental Policy"</b>	to conserve energy, water, wood, paper and other resources, reduce waste and phase out the use of ozone depleting substances and minimise the release of greenhouse gases, volatile organic compounds and other substances damaging to health and the environment, including any written environmental policy of the Buyer;
<b>"Equality and Human Rights Commission"</b>	the UK Government body named as such as may be renamed or replaced by an equivalent body from time to time;

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<b>"Estimated Year 1 Charges"</b>	the anticipated total Charges payable by the Buyer in the first Contract Year specified in the Order Form;
<b>"Estimated Yearly Charges"</b>	<p>means for the purposes of calculating each Party's annual liability under clause 11.2:</p> <p>i) in the first Contract Year, the Estimated Year 1 Charges; or</p> <p>ii) in the any subsequent Contract Years, the Charges paid or payable in the previous Call-off Contract Year; or</p> <p>iii) after the end of the Call-off Contract, the Charges paid or payable in the last Contract Year during the Call-off Contract Period;</p>
<b>"Exempt Buyer"</b>	<p>a public sector purchaser that is:</p> <p>a) eligible to use the Framework Contract; and</p> <p>b) is entering into an Exempt Call-off Contract that is not subject to (as applicable) any of:</p> <p>i) the Regulations;</p> <p>ii) the Concession Contracts Regulations 2016 (SI 2016/273);</p> <p>iii) the Utilities Contracts Regulations 2016 (SI 2016/274);</p> <p>iv) the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 (SI 2011/1848);</p> <p>v) the Remedies Directive (2007/66/EC);</p> <p>vi) Directive 2014/23/EU of the European Parliament and Council;</p> <p>vii) Directive 2014/24/EU of the European Parliament and Council;</p> <p>viii) Directive 2014/25/EU of the European Parliament and Council; or</p> <p>ix) Directive 2009/81/EC of the European Parliament and Council;</p>
<b>"Exempt Call-off Contract"</b>	the contract between the Exempt Buyer and the Supplier for Deliverables which consists of the terms set out and referred to in the Order Form incorporating and, where necessary, amending, refining or adding to the terms of the Framework Contract;
<b>"Exempt Procurement Amendments"</b>	any amendments, refinements or additions to any of the terms of the Framework Contract made through the Exempt Call-off Contract to reflect the specific needs of an Exempt Buyer to the extent permitted by and in accordance with any legal requirements applicable to that Exempt Buyer;

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<b>"Existing IPR"</b>	any and all IPR that are owned by or licensed to either Party and which are or have been developed independently of the Contract (whether prior to the Start Date or otherwise);
<b>"Exit Day"</b>	shall have the meaning in the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018;
<b>"Expiry Date"</b>	the Framework Expiry Date or the Call-Off Expiry Date (as the context dictates);
<b>"Expression of Interest"</b>	an invitation to capable Suppliers to express an interest in bidding for the work as part of a Further Competition Procedure or to decline the opportunity prior to the Further Competition Procedure commencing. Suppliers who decline an Expression of Interest invitation will not be invited to take part in the corresponding Further Competition Procedure unless the scope or timings of this have substantially changed from the point the Expression of Interest was issued;
<b>"Extension Period"</b>	the Framework Optional Extension Period or the Call-Off Optional Extension Period as the context dictates;
<b>"Fixed Price"</b>	a Pricing Mechanism where Charges are agreed at a set amount in relation to a Contract, Deliverable(s) (or one or more element of the Deliverable(s)) or Milestones and the amount to be paid by the Buyer will not exceed the agreed fixed price;
<b>"FOIA"</b>	the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and any subordinate legislation made under that Act from time to time together with any guidance and/or codes of practice issued by the Information Commissioner or relevant Government department in relation to such legislation;
<b>"Force Majeure Event"</b>	<p>any event outside the reasonable control of either Party affecting its performance of its obligations under the Contract arising from acts, events, omissions, happenings or non-happenings beyond its reasonable control and which are not attributable to any wilful act, neglect or failure to take reasonable preventative action by that Party, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) riots, civil commotion, war or armed conflict;</li> <li>b) acts of terrorism;</li> <li>c) acts of government, local government or regulatory bodies;</li> <li>d) fire, flood, storm or earthquake or other natural disaster,</li> </ul> <p>but excluding any industrial dispute relating to the Supplier, the Supplier Staff or any other failure in the Supplier or the Subcontractor's supply chain;</p>
<b>"Force Majeure Notice"</b>	a written notice served by the Affected Party on the other Party stating that the Affected Party believes that there is a Force Majeure Event;
<b>"Framework Award Form"</b>	the document outlining the Framework Incorporated Terms and crucial information required for the Framework Contract, to be executed by the Supplier and CCS;

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<b>"Framework Contract"</b>	the agreement established between CCS and the Supplier under the Framework Award Form for the provision of the Deliverables to Buyers by the Supplier pursuant to the notice published on the Find a Tender Service;
<b>"Framework Contract Period"</b>	the period from the Framework Start Date until the End Date of the Framework Contract;
<b>"Framework Expiry Date"</b>	the scheduled date of the end of the Framework Contract as stated in the Framework Award Form;
<b>"Framework Incorporated Terms"</b>	the contractual terms applicable to the Framework Contract specified in the Framework Award Form;
<b>"Framework Optional Extension Period"</b>	such period or periods beyond which the Framework Contract Period may be extended as specified in the Framework Award Form;
<b>"Framework Price(s)"</b>	the price(s) applicable to the provision of the Deliverables set out in Framework Schedule 3 (Framework Prices);
<b>"Framework Special Terms"</b>	any additional terms and conditions specified in the Framework Award Form incorporated into the Framework Contract;
<b>"Framework Start Date"</b>	the date of start of the Framework Contract as stated in the Framework Award Form;
<b>"Framework Tender Response"</b>	the tender submitted by the Supplier to CCS and annexed to or referred to in Framework Schedule 2 (Framework Tender);
<b>"Further Competition Procedure"</b>	the further competition procedure described in Framework Schedule 7 (Call-Off Award Procedure);
<b>"UK GDPR"</b>	the retained EU law version of the General Data Protection Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2016/679);
<b>"General Anti-Abuse Rule"</b>	<p>a) the legislation in Part 5 of the Finance Act 2013; and</p> <p>b) any future legislation introduced into parliament to counteract Tax advantages arising from abusive arrangements to avoid National Insurance contributions;</p>
<b>"General Change in Law"</b>	a Change in Law where the change is of a general legislative nature (including Tax or duties of any sort affecting the Supplier) or which affects or relates to a Comparable Supply;
<b>"Goods"</b>	goods made available by the Supplier as specified in Framework Schedule 1 (Specification) and in relation to a Call-Off Contract as specified in the Order Form;
<b>"Good Industry Practice"</b>	standards, practices, methods and procedures conforming to the Law and the exercise of the degree of skill and care, diligence, prudence and foresight which would reasonably and ordinarily be expected from a skilled and experienced person or body engaged within the relevant industry or business sector;
<b>"Government"</b>	the government of the United Kingdom (including the Northern Ireland Assembly and Executive Committee, the Scottish Government and the National Assembly



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	for Wales), including government ministers and government departments and other bodies, persons, commissions or agencies from time to time carrying out functions on its behalf;
<b>"Government Data"</b>	<p>the data, text, drawings, diagrams, images or sounds (together with any database made up of any of these) which are embodied in any electronic, magnetic, optical or tangible media, including any of the Authority's Confidential Information, and which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) are supplied to the Supplier by or on behalf of the Authority; or</li> <li>ii) the Supplier is required to generate, process, store or transmit pursuant to a Contract;</li> </ul>
<b>"Government Legal Department " or "GLD"</b>	Is a non-ministerial Government department which the Treasury Solicitor is in charge of;
<b>"Group of Economic Operators"</b>	a group of economic operators acting jointly and severally to provide the Deliverables, which shall include a consortium;
<b>"Guarantor"</b>	the person (if any) who has entered into a guarantee in the form set out in Joint Schedule 8 (Guarantee) in relation to this Contract;
<b>"Halifax Abuse Principle"</b>	the principle explained in the CJEU Case C-255/02 Halifax and others;
<b>"HMRC"</b>	Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs;
<b>"Hourly Rate"</b>	the Pricing Mechanism where the Supplier will invoice the Buyer for Supplier Staff providing Deliverables (or one or more of the elements of the Deliverables) based on each Work Hour performed by the Supplier Staff's based on the applicable grade(s) of hourly rate as set out in Annex 1 Table 1 of Framework Schedule 3 (Framework Prices);
<b>"ICT Policy"</b>	the Buyer's policy in respect of information and communications technology, referred to in the Order Form, which is in force as at the Call-Off Start Date (a copy of which has been supplied to the Supplier), as updated from time to time in accordance with the Variation Procedure;
<b>"Impact Assessment"</b>	<p>an assessment of the impact of a Variation request by the Relevant Authority completed in good faith, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) details of the impact of the proposed Variation on the Deliverables and the Supplier's ability to meet its other obligations under the Contract;</li> <li>b) details of the cost of implementing the proposed Variation;</li> <li>c) details of the ongoing costs required by the proposed Variation when implemented, including any increase or decrease in the Framework Prices/Charges (as applicable), any alteration in the resources and/or expenditure required by either Party and any alteration to the working practices of either Party;</li> </ul>

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	<p>d) a timetable for the implementation, together with any proposals for the testing of the Variation; and</p> <p>e) such other information as the Relevant Authority may reasonably request in (or in response to) the Variation request;</p>
<b>"Implementation Plan"</b>	the plan for provision of the Deliverables set out in Call-Off Schedule 13 (Implementation Plan and Testing) where that Schedule is used or otherwise as agreed between the Supplier and the Buyer;
<b>"Indemnifier"</b>	a Party from whom an indemnity is sought under this Contract;
<b>"Independent Control"</b>	where a Controller has provided Personal Data to another Party which is not a Processor or a Joint Controller because the recipient itself determines the purposes and means of Processing but does so separately from the Controller providing it with Personal Data and <b>"Independent Controller"</b> shall be construed accordingly;
<b>"Indexation"</b>	the adjustment of an amount or sum in accordance with Framework Schedule 3 (Framework Prices) and the relevant Order Form;
<b>"Information"</b>	has the meaning given under section 84 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000;
<b>"Information Commissioner"</b>	the UK's independent authority which deals with ensuring information relating to rights in the public interest and data privacy for individuals is met, whilst promoting openness by public bodies;
<b>"Initial Period"</b>	the initial term of a Contract specified in the Framework Award Form or the Order Form, as the context requires;
<b>"Insolvency Event"</b>	<p>with respect to any person, means:</p> <p>(a) that person suspends, or threatens to suspend, payment of its debts, or is unable to pay its debts as they fall due or admits inability to pay its debts, or:</p> <p>(i) (being a company or a LLP) is deemed unable to pay its debts within the meaning of section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986, or</p> <p>(ii) (being a partnership) is deemed unable to pay its debts within the meaning of section 222 of the Insolvency Act 1986;</p> <p>(b) that person commences negotiations with one or more of its creditors (using a voluntary arrangement, scheme of arrangement or otherwise) with a view to rescheduling any of its debts, or makes a proposal for or enters into any compromise or arrangement with one or more of its creditors or takes any step to obtain a moratorium pursuant to Section 1A and Schedule A1 of the Insolvency Act 1986 other than (in the case of a company, a LLP or a partnership) for the sole purpose of a scheme for a solvent amalgamation of that person with one or more other companies or the solvent reconstruction of that person;</p> <p>(c) another person becomes entitled to appoint a receiver over the assets of that person or a receiver is appointed over the assets of that person;</p>

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	<p>(d) a creditor or encumbrancer of that person attaches or takes possession of, or a distress, execution or other such process is levied or enforced on or sued against, the whole or any part of that person's assets and such attachment or process is not discharged within 14 days;</p> <p>(e) that person suspends or ceases, or threatens to suspend or cease, carrying on all or a substantial part of its business;</p> <p>(f) where that person is a company, a LLP or a partnership:</p> <p>(i) a petition is presented (which is not dismissed within 14 days of its service), a notice is given, a resolution is passed, or an order is made, for or in connection with the winding up of that person other than for the sole purpose of a scheme for a solvent amalgamation of that person with one or more other companies or the solvent reconstruction of that person;</p> <p>(ii) an application is made to court, or an order is made, for the appointment of an administrator, or if a notice of intention to appoint an administrator is filed at Court or given or if an administrator is appointed, over that person;</p> <p>(iii) (being a company or a LLP) the holder of a qualifying floating charge over the assets of that person has become entitled to appoint or has appointed an administrative receiver; or</p> <p>(iv) (being a partnership) the holder of an agricultural floating charge over the assets of that person has become entitled to appoint or has appointed an agricultural receiver; or</p> <p>(g) any event occurs, or proceeding is taken, with respect to that person in any jurisdiction to which it is subject that has an effect equivalent or similar to any of the events mentioned above;</p>
<b>"Installation Works"</b>	all works which the Supplier is to carry out at the beginning of the Call-Off Contract Period to install the Goods in accordance with the Call-Off Contract;
<b>"Intellectual Property Rights" or "IPR"</b>	<p>a) copyright, rights related to or affording protection similar to copyright, rights in databases, patents and rights in inventions, semi-conductor topography rights, trade marks, rights in internet domain names and website addresses and other rights in trade or business names, goodwill, designs, Know-How, trade secrets and other rights in Confidential Information;</p> <p>b) applications for registration, and the right to apply for registration, for any of the rights listed at (a) that are capable of being registered in any country or jurisdiction; and</p> <p>c) all other rights having equivalent or similar effect in any country or jurisdiction;</p>
<b>"Invoicing Address"</b>	the address to which the Supplier shall invoice the Buyer as specified in the Order Form;
<b>"Inward Exchange"</b>	an exchange of Buyer Personnel from the Buyer to the Supplier in accordance with the Secondment Agreement;

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"IPR Claim"	any action, suit, claim, demand, Loss or other liability which the Relevant Authority or Central Government Body may suffer or incur as a result of any claim that the performance of the Deliverables infringes or allegedly infringes (including the defence of such infringement or alleged infringement) of any third party IPR, used to provide the Deliverables or otherwise provided and/or licensed by the Supplier (or to which the Supplier has provided access) to the Relevant Authority in the fulfilment of its obligations under a Contract;
"IR35"	the off-payroll rules requiring individuals who work through their company pay the same income tax and National Insurance contributions as an employee which can be found online at: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/ir35-find-out-if-it-applies">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/ir35-find-out-if-it-applies</a> ;
"Joint Controller Agreement"	the agreement (if any) entered into between the Relevant Authority and the Supplier substantially in the form set out in Annex 2 of Joint Schedule 11 ( <i>Processing Data</i> );
"Joint Controllers"	where two or more Controllers jointly determine the purposes and means of Processing;
"Jurisdiction"	the power, right or authority to interpret and apply the law where a matter falls within the court's jurisdiction or the authority of a sovereign power to govern and legislate or the limits or territory within which authority may be exercised;
"Key Staff"	the individuals (if any) identified as such in the Order Form;
"Key Sub-Contract"	each Sub-Contract with a Key Subcontractor;
"Key Subcontractor"	<p>any Subcontractor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) which is relied upon to deliver any work package within the Deliverables in their entirety; and/or</li> <li>b) which, in the opinion of CCS or the Buyer performs (or would perform if appointed) a critical role in the provision of all or any part of the Deliverables; and/or</li> <li>c) with a Sub-Contract with a contract value which at the time of appointment exceeds (or would exceed if appointed) 10% of the aggregate Charges forecast to be payable under the Call-Off Contract, <p>and the Supplier shall list all such Key Subcontractors in section 19 of the Framework Award Form and in the Key Subcontractor Section in Order Form;</p> </li></ul>
"Know-How"	all ideas, concepts, schemes, information, knowledge, techniques, methodology, and anything else in the nature of know-how relating to the Deliverables but excluding know-how already in the other Party's possession before the applicable Start Date;
"Law"	any law, subordinate legislation within the meaning of Section 21(1) of the Interpretation Act 1978, bye-law, enforceable right within the meaning of Section 2 of the European Communities Act 1972, regulation, order, regulatory policy, mandatory guidance or code of practice, judgment of a relevant court of

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	law, or directives or requirements with which the relevant Party is bound to comply;
<b>"Losses"</b>	all losses, liabilities, damages, costs, expenses (including legal and professional fees), disbursements, costs of investigation, litigation, settlement, judgment, interest, fines and penalties (including regulatory penalties, fines and expenses) whether arising in contract, tort (including negligence), breach of statutory duty, misrepresentation or otherwise and <b>"Loss"</b> shall be interpreted accordingly;
<b>"Lots"</b>	the number of lots specified in Framework Schedule 1 (Specification), if applicable;
<b>"Management Charge"</b>	the sum specified in the Framework Award Form payable by the Supplier to CCS in accordance with Framework Schedule 5 (Management Charges and Information);
<b>"Management Information" or "MI"</b>	the management information specified in Framework Schedule 5 (Management Charges and Information);
<b>"MI Default"</b>	means when two (2) MI Reports are not provided in any rolling six (6) month period
<b>"MI Failure"</b>	means when an MI report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) contains any material errors or material omissions or a missing mandatory field; or</li> <li>b) is submitted using an incorrect MI reporting Template; or</li> <li>c) is not submitted by the reporting date (including where a declaration of no business should have been filed);</li> </ul>
<b>"MI Report"</b>	means a report containing Management Information submitted to the Authority in accordance with Framework Schedule 5 (Management Charges and Information);
<b>"MI Reporting Template"</b>	means the form of report set out in the Annex to Framework Schedule 5 (Management Charges and Information) setting out the information the Supplier is required to supply to the Authority;
<b>"Milestone"</b>	an event or task described in the Implementation Plan;
<b>"Milestone Date"</b>	the target date set out against the relevant Milestone in the Implementation Plan by which the Milestone must be Achieved;
<b>"Month"</b>	a calendar month and <b>"Monthly"</b> shall be interpreted accordingly;
<b>"National Insurance"</b>	contributions required by the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 and made in accordance with the Social Security (Contributions) Regulations 2001 (SI 2001/1004);
<b>"New IPR"</b>	a) IPR in items created by the Supplier (or by a third party on behalf of the Supplier) specifically for the purposes of a Contract and updates and amendments of these items including (but not limited to) database schema; and/or

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	<p>b) IPR in or arising as a result of the performance of the Supplier's obligations under a Contract and all updates and amendments to the same;</p> <p>but shall not include the Supplier's Existing IPR;</p>
<b>"Occasion of Tax Non-Compliance"</b>	<p>where:</p> <p>a) any Tax return of the Supplier submitted to a Relevant Tax Authority on or after 1 October 2012 is found on or after 1 April 2013 to be incorrect as a result of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) a Relevant Tax Authority successfully challenging the Supplier under the General Anti-Abuse Rule or the Halifax Abuse Principle or under any Tax rules or legislation in any jurisdiction that have an effect equivalent or similar to the General Anti-Abuse Rule or the Halifax Abuse Principle;</li> <li>ii) the failure of an avoidance scheme which the Supplier was involved in, and which was, or should have been, notified to a Relevant Tax Authority under the DOTAS or any equivalent or similar regime in any jurisdiction; and/or</li> </ul> <p>b) any Tax return of the Supplier submitted to a Relevant Tax Authority on or after 1 October 2012 which gives rise, on or after 1 April 2013, to a criminal conviction in any jurisdiction for Tax related offences which is not spent at the Start Date or to a civil penalty for fraud or evasion;</p>
<b>"Open Book Data "</b>	<p>complete and accurate financial and non-financial information which is sufficient to enable the Buyer to verify the Charges already paid or payable and Charges forecast to be paid during the remainder of the Call-Off Contract, including details and all assumptions relating to:</p> <p>a) the Supplier's Costs broken down against each Good and/or Service and/or Deliverable, including actual capital expenditure (including capital replacement costs) and the unit cost and total actual costs of all Deliverables;</p> <p>b) operating expenditure relating to the provision of the Deliverables including an analysis showing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) the unit costs and quantity of Goods and any other consumables and bought-in Deliverables;</li> <li>ii) staff costs broken down into the number and grade/role of all Supplier Staff (free of any contingency) together with a list of agreed rates against each grade;</li> <li>iii) a list of Costs underpinning those rates for each grade, being the agreed rate less the Supplier Profit Margin; and</li> <li>iv) Reimbursable Expenses, if allowed under the Order Form;</li> </ul> <p>c) Overheads;</p>

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	<p>d) all interest, expenses and any other third party financing costs incurred in relation to the provision of the Deliverables;</p> <p>e) the Supplier Profit achieved over the Framework Contract Period and on an annual basis;</p> <p>f) confirmation that all methods of Cost apportionment and Overhead allocation are consistent with and not more onerous than such methods applied generally by the Supplier;</p> <p>g) an explanation of the type and value of risk and contingencies associated with the provision of the Deliverables, including the amount of money attributed to each risk and/or contingency; and</p> <p>h) the actual Costs profile for each Service Period;</p>
"Order"	means an order for the provision of the Deliverables placed by a Buyer with the Supplier under a Contract and " <b>Ordered</b> " shall be construed accordingly;
"Order Form"	a completed Order Form Template (or equivalent information issued by the Buyer) used to create a Call-Off Contract;
"Order Form Template"	the template in Framework Schedule 6 (Order Form Template and Call-Off Schedules);
"Other Contracting Authority"	any actual or potential Buyer under the Framework Contract;
"Outward Exchange"	an exchange of Supplier Staff from the Supplier to the Buyer in accordance with the Secondment Agreement;
"Overhead"	those amounts which are intended to recover a proportion of the Supplier's or the Key Subcontractor's (as the context requires) indirect corporate costs (including financing, marketing, advertising, research and development and insurance costs and any fines or penalties) but excluding allowable indirect costs apportioned to facilities and administration in the provision of Supplier Staff and accordingly included within limb (a) of the definition of "Costs";
"Parliament"	takes its natural meaning as interpreted by Law;
"Party"	in the context of the Framework Contract, CCS or the Supplier, and in the context of a Call-Off Contract the Buyer or the Supplier. " <b>Parties</b> " shall mean both of them where the context permits;
"Performance Indicators" or "PIs"	the performance measurements and targets in respect of the Supplier's performance of the Framework Contract set out in Framework Schedule 4 (Framework Management);
"Personal Data"	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR;
"Personal Data Breach"	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR;
"Personnel"	all directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and suppliers of CCS or the Buyer and/or their subcontractor and/or a Subprocessor (as detailed in Joint

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	Schedule 11 (Processing Data)) engaged in the performance of its obligations under a Contract;
<b>"Place of Performance"</b>	the place or location at which the Deliverables, in whole or part, shall be performed;
<b>"Prescribed Person"</b>	a legal adviser, an MP or an appropriate body which a whistle-blower may make a disclosure to as detailed in 'Whistleblowing: list of prescribed people and bodies', 24 November 2016, available online at: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/blowing-the-whistle-list-of-prescribed-people-and-bodies--2/whistleblowing-list-of-prescribed-people-and-bodies">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/blowing-the-whistle-list-of-prescribed-people-and-bodies--2/whistleblowing-list-of-prescribed-people-and-bodies</a> ;
<b>"Pricing Mechanism"</b>	the pricing mechanisms are (a) Hourly Rates, (b) Capped Prices, (c) Fixed Prices, and (d) a combination of one or more of these, as set out in this Schedule and as may be refined in the Further Competition Procedure;
<b>"Processing"</b>	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR;
<b>"Processor"</b>	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR;
<b>"Progress Meeting"</b>	a meeting between the Buyer Authorised Representative and the Supplier Authorised Representative;
<b>"Progress Meeting Frequency"</b>	the frequency at which the Supplier shall conduct a Progress Meeting in accordance with Clause 6.1 as specified in the Order Form;
<b>"Progress Report"</b>	a report provided by the Supplier indicating the steps taken to achieve Milestones or delivery dates;
<b>"Progress Report Frequency"</b>	the frequency at which the Supplier shall deliver Progress Reports in accordance with Clause 6.1 as specified in the Order Form;
<b>"Prohibited Acts"</b>	<p>a) to directly or indirectly offer, promise or give any person working for or engaged by a Buyer or any other public body a financial or other advantage to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) induce that person to perform improperly a relevant function or activity; or</li> <li>ii) reward that person for improper performance of a relevant function or activity;</li> </ul> <p>b) to directly or indirectly request, agree to receive or accept any financial or other advantage as an inducement or a reward for improper performance of a relevant function or activity in connection with each Contract; or</p> <p>c) committing any offence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) under the Bribery Act 2010 (or any legislation repealed or revoked by such Act); or</li> <li>ii) under legislation or common law concerning fraudulent acts; or</li> </ul>



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	<p>iii) defrauding, attempting to defraud or conspiring to defraud a Buyer or other public body; or</p> <p>d) any activity, practice or conduct which would constitute one of the offences listed under (c) above if such activity, practice or conduct had been carried out in the UK;</p>
<b>"Protective Measures"</b>	appropriate technical and organisational measures which may include: pseudonymising and encrypting Personal Data, ensuring confidentiality, integrity, availability and resilience of systems and services, ensuring that availability of and access to Personal Data can be restored in a timely manner after an incident, and regularly assessing and evaluating the effectiveness of the such measures adopted by it including those outlined in Framework Schedule 9 (Cyber Essentials Scheme), if applicable, in the case of the Framework Contract or Call-Off Schedule 9 (Security), if applicable, in the case of a Call-Off Contract.
<b>"Recall"</b>	a request by the Supplier to return Goods to the Supplier or the manufacturer after the discovery of safety issues or defects (including defects in the right IPR rights) that might endanger health or hinder performance;
<b>"Recipient Party"</b>	the Party which receives or obtains directly or indirectly Confidential Information;
<b>"Rectification Plan"</b>	<p>the Supplier's plan (or revised plan) to rectify it's breach using the template in Joint Schedule 10 (Rectification Plan) which shall include:</p> <p>a) full details of the Default that has occurred, including a root cause analysis;</p> <p>b) the actual or anticipated effect of the Default; and</p> <p>c) the steps which the Supplier proposes to take to rectify the Default (if applicable) and to prevent such Default from recurring, including timescales for such steps and for the rectification of the Default (where applicable);</p>
<b>"Rectification Plan Process"</b>	the process set out in Clause 10.3.1 to 10.3.4 (Rectification Plan Process);
<b>"Regulations"</b>	the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and/or the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 (as the context requires);
<b>"Regulatory Compliance"</b>	<p>the Deliverables shall at all times be supplied in accordance with, amongst other things:</p> <p>a) the legal and professional practice rules, codes, principles and proper interpretation of the law and court decisions in existence in the applicable jurisdiction at the date on which the Deliverable (or element of the Deliverables) is supplied to the Buyer; and</p> <p>b) the standards of professionalism expected by the professional body that registers and authorises individuals (for example, solicitors, registered European lawyers and registered foreign lawyers) and firms of solicitors (or equivalents) to practice and provide legal services in the applicable jurisdiction;</p>
<b>"Reimbursable Expenses"</b>	the reasonable out of pocket travel and subsistence (for example, hotel and food) expenses, properly and necessarily incurred in the performance of the

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	<p>Services, calculated at the rates and in accordance with the Buyer's expenses policy current from time to time, but not including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) travel expenses incurred as a result of Supplier Staff travelling to and from their usual place of work, or to and from the premises at which the Services are principally to be performed, unless the Buyer otherwise agrees in advance in writing; and</li> <li>b) subsistence expenses incurred by Supplier Staff whilst performing the Services at their usual place of work, or to and from the premises at which the Services are principally to be performed;</li> </ul>
<b>"Relevant Authority"</b>	the Authority which is party to the Contract to which a right or obligation is owed, as the context requires;
<b>"Relevant Authority's Confidential Information"</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) all Personal Data and any information, however it is conveyed, that relates to the business, affairs, developments, property rights, trade secrets, Know-How and IPR of the Relevant Authority (including all Relevant Authority Existing IPR and New IPR);</li> <li>b) any other information clearly designated as being confidential (whether or not it is marked "confidential") or which ought reasonably be considered confidential which comes (or has come) to the Relevant Authority's attention or into the Relevant Authority's possession in connection with a Contract; and</li> </ul> <p>information derived from any of the above;</p>
<b>"Relevant Requirements"</b>	all applicable Law relating to bribery, corruption and fraud, including the Bribery Act 2010 and any guidance issued by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 9 of the Bribery Act 2010;
<b>"Relevant Tax Authority"</b>	HMRC, or, if applicable, the tax authority in the jurisdiction in which the Supplier is established;
<b>"Reminder Notice"</b>	a notice sent in accordance with Clause 10.5 given by the Supplier to the Buyer providing notification that payment has not been received on time;
<b>"Replacement Deliverables"</b>	any deliverables which are substantially similar to any of the Deliverables and which the Buyer receives in substitution for any of the Deliverables following the Call-Off Contract End Date, whether those goods are provided by the Buyer internally and/or by any third party;
<b>"Replacement Subcontractor"</b>	a Subcontractor of the Replacement Supplier to whom Transferring Supplier Employees will transfer on a Service Transfer Date (or any Subcontractor of any such Subcontractor);
<b>"Replacement Supplier"</b>	any third party provider of Replacement Deliverables appointed by or at the direction of the Buyer from time to time or where the Buyer is providing Replacement Deliverables for its own account, shall also include the Buyer;
<b>"Request For Information"</b>	a request for information or an apparent request relating to a Contract for the provision of the Deliverables or an apparent request for such information under the FOIA or the EIRs;

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<b>"Required Insurances"</b>	the insurances required by Joint Schedule 3 (Insurance Requirements) or any additional insurances specified in the Order Form;
<b>"Retained EU Law"</b>	the category of UK Law created under Sections 2 to 4 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 at the end of the transition period following the repeal of the savings to the European Communities Act 1972;
<b>"SRA"</b>	the Solicitors Regulatory Authority which regulates solicitors, law firms, non-lawyers who can be managers or employees of firms and other types of lawyer (e.g. registered foreign lawyers (RFLS) and registered European lawyers (RELS), in England and Wales (or equivalent organisation in other Jurisdictions);
<b>"Satisfaction Certificate"</b>	the certificate (materially in the form of the document contained in of Part B of Call-Off Schedule 13 (Implementation Plan and Testing) or as agreed by the Parties where Call-Off Schedule 13 is not used in this Contract) granted by the Buyer when the Supplier has met all of the requirements of an Order, Achieved a Milestone or a Test;
<b>"Secondment"</b>	the temporary transfer of one or more Supplier Staff from the Supplier to the Buyer to another position or employment, in accordance with the Secondment Agreement for the Secondment Charge; and <b>"Secondee"</b> is a person on a Secondment;
<b>"Secondment Agreement"</b>	the agreement entered into between the Supplier and Buyer regarding an Inward Exchange or an Outward Exchange or a Secondment which shall be in the form and format of Call-Off Schedule 25 (Secondment Agreement Template);
<b>"Secondment Charge"</b>	(a) the Charge for Supplier Staff on an Secondment which shall be no more than the base salary and any relevant pension contributions ordinarily payable by the Supplier in respect of a Secondee (exclusive of VAT);
<b>"Securities"</b>	are financial instruments, including equities and debt;
<b>"Security Management Plan"</b>	the Supplier's security management plan prepared pursuant to Call-Off Schedule 9 (Security) (if applicable);
<b>"Security Policy"</b>	the Buyer's security policy, referred to in the Order Form, in force as at the Call-Off Start Date (a copy of which has been supplied to the Supplier), as updated from time to time and notified to the Supplier;
<b>"Self Audit Certificate"</b>	means the certificate in the form as set out in Framework Schedule 8 (Self Audit Certificate);
<b>"Serious Fraud Office"</b>	the UK Government body named as such as may be renamed or replaced by an equivalent body from time to time;
<b>"Service Levels"</b>	any service levels applicable to the provision of the Deliverables under the Call Off Contract (which, where Call Off Schedule 14 (Service Levels) is used in this Contract, are specified in the Annex to Part A of such Schedule);
<b>"Service Period"</b>	has the meaning given to it in the Order Form;

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<b>"Services"</b>	services made available by the Supplier as specified in Framework Schedule 1 (Specification) and in relation to a Call-Off Contract as specified in the Order Form;
<b>"Service Transfer"</b>	any transfer of the Deliverables (or any part of the Deliverables), for whatever reason, from the Supplier or any Subcontractor to a Replacement Supplier or a Replacement Subcontractor;
<b>"Service Transfer Date"</b>	the date of a Service Transfer;
<b>"Sites"</b>	any premises (including the Buyer Premises, the Supplier's premises or third party premises) from, to or at which: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) the Deliverables are (or are to be) provided; or</li> <li>b) the Supplier manages, organises or otherwise directs the provision or the use of the Deliverables;</li> </ul>
<b>"SME"</b>	an enterprise falling within the category of micro, small and medium sized enterprises defined by the Commission Recommendation of 6 May 2003 concerning the definition of micro, small and medium enterprises;
<b>"Special Terms"</b>	any additional Clauses set out in the Framework Award Form or Order Form which shall form part of the respective Contract;
<b>"Specific Change in Law"</b>	a Change in Law that relates specifically to the business of the Buyer and which would not affect a Comparable Supply where the effect of that Specific Change in Law on the Deliverables is not reasonably foreseeable at the Start Date;
<b>"Specification"</b>	the specification set out in Framework Schedule 1 (Specification), as may, in relation to a Call-Off Contract, be supplemented by the Order Form;
<b>"Standards"</b>	any: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) standards published by BSI British Standards, the National Standards Body of the United Kingdom, the International Organisation for Standardisation or other reputable or equivalent bodies (and their successor bodies) that a skilled and experienced operator in the same type of industry or business sector as the Supplier would reasonably and ordinarily be expected to comply with;</li> <li>b) standards detailed in the specification in Schedule 1 (Specification);</li> <li>c) standards detailed by the Buyer in the Order Form or agreed between the Parties from time to time;</li> <li>d) relevant Government codes of practice and guidance applicable from time to time;</li> </ul>
<b>"Start Date"</b>	in the case of the Framework Contract, the date specified on the Framework Award Form, and in the case of a Call-Off Contract, the date specified in the Order Form;

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<b>"Statement of Requirements"</b>	a statement issued by the Buyer detailing its requirements in respect of Deliverables issued in accordance with the Call-Off Procedure;
<b>"Storage Media"</b>	the part of any device that is capable of storing and retrieving data;
<b>"Sub-Contract"</b>	any contract or agreement (or proposed contract or agreement), other than a Call-Off Contract or the Framework Contract, pursuant to which a third party: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) provides the Deliverables (or any part of them);</li> <li>b) provides facilities or services necessary for the provision of the Deliverables (or any part of them); and/or</li> <li>c) is responsible for the management, direction or control of the provision of the Deliverables (or any part of them);</li> </ul>
<b>"Subcontractor"</b>	any person other than the Supplier, who is a party to a Sub-Contract and the servants or agents of that person;
<b>"Subprocessor"</b>	any third Party appointed to process Personal Data on behalf of that Processor related to a Contract;
<b>"Supplier"</b>	the person, firm or company identified in the Framework Award Form;
<b>"Supplier Assets"</b>	all assets and rights used by the Supplier to provide the Deliverables in accordance with the Call-Off Contract but excluding the Buyer Assets;
<b>"Supplier Authorised Representative"</b>	the representative appointed by the Supplier named in the Framework Award Form, or later defined in a Call-Off Contract;
<b>"Supplier's Confidential Information"</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) any information, however it is conveyed, that relates to the business, affairs, developments, IPR of the Supplier (including the Supplier Existing IPR) trade secrets, Know-How, and/or personnel of the Supplier;</li> <li>b) any other information clearly designated as being confidential (whether or not it is marked as "confidential") or which ought reasonably to be considered to be confidential and which comes (or has come) to the Supplier's attention or into the Supplier's possession in connection with a Contract;</li> <li>c) Information derived from any of (a) and (b) above;</li> </ul>
<b>"Supplier's Contract Manager"</b>	the person identified in the Order Form appointed by the Supplier to oversee the operation of the Call-Off Contract and any alternative person whom the Supplier intends to appoint to the role, provided that the Supplier informs the Buyer prior to the appointment;
<b>"Supplier Equipment"</b>	the Supplier's hardware, computer and telecoms devices, equipment, plant, materials and such other items supplied and used by the Supplier (but not hired, leased or loaned from the Buyer) in the performance of its obligations under this Call-Off Contract;
<b>"Supplier Marketing Contact"</b>	shall be the person identified in the Framework Award Form;

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<b>"Supplier Non-Performance"</b>	<p>where the Supplier has failed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Achieve a Milestone by its Milestone Date;</li> <li>b) provide the Goods and/or Services in accordance with the Service Levels ; and/or</li> <li>c) comply with an obligation under a Contract;</li> </ul>
<b>"Supplier Profit"</b>	in relation to a period, the difference between the total Charges (in nominal cash flow terms but excluding any Deductions and total Costs (in nominal cash flow terms) in respect of a Call-Off Contract for the relevant period;
<b>"Supplier Profit Margin"</b>	in relation to a period or a Milestone (as the context requires), the Supplier Profit for the relevant period or in relation to the relevant Milestone divided by the total Charges over the same period or in relation to the relevant Milestone and expressed as a percentage;
<b>"Supplier Relationship Manager"</b>	<p>the individual appointed by GLD whose role encompasses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) the management of the relationship between the Buyers and suppliers appointed to the framework (including the Supplier) in order to deliver maximum value: and</li> <li>b) working collaboratively with the Supplier and Other Contracting Authorities to establish and maintain objectives to ensure strategic alignment in the provision of the Deliverables.</li> </ul>
<b>"Supplier Staff"</b>	all directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and contractors of the Supplier and/or of any Subcontractor engaged in the performance of the Supplier's obligations under a Contract;
<b>"Supporting Documentation"</b>	sufficient information in writing to enable the Buyer to reasonably assess whether the Charges, Reimbursable Expenses and other sums due from the Buyer under the Call-Off Contract detailed in the information are properly payable;
<b>"Tax"</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) all forms of taxation whether direct or indirect;</li> <li>b) national insurance contributions in the United Kingdom and similar contributions or obligations in any other jurisdiction;</li> <li>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</li> <li>d) any penalty, fine, surcharge, interest, charges or costs relating to any of the above,</li> </ul> <p>in each case wherever chargeable and whether of the United Kingdom and any other jurisdiction;</p>

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<b>"Termination Notice"</b>	a written notice of termination given by one Party to the other, notifying the Party receiving the notice of the intention of the Party giving the notice to terminate a Contract on a specified date and setting out the grounds for termination;
<b>"Test Issue"</b>	any variance or non-conformity of the Deliverables from their requirements as set out in a Call-Off Contract;
<b>"Test Plan"</b>	a plan:  a) for the Testing of the Deliverables; and  b) setting out other agreed criteria related to the achievement of Milestones;
<b>"Tests "</b>	any tests required to be carried out pursuant to a Call-Off Contract as set out in the Test Plan or elsewhere in a Call-Off Contract and <b>"Tested"</b> and <b>"Testing"</b> shall be construed accordingly;
<b>"Third Party IPR"</b>	Intellectual Property Rights owned by a third party which is or will be used by the Supplier for the purpose of providing the Deliverables;
<b>"Transferring Supplier Employees"</b>	those employees of the Supplier and/or the Supplier's Subcontractors to whom the Employment Regulations will apply on the Service Transfer Date;
<b>"Transparency Information"</b>	the Transparency Reports and the content of a Contract, including any changes to this Contract agreed from time to time, except for –  (i) any information which is exempt from disclosure in accordance with the provisions of the FOIA, which shall be determined by the Relevant Authority; and  (ii) Commercially Sensitive Information;
<b>"Transparency Reports"</b>	the information relating to the Deliverables and performance of the Contracts which the Supplier is required to provide to the Buyer in accordance with the reporting requirements in Call-Off Schedule 1 (Transparency Reports);
<b>"Variation"</b>	any change to a Contract;
<b>"Variation Form"</b>	the form set out in Joint Schedule 2 (Variation Form);
<b>"Variation Procedure"</b>	the procedure set out in Clause 24 (Changing the contract);
<b>"VAT"</b>	value added tax in accordance with the provisions of the Value Added Tax Act 1994;
<b>"VCSE"</b>	a non-governmental organisation that is value-driven and which principally reinvests its surpluses to further social, environmental or cultural objectives;
<b>"Worker"</b>	any one of the Supplier Staff which the Buyer, in its reasonable opinion, considers is an individual to which Procurement Policy Note 08/15 (Tax Arrangements of Public Appointees) ( <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-policy-note-0815-tax-arrangements-of-appointees">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-policy-note-0815-tax-arrangements-of-appointees</a> ) applies in respect of the Deliverables;

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<b>"Working Day"</b>	any day other than a Saturday or Sunday or public holiday in England and Wales unless specified otherwise by the Parties in the Order Form;
<b>"Work Day"</b>	8 Work Hours, whether or not such hours are worked consecutively and whether or not they are worked on the same day; and
<b>"Work Hours"</b>	the hours spent by the Supplier Staff properly working on the provision of the Deliverables including time spent travelling (other than to and from the Supplier's offices, or to and from the Sites) but excluding lunch breaks.



## Joint Schedule 2 (Variation Form)

This form is to be used in order to change a contract in accordance with Clause 24 (Changing the Contract)

Contract Details	
This variation is between:	<b>[delete]</b> as applicable: CCS / Buyer] (" <b>CCS</b> " " <b>the Buyer</b> ") And <b>[insert]</b> name of Supplier] (" <b>the Supplier</b> ")
Contract name:	<b>[insert]</b> name of contract to be changed] (" <b>the Contract</b> ")
Contract reference number:	<b>[insert]</b> contract reference number]
Details of Proposed Variation	
Variation initiated by:	<b>[delete]</b> as applicable: CCS/Buyer/Supplier]
Variation number:	<b>[insert]</b> variation number]
Date variation is raised:	<b>[insert]</b> date]
Proposed variation	
Reason for the variation:	<b>[insert]</b> reason]
An Impact Assessment shall be provided within:	<b>[insert]</b> number] days
Impact of Variation	
Likely impact of the proposed variation:	<b>[Supplier to insert]</b> assessment of impact]
Outcome of Variation	
Contract variation:	This Contract detailed above is varied as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>[CCS/Buyer to insert]</b> original Clauses or Paragraphs to be varied and the changed clause]</li> </ul>
Financial variation:	Original Contract Value: £ <b>[insert]</b> amount]
	Additional cost due to variation: £ <b>[insert]</b> amount]
	New Contract value: £ <b>[insert]</b> amount]

1. This Variation must be agreed and signed by both Parties to the Contract and shall only be effective from the date it is signed by **[delete]** as applicable: CCS / Buyer]
2. Words and expressions in this Variation shall have the meanings given to them in the Contract.
3. The Contract, including any previous Variations, shall remain effective and unaltered except as amended by this Variation.
4. This Variation will be signed using the Buyer's e-tendering portal and the signatures will be added to this document upon execution.

## Joint Schedule 3 (Insurance Requirements)

### 1. The insurance you need to have

1.1 The Supplier shall take out and maintain, or procure the taking out and maintenance of the insurances as set out in the Annex to this Schedule, any additional insurances required under a Call-Off Contract (specified in the applicable Order Form) ("**Additional Insurances**") and any other insurances as may be required by applicable Law (together the "**Insurances**"). The Supplier shall ensure that each of the Insurances is effective no later than:

- 1.1.1 the Framework Start Date in respect of those Insurances set out in the Annex to this Schedule and those required by applicable Law; and
- 1.1.2 the Call-Off Contract Effective Date in respect of the Additional Insurances.

1.2 The Insurances shall be:

- 1.2.1 maintained in accordance with Good Industry Practice;
- 1.2.2 (so far as is reasonably practicable) on terms no less favourable than those generally available to a prudent contractor in respect of risks insured in the international insurance market from time to time;
- 1.2.3 taken out and maintained with insurers of good financial standing and good repute in the international insurance market; and
- 1.2.4 maintained for at least six (6) years after the End Date.

1.3 The Supplier shall ensure that the public and products liability policy contain an indemnity to principals clause under which the Relevant Authority shall be indemnified in respect of claims made against the Relevant Authority in respect of death or bodily injury or third party property damage arising out of or in connection with the Deliverables and for which the Supplier is legally liable.

1.4 The terms of any insurance or the amount of cover shall not relieve the Supplier of any liabilities arising under the Contract.

### 2. How to manage the insurance

2.1 Without limiting the other provisions of this Contract, the Supplier shall:

- 2.1.1 take or procure the taking of all reasonable risk management and risk control measures in relation to Deliverables as it would be reasonable to expect of a prudent contractor acting in accordance with Good Industry Practice, including the investigation and reports of relevant claims to insurers;

- 2.1.2 promptly notify the insurers in writing of any relevant material fact under any Insurances of which the Supplier is or becomes aware; and
- 2.1.3 hold all policies in respect of the Insurances and cause any insurance broker effecting the Insurances to hold any insurance slips and other evidence of placing cover representing any of the Insurances to which it is a party.

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

- 3.1 The Supplier shall not take any action or fail to take any action or (insofar as is reasonably within its power) permit anything to occur in relation to it which would entitle any insurer to refuse to pay any claim under any of the Insurances.
- 3.2 Where the Supplier has failed to purchase or maintain any of the Insurances in full force and effect, the Relevant Authority may elect (but shall not be obliged) following written notice to the Supplier to purchase the relevant Insurances and recover the reasonable premium and other reasonable costs incurred in connection therewith as a debt due from the Supplier.

### **4. Evidence of insurance you must provide**

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

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

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

### **6. Cancelled Insurance**

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

reasonably likely to provide grounds to, the relevant insurer to give notice to cancel, rescind, suspend or void any insurance, or any cover or claim under any insurance in whole or in part.

## **7. Insurance claims**

- 7.1 The Supplier shall promptly notify to insurers any matter arising from, or in relation to, the Deliverables, or each Contract for which it may be entitled to claim under any of the Insurances. In the event that the Relevant Authority receives a claim relating to or arising out of a Contract or the Deliverables, the Supplier shall co-operate with the Relevant Authority and assist it in dealing with such claims including without limitation providing information and documentation in a timely manner.
- 7.2 Except where the Relevant Authority is the claimant party, the Supplier shall give the Relevant Authority notice within twenty (20) Working Days after any insurance claim in excess of 10% of the sum required to be insured pursuant to Paragraph 5.1 relating to or arising out of the provision of the Deliverables or this Contract on any of the Insurances or which, but for the application of the applicable policy excess, would be made on any of the Insurances and (if required by the Relevant Authority) full details of the incident giving rise to the claim.
- 7.3 Where any Insurance requires payment of a premium, the Supplier shall be liable for and shall promptly pay such premium.
- 7.4 Where any Insurance is subject to an excess or deductible below which the indemnity from insurers is excluded, the Supplier shall be liable for such excess or deductible. The Supplier shall not be entitled to recover from the Relevant Authority any sum paid by way of excess or deductible under the Insurances whether under the terms of this Contract or otherwise.

**ANNEX: REQUIRED INSURANCES**

The Supplier shall hold the following standard insurance cover from the Framework Start Date in accordance with this Schedule:

professional indemnity insurance with cover (for a single event or a series of related events and in the aggregate) of not less than

- (a) Lot 1: ten million pounds (£10,000,000);
- (b) Lot 2: one hundred million pounds sterling (£100,000,000);

public liability insurance with cover (for a single event or a series of related events and in the aggregate) of not less than ten million pounds (£10,000,000); and

employers' liability insurance with cover (for a single event or a series of related events and in the aggregate) of not less than ten million pounds (£10,000,000).

## Joint Schedule 4 (Commercially Sensitive Information)

### 1. What is the Commercially Sensitive Information?

- 1.1 In this Schedule the Parties have sought to identify the Supplier's Confidential Information that is genuinely commercially sensitive and the disclosure of which would be the subject of an exemption under the FOIA and the EIRs.
- 1.2 Where possible, the Parties have sought to identify when any relevant Information will cease to fall into the category of Information to which this Schedule applies in the table below and in the Order Form (which shall be deemed incorporated into the table below).
- 1.3 Without prejudice to the Relevant Authority's obligation to disclose Information in accordance with FOIA or Clause 16 (When you can share information), the Relevant Authority will, in its sole discretion, acting reasonably, seek to apply the relevant exemption set out in the FOIA to the following Information:

No.	Date	Item(s)	Duration of Confidentiality
1	10/04/25	Information in Tender on Pricing and Experience	6 years

## Joint Schedule 6 (Key Subcontractors)

### 1. Restrictions on certain subcontractors

- 1.1 The Supplier is entitled to sub-contract its obligations under the Framework Contract to the Key Subcontractors set out in the Framework Award Form.
- 1.2 The Supplier is entitled to sub-contract its obligations under a Call-Off Contract to Key Subcontractors listed in the Framework Award Form who are specifically nominated in the Order Form.
- 1.3 Where during the Contract Period the Supplier wishes to enter into a new Key Subcontract or replace a Key Subcontractor, it must obtain the prior written consent of CCS and the Buyer and the Supplier shall, at the time of requesting such consent, provide CCS and the Buyer with the information detailed in Paragraph 1.4. The decision of CCS and the Buyer to consent or not will not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. Where CCS consents to the appointment of a new Key Subcontractor then they will be added to section 18 of the Framework Award Form. Where the Buyer consents to the appointment of a new Key Subcontractor then they will be added to Key Subcontractor section of the Order Form. CCS and the Buyer may reasonably withhold their consent to the appointment of a Key Subcontractor if it considers that:
  - 1.3.1 the appointment of a proposed Key Subcontractor may prejudice the provision of the Deliverables or may be contrary to its interests;
  - 1.3.2 the proposed Key Subcontractor is unreliable and/or has not provided reliable goods and or reasonable services to its other customers; and/or
  - 1.3.3 the proposed Key Subcontractor employs unfit persons.
- 1.4 The Supplier shall provide CCS and the Buyer with the following information in respect of the proposed Key Subcontractor:
  - 1.4.1 the proposed Key Subcontractor's name, registered office and company registration number;
  - 1.4.2 the scope/description of any Deliverables to be provided by the proposed Key Subcontractor;
  - 1.4.3 where the proposed Key Subcontractor is an Affiliate of the Supplier, evidence that demonstrates to the reasonable satisfaction of the CCS and the Buyer that the proposed Key Sub-Contract has been agreed on "arm's-length" terms;
  - 1.4.4 for CCS, the Key Sub-Contract price expressed as a percentage of the total projected Framework Price over the Framework Contract Period;
  - 1.4.5 for the Buyer, the Key Sub-Contract price expressed as a percentage of the total projected Charges over the Call Off Contract Period; and
  - 1.4.6 (where applicable) Credit Rating Threshold (as defined in Joint Schedule 7 (Financial Distress)) of the Key Subcontractor.
- 1.5 If requested by CCS and/or the Buyer, within ten (10) Working Days of receipt of the information provided by the Supplier pursuant to Paragraph 1.4, the Supplier shall also provide:
  - 1.5.1 a copy of the proposed Key Sub-Contract; and
  - 1.5.2 any further information reasonably requested by CCS and/or the Buyer.

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



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

- 1.1 The Order Form lists the key roles ("**Key Roles**") and names of the persons who the Supplier shall appoint to fill those Key Roles at the Start Date.
- 1.2 The Supplier shall ensure that the Key Staff fulfil the Key Roles at all times during the Contract Period.
- 1.3 The Buyer may identify any further roles as being Key Roles and, following agreement to the same by the Supplier, the relevant person selected to fill those Key Roles shall be included on the list of Key Staff.
- 1.4 The Supplier shall not and shall procure that any Subcontractor shall not remove or replace any Key Staff unless:
  - 1.4.1 requested to do so by the Buyer or the Buyer Approves such removal or replacement (not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed);
  - 1.4.2 the person concerned resigns, retires or dies or is on maternity or long-term sick leave; or
  - 1.4.3 the person's employment or contractual arrangement with the Supplier or Subcontractor is terminated for material breach of contract by the employee.
- 1.5 The Supplier shall:
  - 1.5.1 notify the Buyer promptly of the absence of any Key Staff (other than for short-term sickness or holidays of two (2) weeks or less, in which case the Supplier shall ensure appropriate temporary cover for that Key Role);
  - 1.5.2 ensure that any Key Role is not vacant for any longer than ten (10) Working Days;
  - 1.5.3 give as much notice as is reasonably practicable of its intention to remove or replace any member of Key Staff and, except in the cases of death, unexpected ill health or a material breach of the Key Staff's employment contract, this will mean at least three (3) Months' notice;
  - 1.5.4 ensure that all arrangements for planned changes in Key Staff provide adequate periods during which incoming and outgoing staff work together to transfer responsibilities and ensure that such change does not have an adverse impact on the provision of the Deliverables; and
  - 1.5.5 ensure that any replacement for a Key Role has a level of qualifications and experience appropriate to the relevant Key Role and is fully competent to carry out the tasks assigned to the Key Staff whom he or she has replaced.
- 1.6 The Buyer may require the Supplier to remove or procure that any Subcontractor shall remove any Key Staff that the Buyer considers in any respect unsatisfactory. The Buyer shall not be liable for the cost of replacing any Key Staff.

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

## Joint Schedule 10 (Rectification Plan)

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

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Outcome of review	[Plan Accepted] [Plan Rejected] [Revised Plan Requested]		
Reasons for Rejection (if applicable)	[add reasons]		
Signed by [CCS/Buyer]		Date:	

## Joint Schedule 11 (Processing Data)

### Definitions

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

**“Processor Personnel”** all directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and suppliers of the Processor and/or of any Subprocessor engaged in the performance of its obligations under a Contract;

### Status of the Controller

2. The Parties acknowledge that for the purposes of the Data Protection Legislation, the nature of the activity carried out by each of them in relation to their respective obligations under a Contract dictates the status of each party under the DPA 2018. A Party may act as:

- (a) “Controller” in respect of the other Party who is “Processor”;
- (b) “Processor” in respect of the other Party who is “Controller”;
- (c) “Joint Controller” with the other Party;
- (d) “Independent Controller” of the Personal Data where the other Party is also “Controller”,

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

### Where one Party is Controller and the other Party its Processor (NOT USED)

- 3. Where a Party is a Processor, the only Processing that it is authorised to do is listed in Annex 1 (*Processing Personal Data*) by the Controller.
- 4. The Processor shall notify the Controller immediately if it considers that any of the Controller’s instructions infringe the Data Protection Legislation.
- 5. The Processor shall provide all reasonable assistance to the Controller in the preparation of any Data Protection Impact Assessment prior to commencing any Processing. Such assistance may, at the discretion of the Controller, include:
  - (a) a systematic description of the envisaged Processing and the purpose of the Processing;
  - (b) an assessment of the necessity and proportionality of the Processing in relation to the Deliverables;
  - (c) an assessment of the risks to the rights and freedoms of Data Subjects; and
  - (d) the measures envisaged to address the risks, including safeguards, security measures and mechanisms to ensure the protection of Personal Data.
- 6. The Processor shall, in relation to any Personal Data Processed in connection with its obligations under the Contract:

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- (a) Process that Personal Data only in accordance with Annex 1 (*Processing Personal Data*), unless the Processor is required to do otherwise by Law. If it is so required the Processor shall notify the Controller before Processing the Personal Data unless prohibited by Law;
- (b) ensure that it has in place Protective Measures, including in the case of the Supplier the measures set out in Clause 14.3 of the Core Terms, which the Controller may reasonably reject (but failure to reject shall not amount to approval by the Controller of the adequacy of the Protective Measures) having taken account of the:
  - (i) nature of the data to be protected;
  - (ii) harm that might result from a Personal Data Breach;
  - (iii) state of technological development; and
  - (iv) cost of implementing any measures;
- (c) ensure that :
  - (i) the Processor Personnel do not Process Personal Data except in accordance with the Contract (and in particular Annex 1 (*Processing Personal Data*));
  - (ii) it takes all reasonable steps to ensure the reliability and integrity of any Processor Personnel who have access to the Personal Data and ensure that they:
    - (A) are aware of and comply with the Processor's duties under this Joint Schedule 11, Clauses 14 (*Data protection*), 15 (*What you must keep confidential*) and 16 (*When you can share information*) of the Core Terms;
    - (B) are subject to appropriate confidentiality undertakings with the Processor or any Subprocessor;
    - (C) are informed of the confidential nature of the Personal Data and do not publish, disclose or divulge any of the Personal Data to any third party unless directed in writing to do so by the Controller or as otherwise permitted by the Contract; and
    - (D) have undergone adequate training in the use, care, protection and handling of Personal Data;
- (d) not transfer Personal Data outside of the EU unless the prior written consent of the Controller has been obtained and the following conditions are fulfilled:
  - (i) the Controller or the Processor has provided appropriate safeguards in relation to the transfer (whether in accordance with UK GDPR Article 46 or LED Article 37) as determined by the Controller;
  - (ii) the Data Subject has enforceable rights and effective legal remedies;
  - (iii) 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
  - (iv) the Processor complies with any reasonable instructions notified to it in advance by the Controller with respect to the Processing of the Personal Data; and

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- (e) at the written direction of the Controller, delete or return Personal Data (and any copies of it) to the Controller on termination of the Contract unless the Processor is required by Law to retain the Personal Data.
7. Subject to paragraph 8 of this Joint Schedule 11, the Processor shall notify the Controller immediately if in relation to it Processing Personal Data under or in connection with the Contract it:
    - (a) receives a Data Subject Access Request (or purported Data Subject Access Request);
    - (b) receives a request to rectify, block or erase any Personal Data;
    - (c) receives any other request, complaint or communication relating to either Party's obligations under the Data Protection Legislation;
    - (d) receives any communication from the Information Commissioner or any other regulatory authority in connection with Personal Data Processed under the Contract;
    - (e) receives a request from any third Party for disclosure of Personal Data where compliance with such request is required or purported to be required by Law; or
    - (f) becomes aware of a Personal Data Breach.
  8. The Processor's obligation to notify under paragraph 7 of this Joint Schedule 11 shall include the provision of further information to the Controller, as details become available.
  9. Taking into account the nature of the Processing, the Processor shall provide the Controller with assistance in relation to either Party's obligations under Data Protection Legislation and any complaint, communication or request made under paragraph 7 of this Joint Schedule 11 (and insofar as possible within the timescales reasonably required by the Controller) including by immediately providing:
    - (a) the Controller with full details and copies of the complaint, communication or request;
    - (b) such assistance as is reasonably requested by the Controller to enable it to comply with a Data Subject Access Request within the relevant timescales set out in the Data Protection Legislation;
    - (c) the Controller, at its request, with any Personal Data it holds in relation to a Data Subject;
    - (d) assistance as requested by the Controller following any Personal Data Breach; and/or
    - (e) assistance as requested by the Controller with respect to any request from the Information Commissioner's Office, or any consultation by the Controller with the Information Commissioner's Office.
  10. The Processor shall maintain complete and accurate records and information to demonstrate its compliance with this Joint Schedule 11. This requirement does not apply where the Processor employs fewer than 250 staff, unless:
    - (a) the Controller determines that the Processing is not occasional;
    - (b) the Controller determines the Processing includes special categories of data as referred to in Article 9(1) of the UK GDPR or Personal Data relating to criminal convictions and offences referred to in Article 10 of the UK GDPR; or
    - (c) the Controller determines that the Processing is likely to result in a risk to the rights and freedoms of Data Subjects.

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11. The Processor shall allow for audits of its Data Processing activity by the Controller or the Controller's designated auditor.
12. The Parties shall designate a Data Protection Officer if required by the Data Protection Legislation.
13. Before allowing any Subprocessor to Process any Personal Data related to the Contract, the Processor must:
  - (a) notify the Controller in writing of the intended Subprocessor and Processing;
  - (b) obtain the written consent of the Controller;
  - (c) enter into a written agreement with the Subprocessor which give effect to the terms set out in this Joint Schedule 11 such that they apply to the Subprocessor; and
  - (d) provide the Controller with such information regarding the Subprocessor as the Controller may reasonably require.
14. The Processor shall remain fully liable for all acts or omissions of any of its Subprocessors.
15. The Relevant Authority may, at any time on not less than thirty (30) Working Days' notice, revise this Joint Schedule 11 by replacing it with any applicable controller to processor standard clauses or similar terms forming part of an applicable certification scheme (which shall apply when incorporated by attachment to the Contract).
16. The Parties agree to take account of any guidance issued by the Information Commissioner's Office. The Relevant Authority may on not less than thirty (30) Working Days' notice to the Supplier amend the Contract to ensure that it complies with any guidance issued by the Information Commissioner's Office.

**Where the Parties are Joint Controllers of Personal Data (NOT USED)**

17. In the event that the Parties are Joint Controllers in respect of Personal Data under the Contract, the Parties shall implement paragraphs that are necessary to comply with UK GDPR Article 26 based on the terms set out in Annex 2 to this Joint Schedule 11.

**Independent Controllers of Personal Data**

18. With respect to Personal Data provided by one Party to another Party for which each Party acts as Controller but which is not under the Joint Control of the Parties, each Party undertakes to comply with the applicable Data Protection Legislation in respect of their Processing of such Personal Data as Controller.
19. Each Party shall Process the Personal Data in compliance with its obligations under the Data Protection Legislation and not do anything to cause the other Party to be in breach of it.
20. Where a Party has provided Personal Data to the other Party in accordance with paragraph 18 of this Joint Schedule 11 above, the recipient of the Personal Data will provide all such relevant documents and information relating to its data protection policies and procedures as the other Party may reasonably require.
21. The Parties shall be responsible for their own compliance with Articles 13 and 14 UK GDPR in respect of the Processing of Personal Data for the purposes of the Contract.



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

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- (c) work with the other Party to make any required notifications to the Information Commissioner's Office and affected Data Subjects in accordance with the Data Protection Legislation (including the timeframes set out therein); and
  - (d) not do anything which may damage the reputation of the other Party or that Party's relationship with the relevant Data Subjects, save as required by Law.
27. Personal Data provided by one Party to the other Party may be used exclusively to exercise rights and obligations under the Contract as specified in Annex 1 (*Processing Personal Data*).
28. Personal Data shall not be retained or processed for longer than is necessary to perform each Party's respective obligations under the Contract which is specified in Annex 1 (*Processing Personal Data*).
29. Notwithstanding the general application of paragraphs 2 to 16 of this Joint Schedule 11 to Personal Data, where the Supplier is required to exercise its regulatory and/or legal obligations in respect of Personal Data, it shall act as an Independent Controller of Personal Data in accordance with paragraphs 18 to 28 of this Joint Schedule 11.

## **Annex 1 - Processing Personal Data**

This Annex shall be completed by the Controller, who may take account of the view of the Processors, however the final decision as to the content of this Annex shall be with the Relevant Authority at its absolute discretion.

- 1.1 The contact details of the Relevant Authority's Data Protection Officer are: **Data Protection Officer, Department for Energy Security and Net Zero, 3-8 Whitehall place, London SW1A 2AW**
- 1.2 The contact details of the Supplier's Data Protection Officer are: **REDACTED of Sharpe Pritchard LLP, Elm Yard, 10-16 Elm Street, London, WC1X0BJ**
- 1.3 The Processor shall comply with any further written instructions with respect to Processing by the Controller.
- 1.4 Any such further instructions shall be incorporated into this Annex.

Description	Details
Identity of Controller for each Category of Personal Data	<p><b>The Parties are Independent Controllers of Personal Data</b></p> <p>The Parties acknowledge that they are Independent Controllers for the purposes of the Data Protection Legislation in respect of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business contact details of Supplier Personnel for which the Supplier is the Controller,</li> <li>• Business contact details of any directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and contractors of Relevant Authority (excluding the Supplier Personnel) engaged in the performance of the Relevant Authority's duties under the Contract) for which the Relevant Authority is the Controller,</li> <li>• Other Personal Data may be managed and provided by one Party who is Controller to the other Party who will separately determine the nature and purposes of its Processing the Personal Data on receipt e.g. where (1) the Supplier has professional or regulatory obligations in respect of Personal Data received, (2) a standardised service is such that the Relevant Authority cannot dictate the way in which Personal Data is processed by the Supplier, or (3) where the Supplier comes to the transaction with Personal Data for which it is already Controller for use by the Relevant Authority</li> </ul>
Duration of the Processing	Processing will take place from Call Off Contract Commencement for the duration of the Call Off Contract plus a 5 year retention period. The Call Off Contract will end as per the date detailed in the Order Form.
Nature and purposes of the Processing	The nature of processing will include the storage and use of names and business contact details of staff of both the Buyer and the Supplier as necessary to deliver the services and to undertake contract and performance management. The Call Off Contract itself will include the names and business contact details of staff of both the Buyer and the Supplier involved in managing the Call Off Contract.

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Type of Personal Data	Names, business telephone numbers and email addresses, office location and position of staff of both the Buyer and the Supplier as necessary to deliver the services and to undertake contract and performance management. The Call Off Contract itself will include the names and business contact details of staff of both the Buyer and the Supplier involved in managing the Call Off Contract
Categories of Data Subject	Staff of the Buyer and the Supplier, including where those employees are named within the Call Off Contract itself or involved within contract management.
Plan for return and destruction of the data once the Processing is complete  UNLESS requirement under Union or Member State law to preserve that type of data	<p>The Supplier will provide the Buyer with a complete and uncorrupted version of the Personal Data in electronic form (or such other format as reasonably required by the Authority) and erase from any computers, storage devices and storage media that are to be retained by the Supplier after the expiry of the Call Off Contract. The Supplier will certify to the Buyer that it has completed such deletion.</p> <p>Where Personal Data is contained within the Call off Contract documentation, this will be retained in line with the Buyer's privacy notice found within the Invitation to Tender.</p>

## **Annex 2 - Joint Controller Agreement (NOT USED)**

### **1. Joint Controller Status and Allocation of Responsibilities**

1.1 With respect to Personal Data under Joint Control of the Parties, the Parties envisage that they shall each be a Data Controller in respect of that Personal Data in accordance with the terms of this Annex 2 (Joint Controller Agreement) in replacement of paragraphs 3-16 of Joint Schedule 11 (Where one Party is Controller and the other Party is Processor) and paragraphs 18-28 of Joint Schedule 11 (Independent Controllers of Personal Data). Accordingly, the Parties each undertake to comply with the applicable Data Protection Legislation in respect of their Processing of such Personal Data as Data Controllers.

1.2 The Parties agree that the Supplier/Relevant Authority:

- (a) is the exclusive point of contact for Data Subjects and is responsible for all steps necessary to comply with the UK GDPR regarding the exercise by Data Subjects of their rights under the UK GDPR;
- (b) shall direct Data Subjects to its Data Protection Officer or suitable alternative in connection with the exercise of their rights as Data Subjects and for any enquiries concerning their Personal Data or privacy;
- (c) is solely responsible for the Parties' compliance with all duties to provide information to Data Subjects under Articles 13 and 14 of the UK GDPR;
- (d) is responsible for obtaining the informed consent of Data Subjects, in accordance with the UK GDPR, for Processing in connection with the Deliverables where consent is the relevant legal basis for that Processing; and
- (e) shall make available to Data Subjects the essence of this Annex (and notify them of any changes to it) concerning the allocation of responsibilities as Joint Controller and its role as exclusive point of contact, the Parties having used their best endeavours to agree the terms of that essence. This must be outlined in the [Supplier's/Relevant Authority's] privacy policy (which must be readily available by hyperlink or otherwise on all of its public facing services and marketing).

1.3 Notwithstanding the terms of clause 1.2, the Parties acknowledge that a Data Subject has the right to exercise their legal rights under the Data Protection Legislation as against the relevant Party as Controller.

### **2. Undertakings of both Parties**

2.1 The Supplier and the Relevant Authority each undertake that they shall:

- (a) report to the other Party every 12 months on:
  - (i) the volume of Data Subject Access Request (or purported Data Subject Access Requests) from Data Subjects (or third parties on their behalf);
  - (ii) the volume of requests from Data Subjects (or third parties on their behalf) to rectify, block or erase any Personal Data;

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

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

- (b) notify each other immediately if it receives any request, complaint or communication made as referred to in Clauses 2.1(a)(i) to (v);
- (c) provide the other Party with full cooperation and assistance in relation to any request, complaint or communication made as referred to in Clauses 2.1(a)(iii) to (v) to enable the other Party to comply with the relevant timescales set out in the Data Protection Legislation;
- (d) not disclose or transfer the Personal Data to any third party unless necessary for the provision of the Deliverables and, for any disclosure or transfer of Personal Data to any third party, (save where such disclosure or transfer is specifically authorised under the Contract or is required by Law) ensure consent has been obtained from the Data Subject prior to disclosing or transferring the Personal Data to the third party. For the avoidance of doubt, the third party to which Personal Data is transferred must be subject to equivalent obligations which are no less onerous than those set out in this Annex;
- (e) request from the Data Subject only the minimum information necessary to provide the Deliverables and treat such extracted information as Confidential Information;
- (f) ensure that at all times it has in place appropriate Protective Measures to guard against unauthorised or unlawful Processing of the Personal Data and/or accidental loss, destruction or damage to the Personal Data and unauthorised or unlawful disclosure of or access to the Personal Data;
- (g) take all reasonable steps to ensure the reliability and integrity of any of its Personnel who have access to the Personal Data and ensure that its Personnel:
  - (i) are aware of and comply with their duties under this Annex 2 (Joint Controller Agreement) and those in respect of Confidential Information;
  - (ii) are informed of the confidential nature of the Personal Data, are subject to appropriate obligations of confidentiality and do not publish, disclose or divulge any of the Personal Data to any third party where the that Party would not be permitted to do so; and
  - (iii) have undergone adequate training in the use, care, protection and handling of personal data as required by the applicable Data Protection Legislation;

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- (h) ensure that it has in place Protective Measures as appropriate to protect against a Personal Data Breach having taken account of the:
  - (i) nature of the data to be protected;
  - (ii) harm that might result from a Personal Data Breach;
  - (iii) state of technological development; and
  - (iv) cost of implementing any measures;
- (i) ensure that it has the capability (whether technological or otherwise), to the extent required by Data Protection Legislation, to provide or correct or delete at the request of a Data Subject all the Personal Data relating to that Data Subject that it holds; and
- (j) ensure that it notifies the other Party as soon as it becomes aware of a Personal Data Breach.

2.2 Each Joint Controller shall use its reasonable endeavours to assist the other Controller to comply with any obligations under applicable Data Protection Legislation and shall not perform its obligations under this Annex in such a way as to cause the other Joint Controller to breach any of its obligations under applicable Data Protection Legislation to the extent it is aware, or ought reasonably to have been aware, that the same would be a breach of such obligations.

### 3. **Data Protection Breach**

3.1 Without prejudice to clause 3.2, each Party shall notify the other Party promptly and without undue delay, and in any event within 48 hours, upon becoming aware of any Personal Data Breach or circumstances that are likely to give rise to a Personal Data Breach, providing the other Party and its advisors with:

- (a) sufficient information and in a timescale which allows the other Party to meet any obligations to report a Personal Data Breach under the Data Protection Legislation; and
- (b) all reasonable assistance, including:
  - (i) co-operation with the other Party and the Information Commissioner investigating the Personal Data Breach and its cause, containing and recovering the compromised Personal Data and compliance with the applicable guidance;
  - (ii) co-operation with the other Party including taking such reasonable steps as are directed by the other Party to assist in the investigation, mitigation and remediation of a Personal Data Breach;
  - (iii) co-ordination with the other Party regarding the management of public relations and public statements relating to the Personal Data Breach; and/or
  - (iv) providing the other Party and to the extent instructed by the other Party to do so, and/or the Information Commissioner investigating the Personal Data Breach, with complete information relating to the

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Personal Data Breach, including, without limitation, the information set out in Clause 3.2.

3.2 Each Party shall take all steps to restore, re-constitute and/or reconstruct any Personal Data where it has lost, damaged, destroyed, altered or corrupted as a result of a Personal Data Breach as it was that Party's own data at its own cost with all possible speed and shall provide the other Party with all reasonable assistance in respect of any such Personal Data Breach, including providing the other Party, as soon as possible and within 48 hours of the Personal Data Breach relating to the Personal Data Breach, in particular:

- (a) the nature of the Personal Data Breach;
- (b) the nature of Personal Data affected;
- (c) the categories and number of Data Subjects concerned;
- (d) the name and contact details of the Supplier's Data Protection Officer or other relevant contact from whom more information may be obtained;
- (e) measures taken or proposed to be taken to address the Personal Data Breach; and
- (f) describe the likely consequences of the Personal Data Breach.

#### **4. Audit**

4.1 The Supplier shall permit:

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

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

#### **5. Impact Assessments**

5.1 The Parties shall:

- (a) provide all reasonable assistance to each other to prepare any Data Protection Impact Assessment as may be required (including provision of detailed information and assessments in relation to Processing operations, risks and measures); and



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- (b) maintain full and complete records of all Processing carried out in respect of the Personal Data in connection with the Contract, in accordance with the terms of Article 30 UK GDPR.

**6. ICO Guidance**

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

**7. Liabilities for Data Protection Breach**

- 7.1 If financial penalties are imposed by the Information Commissioner on either the Relevant Authority or the Supplier for a Personal Data Breach ("**Financial Penalties**") then the following shall occur:

- (a) if in the view of the Information Commissioner, the Relevant Authority is responsible for the Personal Data Breach, in that it is caused as a result of the actions or inaction of the Relevant Authority, its employees, agents, contractors (other than the Supplier) or systems and procedures controlled by the Relevant Authority, then the Relevant Authority shall be responsible for the payment of such Financial Penalties. In this case, the Relevant Authority will conduct an internal audit and engage at its reasonable cost when necessary, an independent third party to conduct an audit of any such Personal Data Breach. The Supplier shall provide to the Relevant Authority and its third party investigators and auditors, on request and at the Supplier's reasonable cost, full cooperation and access to conduct a thorough audit of such Personal Data Breach;
- (b) if in the view of the Information Commissioner, the Supplier is responsible for the Personal Data Breach, in that it is not a Personal Data Breach that the Relevant Authority is responsible for, then the Supplier shall be responsible for the payment of these Financial Penalties. The Supplier will provide to the Relevant Authority and its auditors, on request and at the Supplier's sole cost, full cooperation and access to conduct a thorough audit of such Personal Data Breach; or
- (c) if no view as to responsibility is expressed by the Information Commissioner, then the Relevant Authority and the Supplier shall work together to investigate the relevant Personal Data Breach and allocate responsibility for any Financial Penalties as outlined above, or by agreement to split any financial penalties equally if no responsibility for the Personal Data Breach can be apportioned. In the event that the Parties do not agree such apportionment then such Dispute shall be referred to the Dispute Resolution Procedure set out in Clause 34 of the Core Terms (Resolving disputes).

- 7.2 If either the Relevant Authority or the Supplier is the defendant in a legal claim brought before a court of competent jurisdiction ("Court") by a third party in respect of a Personal Data Breach, then unless the Parties otherwise agree, the Party that is determined by the final decision of the court to be responsible for the Personal Data Breach shall be liable for the losses arising from such Personal Data Breach. Where both Parties are liable, the liability will be apportioned between the Parties in accordance with the decision of the Court.

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- 7.3 In respect of any losses, cost claims or expenses incurred by either Party as a result of a Personal Data Breach (the "Claim Losses"):
- (a) if the Relevant Authority is responsible for the relevant Personal Data Breach, then the Relevant Authority shall be responsible for the Claim Losses;
  - (b) if the Supplier is responsible for the relevant Personal Data Breach, then the Supplier shall be responsible for the Claim Losses: and
  - (c) if responsibility for the relevant Personal Data Breach is unclear, then the Relevant Authority and the Supplier shall be responsible for the Claim Losses equally.
- 7.4 Nothing in either clause 7.2 or clause 7.3 shall preclude the Relevant Authority and the Supplier reaching any other agreement, including by way of compromise with a third party complainant or claimant, as to the apportionment of financial responsibility for any Claim Losses as a result of a Personal Data Breach, having regard to all the circumstances of the Personal Data Breach and the legal and financial obligations of the Relevant Authority.

**8. Termination**

If the Supplier is in material Default under any of its obligations under this Annex 2 (*Joint Controller Agreement*), the Relevant Authority shall be entitled to terminate the Contract by issuing a Termination Notice to the Supplier in accordance with Clause 10 of the Core Terms (*Ending the contract*).

**9. Sub-Processing**

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

**10. Data Retention**

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

## Joint Schedule 12 (Supply Chain Visibility)

### 1. Definitions

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

"Contracts Finder"	the Government's publishing portal for public sector procurement opportunities;
"SME"	an enterprise falling within the category of micro, small and medium sized enterprises defined by the Commission Recommendation of 6 May 2003 concerning the definition of micro, small and medium sized enterprises;
"Supply Chain Information Report Template"	the document at Annex 1 of this Schedule 12; and
"VCSE"	a non-governmental organisation that is value-driven and which principally reinvests its surpluses to further social, environmental or cultural objectives.

### 2. Visibility of Sub-Contract Opportunities in the Supply Chain

2.1 The Supplier shall:

- 2.1.1 subject to Paragraph 2.3, advertise on Contracts Finder all Sub-Contract opportunities arising from or in connection with the provision of the Deliverables above a minimum threshold of £25,000 that arise during the Contract Period;
- 2.1.2 within 90 days of awarding a Sub-Contract to a Subcontractor, update the notice on Contract Finder with details of the successful Subcontractor;
- 2.1.3 monitor the number, type and value of the Sub-Contract opportunities placed on Contracts Finder advertised and awarded in its supply chain during the Contract Period;
- 2.1.4 provide reports on the information at Paragraph 2.1.3 to the Relevant Authority in the format and frequency as reasonably specified by the Relevant Authority; and
- 2.1.5 promote Contracts Finder to its suppliers and encourage those organisations to register on Contracts Finder.

2.2 Each advert referred to at Paragraph 2.1.1 of this Schedule 12 shall provide a full and detailed description of the Sub-Contract opportunity with each of the mandatory fields being completed on Contracts Finder by the Supplier.

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- 2.3 The obligation on the Supplier set out at Paragraph 2.1 shall only apply in respect of Sub-Contract opportunities arising after the Effective Date.
- 2.4 Notwithstanding Paragraph 2.1, the Authority may by giving its prior Approval, agree that a Sub-Contract opportunity is not required to be advertised by the Supplier on Contracts Finder.

**3. Visibility of Supply Chain Spend**

- 3.1 In addition to any other management information requirements set out in the Contract, the Supplier agrees and acknowledges that it shall, at no charge, provide timely, full, accurate and complete SME management information reports (the "SME Management Information Reports") to the Relevant Authority which incorporates the data described in the Supply Chain Information Report Template which is:
  - (a) the total contract revenue received directly on the Contract;
  - (b) the total value of sub-contracted revenues under the Contract (including revenues for non-SMEs/non-VCSEs); and
  - (c) the total value of sub-contracted revenues to SMEs and VCSEs.
- 3.2 The SME Management Information Reports shall be provided by the Supplier in the correct format as required by the Supply Chain Information Report Template and any guidance issued by the Relevant Authority from time to time. The Supplier agrees that it shall use the Supply Chain Information Report Template to provide the information detailed at Paragraph 3.1(a) –(c) and acknowledges that the template may be changed from time to time (including the data required and/or format) by the Relevant Authority issuing a replacement version. The Relevant Authority agrees to give at least thirty (30) days' notice in writing of any such change and shall specify the date from which it must be used.
- 3.3 The Supplier further agrees and acknowledges that it may not make any amendment to the Supply Chain Information Report Template without the prior Approval of the Authority.

**Annex 1****Supply Chain Information Report template**

(available upon request)

## Call-Off Schedule 1 (Transparency Reports)

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

### Annex A: List of Transparency Reports

Title	Content	Format	Frequency
Performance	KPI recording	KPI reports, the format of which is to be agreed between Supplier and Buyer	Quarterly Reporting
Supply Chain Transparency	Supply Chain information	As per Joint Schedule 12 – Supply Chain Visibility	Upon request by the Buyer

## **Call-Off Schedule 2 (Staff Transfer)**

**(Attached separately)**

## Call-Off Schedule 3 (Continuous Improvement)

### 1. Buyer's Rights

The Buyer and the Supplier recognise that, where specified in Framework Schedule 4 (Framework Management), the Buyer may give CCS the right to enforce the Buyer's rights under this Schedule.

### 2. Supplier's Obligations

2.1 The Supplier must, throughout the Contract Period, identify new or potential improvements to the provision of the Deliverables with a view to reducing the Buyer's costs (including the Charges) and/or improving the quality and efficiency of the Deliverables and their supply to the Buyer.

2.2 The Supplier must adopt a policy of continuous improvement in relation to the Deliverables, which must include regular reviews with the Buyer of the Deliverables and the way it provides them, with a view to reducing the Buyer's costs (including the Charges) and/or improving the quality and efficiency of the Deliverables. The Supplier and the Buyer must provide each other with any information relevant to meeting this objective.

2.3 In addition to Paragraph 2.1, the Supplier shall produce at the start of each Contract Year a plan for improving the provision of Deliverables and/or reducing the Charges (without adversely affecting the performance of this Contract) during that Contract Year ("**Continuous Improvement Plan**") for the Buyer's Approval. The Continuous Improvement Plan must include, as a minimum, proposals:

- 2.3.1 identifying the emergence of relevant new and evolving technologies;
- 2.3.2 changes in business processes of the Supplier or the Buyer and ways of working that would provide cost savings and/or enhanced benefits to the Buyer (such as methods of interaction, supply chain efficiencies, reduction in energy consumption and methods of sale);
- 2.3.3 new or potential improvements to the provision of the Deliverables including the quality, responsiveness, procedures, benchmarking methods, likely performance mechanisms and customer support services in relation to the Deliverables; and
- 2.3.4 measuring and reducing the sustainability impacts of the Supplier's operations and supply-chains relating to the Deliverables, and identifying opportunities to assist the Buyer in meeting their sustainability objectives.

2.4 The initial Continuous Improvement Plan for the first (1<sup>st</sup>) Contract Year shall be submitted by the Supplier to the Buyer for Approval within one hundred (100) Working Days of the first Order or six (6) Months following the Start Date, whichever is earlier.

2.5 The Buyer shall notify the Supplier of its Approval or rejection of the proposed Continuous Improvement Plan or any updates to it within twenty (20) Working Days of receipt. If it is rejected then the Supplier shall, within ten (10) Working Days of receipt of notice of rejection, submit a revised Continuous Improvement Plan reflecting the changes required. Once Approved, it becomes the Continuous Improvement Plan for the purposes of this Contract.

2.6 The Supplier must provide sufficient information with each suggested improvement to enable a decision on whether to implement it. The Supplier shall provide any further information as requested.

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- 2.7 If the Buyer wishes to incorporate any improvement into this Contract, it must request a Variation in accordance with the Variation Procedure and the Supplier must implement such Variation at no additional cost to the Buyer or CCS.
- 2.8 Once the first Continuous Improvement Plan has been Approved in accordance with Paragraph 2.5:
- 2.8.1 the Supplier shall use all reasonable endeavours to implement any agreed deliverables in accordance with the Continuous Improvement Plan; and
  - 2.8.2 the Parties agree to meet as soon as reasonably possible following the start of each quarter (or as otherwise agreed between the Parties) to review the Supplier's progress against the Continuous Improvement Plan.
- 2.9 The Supplier shall update the Continuous Improvement Plan as and when required but at least once every Contract Year (after the first (1<sup>st</sup>) Contract Year) in accordance with the procedure and timescales set out in Paragraph 2.3.
- 2.10 All costs relating to the compilation or updating of the Continuous Improvement Plan and the costs arising from any improvement made pursuant to it and the costs of implementing any improvement, shall have no effect on and are included in the Charges.
- 2.11 Should the Supplier's costs in providing the Deliverables to the Buyer be reduced as a result of any changes implemented, all of the cost savings shall be passed on to the Buyer by way of a consequential and immediate reduction in the Charges for the Deliverables.
- 2.12 At any time during the Contract Period of the Call-Off Contract, the Supplier may make a proposal for gainshare. If the Buyer deems gainshare to be applicable then the Supplier shall update the Continuous Improvement Plan so as to include details of the way in which the proposal shall be implemented in accordance with an agreed gainshare ratio.



## Call-Off Schedule 5 (Pricing Details)

1.1. The price of commissioning a project, as detailed in each Legal Instruction Template, will be informed by the below tables.

Grade Descriptions:

Grade Band	Typical Years' PQE	Positions which typically fall within Grade band	Grade Description
1	10+	Partner	<p>Key point of contact with the Buyer</p> <p>Overall responsibility for quality assurance, success of project and supervision of Supplier Staff</p> <p>Overall responsibility for working within budgets agreed as part of a Call-Off Contract</p> <p>Considered expert in the relevant field</p> <p>Appropriate direct contribution to complex/important legal matters relating to a Call-Off Contract</p>
2	8+	Legal Director/ Counsel or equivalent	<p>Delivering work independently on behalf of the firm</p> <p>Main point of contact for day-to-day Buyer liaison (for more complex/significant and non-routine matters)</p> <p>Considered expert in the relevant field</p> <p>Responsibility for quality assurance, success of project and supervision of Supplier Staff</p> <p>Responsibility for working within budgets agreed as part of a Call-Off Contract</p> <p>Direct contribution to complex/important legal matters relating to a Call-Off Contract</p> <p>Will involve Partner level input if/as appropriate</p>
3	6+	Senior Solicitor, Senior Associate	<p>Substantive experience and proficiency in the relevant field</p> <p>Day-to-day Matter Management</p> <p>Significant level of quality assurance</p> <p>Appropriate direct contribution to difficult/important legal matters relating to a Call-Off Contract</p> <p>Will involve more senior grades of lawyer as appropriate</p>
4	3 to 5	Solicitor, Associate	<p>Main contact for day-to-day Buyer liaison (for simple and routine matters)</p> <p>Will involve more senior grades of lawyer as appropriate.</p>

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<b>Grade Band</b>	<b>Typical Years' PQE</b>	<b>Positions which typically fall within Grade band</b>	<b>Grade Description</b>
5	0 to 3	NQ Solicitor/Associate, Junior Solicitor/Associate	Performing work that typically requires up to 3 years' post-qualified experience (PQE) in the relevant field of work
6	N/A	Trainee	Individuals who are undergoing their legal training contract or equivalent Experience in the relevant field of work or similar is not required
7	N/A	Paralegal, Legal Assistant	Individuals who provide administrative and legal support Experience in the relevant field of work or similar is not required

Legal Project Managers are most likely to be used to support and improve service delivery in particularly novel/complex/large projects – helping to identify key obstacles to be overcome to reach designated milestones. They will work with lawyers and client contacts to initiate, plan, prioritise and manage work activities and projects to ensure they are completed efficiently, on time, on cost and to an appropriate standard.

Rates for the Call-Off Contract Duration

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Rates are exclusive of VAT

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

- 1.1 The Order Form lists the key roles ("**Key Roles**") and names of the persons who the Supplier shall appoint to fill those Key Roles at the Start Date.
- 1.2 The Supplier shall ensure that the Key Staff fulfil the Key Roles at all times during the Contract Period.
- 1.3 The Buyer may identify any further roles as being Key Roles and, following agreement to the same by the Supplier, the relevant person selected to fill those Key Roles shall be included on the list of Key Staff.
- 1.4 The Supplier shall not and shall procure that any Subcontractor shall not remove or replace any Key Staff unless:
  - 1.4.1 requested to do so by the Buyer or the Buyer Approves such removal or replacement (not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed);
  - 1.4.2 the person concerned resigns, retires or dies or is on maternity or long-term sick leave; or
  - 1.4.3 the person's employment or contractual arrangement with the Supplier or Subcontractor is terminated for material breach of contract by the employee.
- 1.5 The Supplier shall:
  - 1.5.1 notify the Buyer promptly of the absence of any Key Staff (other than for short-term sickness or holidays of two (2) weeks or less, in which case the Supplier shall ensure appropriate temporary cover for that Key Role);
  - 1.5.2 ensure that any Key Role is not vacant for any longer than ten (10) Working Days;
  - 1.5.3 give as much notice as is reasonably practicable of its intention to remove or replace any member of Key Staff and, except in the cases of death, unexpected ill health or a material breach of the Key Staff's employment contract, this will mean at least three (3) Months' notice;
  - 1.5.4 ensure that all arrangements for planned changes in Key Staff provide adequate periods during which incoming and outgoing staff work together to transfer responsibilities and ensure that such change does not have an adverse impact on the provision of the Deliverables; and
  - 1.5.5 ensure that any replacement for a Key Role has a level of qualifications and experience appropriate to the relevant Key Role and is fully competent to carry out the tasks assigned to the Key Staff whom he or she has replaced.
- 1.6 The Buyer may require the Supplier to remove or procure that any Subcontractor shall remove any Key Staff that the Buyer considers in any respect unsatisfactory. The Buyer shall not be liable for the cost of replacing any Key Staff.

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

### 1. Definitions

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

<b>"BCDR Plan"</b>	has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 2.2 of this Schedule;
<b>"Business Continuity Plan"</b>	has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 2.3.2 of this Schedule;
<b>"Disaster"</b>	the occurrence of one or more events which, either separately or cumulatively, mean that the Deliverables, or a material part thereof will be unavailable (or could reasonably be anticipated to be unavailable);
<b>"Disaster Recovery Deliverables"</b>	the Deliverables embodied in the processes and procedures for restoring the provision of Deliverables following the occurrence of a Disaster;
<b>"Disaster Recovery Plan"</b>	has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 2.3.3 of this Schedule;
<b>"Disaster Recovery System"</b>	the system embodied in the processes and procedures for restoring the provision of Deliverables following the occurrence of a Disaster;
<b>"Related Supplier"</b>	any person who provides Deliverables to the Buyer which are related to the Deliverables from time to time;
<b>"Review Report"</b>	has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 6.3 of this Schedule; and
<b>"Supplier's Proposals"</b>	has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 6.3 of this Schedule;

### 2. BCDR Plan

2.1 The Buyer and the Supplier recognise that, where specified in Schedule 4 (Framework Management), CCS shall have the right to enforce the Buyer's rights under this Schedule.

2.2 Within 3 months of the Start Date the Supplier shall prepare and deliver to the Buyer for the Buyer's written approval a plan (a **"BCDR Plan"**), which shall detail the processes and arrangements that the Supplier shall follow to:

2.2.1 ensure continuity of the business processes and operations supported by the Services following any failure or disruption of any element of the Deliverables; and

2.2.2 the recovery of the Deliverables in the event of a Disaster

- 2.3 The BCDR Plan shall be divided into three sections:
- 2.3.1 Section 1 which shall set out general principles applicable to the BCDR Plan;
  - 2.3.2 Section 2 which shall relate to business continuity (the "**Business Continuity Plan**"); and
  - 2.3.3 Section 3 which shall relate to disaster recovery (the "**Disaster Recovery Plan**").
- 2.4 Following receipt of the draft BCDR Plan from the Supplier, the Parties shall use reasonable endeavours to agree the contents of the BCDR Plan. If the Parties are unable to agree the contents of the BCDR Plan within twenty (20) Working Days of its submission, then such Dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure.

### 3. General Principles of the BCDR Plan (Section 1)

- 3.1 Section 1 of the BCDR Plan shall:
- 3.1.1 set out how the business continuity and disaster recovery elements of the BCDR Plan link to each other;
  - 3.1.2 provide details of how the invocation of any element of the BCDR Plan may impact upon the provision of the Deliverables and any goods and/or services provided to the Buyer by a Related Supplier;
  - 3.1.3 contain an obligation upon the Supplier to liaise with the Buyer and any Related Suppliers with respect to business continuity and disaster recovery;
  - 3.1.4 detail how the BCDR Plan interoperates with any overarching disaster recovery or business continuity plan of the Buyer and any of its other Related Supplier in each case as notified to the Supplier by the Buyer from time to time;
  - 3.1.5 contain a communication strategy including details of an incident and problem management service and advice and help desk facility which can be accessed via multiple channels;
  - 3.1.6 contain a risk analysis, including:
    - (a) failure or disruption scenarios and assessments of likely frequency of occurrence;
    - (b) identification of any single points of failure within the provision of Deliverables and processes for managing those risks;
    - (c) identification of risks arising from the interaction of the provision of Deliverables with the goods and/or services provided by a Related Supplier; and
    - (d) a business impact analysis of different anticipated failures or disruptions;
  - 3.1.7 provide for documentation of processes, including business processes, and procedures;
  - 3.1.8 set out key contact details for the Supplier (and any Subcontractors) and for the Buyer;
  - 3.1.9 identify the procedures for reverting to "normal service";
  - 3.1.10 set out method(s) of recovering or updating data collected (or which ought to have been collected) during a failure or disruption to minimise data loss;
  - 3.1.11 identify the responsibilities (if any) that the Buyer has agreed it will assume in the event of the invocation of the BCDR Plan; and

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- 3.1.12 provide for the provision of technical assistance to key contacts at the Buyer as required by the Buyer to inform decisions in support of the Buyer's business continuity plans.
- 3.2 The BCDR Plan shall be designed so as to ensure that:
  - 3.2.1 the Deliverables are provided in accordance with this Contract at all times during and after the invocation of the BCDR Plan;
  - 3.2.2 the adverse impact of any Disaster is minimised as far as reasonably possible;
  - 3.2.3 it complies with the relevant provisions of ISO/IEC 27002; ISO22301/ISO22313 and all other industry standards from time to time in force; and
  - 3.2.4 it details a process for the management of disaster recovery testing.
- 3.3 The BCDR Plan shall be upgradeable and sufficiently flexible to support any changes to the Deliverables and the business operations supported by the provision of Deliverables.
- 3.4 The Supplier shall not be entitled to any relief from its obligations under the Performance Indicators (PI's) or Service levels, or to any increase in the Charges to the extent that a Disaster occurs as a consequence of any breach by the Supplier of this Contract.

**4. Business Continuity (Section 2)**

- 4.1 The Business Continuity Plan shall set out the arrangements that are to be invoked to ensure that the business processes facilitated by the provision of Deliverables remain supported and to ensure continuity of the business operations supported by the Services including:
  - 4.1.1 the alternative processes, options and responsibilities that may be adopted in the event of a failure in or disruption to the provision of Deliverables; and
  - 4.1.2 the steps to be taken by the Supplier upon resumption of the provision of Deliverables in order to address the effect of the failure or disruption.
- 4.2 The Business Continuity Plan shall:
  - 4.2.1 address the various possible levels of failures of or disruptions to the provision of Deliverables;
  - 4.2.2 set out the goods and/or services to be provided and the steps to be taken to remedy the different levels of failures of and disruption to the Deliverables;
  - 4.2.3 specify any applicable Performance Indicators with respect to the provision of the Business Continuity Services and details of any agreed relaxation to the Performance Indicators (PI's) or Service Levels in respect of the provision of other Deliverables during any period of invocation of the Business Continuity Plan; and
  - 4.2.4 set out the circumstances in which the Business Continuity Plan is invoked.

**5. Disaster Recovery (Section 3)**

- 5.1 The Disaster Recovery Plan (which shall be invoked only upon the occurrence of a Disaster) shall be designed to ensure that upon the occurrence of a Disaster the Supplier ensures continuity of the business operations of the Buyer supported by the Services following any Disaster or during any period of service failure or disruption with, as far as reasonably possible, minimal adverse impact.

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- 5.2 The Supplier's BCDR Plan shall include an approach to business continuity and disaster recovery that addresses the following:
- 5.2.1 loss of access to the Buyer Premises;
  - 5.2.2 loss of utilities to the Buyer Premises;
  - 5.2.3 loss of the Supplier's helpdesk or CAFM system;
  - 5.2.4 loss of a Subcontractor;
  - 5.2.5 emergency notification and escalation process;
  - 5.2.6 contact lists;
  - 5.2.7 staff training and awareness;
  - 5.2.8 BCDR Plan testing;
  - 5.2.9 post implementation review process;
  - 5.2.10 any applicable Performance Indicators (PI's) with respect to the provision of the disaster recovery services and details of any agreed relaxation to the Performance Indicators (PI's) or Service Levels in respect of the provision of other Deliverables during any period of invocation of the Disaster Recovery Plan;
  - 5.2.11 details of how the Supplier shall ensure compliance with security standards ensuring that compliance is maintained for any period during which the Disaster Recovery Plan is invoked;
  - 5.2.12 access controls to any disaster recovery sites used by the Supplier in relation to its obligations pursuant to this Schedule; and
  - 5.2.13 testing and management arrangements.

**6. Review and changing the BCDR Plan**

- 6.1 The Supplier shall review the BCDR Plan:
- 6.1.1 on a regular basis and as a minimum once every six (6) Months;
  - 6.1.2 within three (3) calendar Months of the BCDR Plan (or any part) having been invoked pursuant to Paragraph 7; and
  - 6.1.3 where the Buyer requests in writing any additional reviews (over and above those provided for in Paragraphs 6.1.1 and 6.1.2 of this Schedule) whereupon the Supplier shall conduct such reviews in accordance with the Buyer's written requirements. Prior to starting its review, the Supplier shall provide an accurate written estimate of the total costs payable by the Buyer for the Buyer's approval. The costs of both Parties of any such additional reviews shall be met by the Buyer except that the Supplier shall not be entitled to charge the Buyer for any costs that it may incur above any estimate without the Buyer's prior written approval.
- 6.2 Each review of the BCDR Plan pursuant to Paragraph 6.1 shall assess its suitability having regard to any change to the Deliverables or any underlying business processes and operations facilitated by or supported by the Services which have taken place since the later of the original approval of the BCDR Plan or the last review of the BCDR Plan, and shall also have regard to any occurrence of any event since that date (or the likelihood of any such event taking place in the foreseeable future) which may increase the likelihood of the need to invoke the BCDR Plan. The review shall be completed by the Supplier within such period as the Buyer shall reasonably require.

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- 6.3 The Supplier shall, within twenty (20) Working Days of the conclusion of each such review of the BCDR Plan, provide to the Buyer a report (a "**Review Report**") setting out the Supplier's proposals (the "**Supplier's Proposals**") for addressing any changes in the risk profile and its proposals for amendments to the BCDR Plan.
- 6.4 Following receipt of the Review Report and the Supplier's Proposals, the Parties shall use reasonable endeavours to agree the Review Report and the Supplier's Proposals. If the Parties are unable to agree Review Report and the Supplier's Proposals within twenty (20) Working Days of its submission, then such Dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure.
- 6.5 The Supplier shall as soon as is reasonably practicable after receiving the approval of the Supplier's Proposals effect any change in its practices or procedures necessary so as to give effect to the Supplier's Proposals. Any such change shall be at the Supplier's expense unless it can be reasonably shown that the changes are required because of a material change to the risk profile of the Deliverables.

**7. Testing the BCDR Plan**

- 7.1 The Supplier shall test the BCDR Plan:
  - 7.1.1 Every 12 months of the Contract;
  - 7.1.2 in the event of any major reconfiguration of the Deliverables
  - 7.1.3 at any time where the Buyer considers it necessary (acting in its sole discretion).
- 7.2 If the Buyer requires an additional test of the BCDR Plan, it shall give the Supplier written notice and the Supplier shall conduct the test in accordance with the Buyer's requirements and the relevant provisions of the BCDR Plan. The Supplier's costs of the additional test shall be borne by the Buyer unless the BCDR Plan fails the additional test in which case the Supplier's costs of that failed test shall be borne by the Supplier.
- 7.3 The Supplier shall undertake and manage testing of the BCDR Plan in full consultation with and under the supervision of the Buyer and shall liaise with the Buyer in respect of the planning, performance, and review, of each test, and shall comply with the reasonable requirements of the Buyer.
- 7.4 The Supplier shall ensure that any use by it or any Subcontractor of "live" data in such testing is first approved with the Buyer. Copies of live test data used in any such testing shall be (if so required by the Buyer) destroyed or returned to the Buyer on completion of the test.
- 7.5 The Supplier shall, within twenty (20) Working Days of the conclusion of each test, provide to the Buyer a report setting out:
  - 7.5.1 the outcome of the test;
  - 7.5.2 any failures in the BCDR Plan (including the BCDR Plan's procedures) revealed by the test; and
  - 7.5.3 the Supplier's proposals for remedying any such failures.
- 7.6 Following each test, the Supplier shall take all measures requested by the Buyer to remedy any failures in the BCDR Plan and such remedial activity and re-testing shall be completed by the Supplier, at its own cost, by the date reasonably required by the Buyer.



**8. Invoking the BCDR Plan**

- 8.1 In the event of a complete loss of service or in the event of a Disaster, the Supplier shall immediately invoke the BCDR Plan (and shall inform the Buyer promptly of such invocation). In all other instances the Supplier shall invoke or test the BCDR Plan only with the prior consent of the Buyer.

**9. Circumstances beyond your control**

- 9.1 The Supplier shall not be entitled to relief under Clause 20 (Circumstances beyond your control) if it would not have been impacted by the Force Majeure Event had it not failed to comply with its obligations under this Schedule.

## Call-Off Schedule 9 (Security)

### Part A: Short Form Security Requirements

#### 1. Definitions

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

"Breach of Security"	<p>the occurrence of:</p> <p>any unauthorised access to or use of the Deliverables, the Sites and/or any Information and Communication Technology ("ICT"), information or data (including the Confidential Information and the Government Data) used by the Buyer and/or the Supplier in connection with this Contract; and/or</p> <p>the loss and/or unauthorised disclosure of any information or data (including the Confidential Information and the Government Data), including any copies of such information or data, used by the Buyer and/or the Supplier in connection with this Contract,</p> <p>in either case as more particularly set out in the Security Policy where the Buyer has required compliance therewith in accordance with paragraph 2.2;</p>
"Security Management Plan"	<p>the Supplier's security management plan prepared pursuant to this Schedule, a draft of which has been provided by the Supplier to the Buyer and as updated from time to time.</p>

#### 2. Complying with security requirements and updates to them

- 2.1 The Buyer and the Supplier recognise that, where specified in Framework Schedule 4 (Framework Management), CCS shall have the right to enforce the Buyer's rights under this Schedule.
- 2.2 The Supplier shall comply with the requirements in this Schedule in respect of the Security Management Plan. Where specified by a Buyer that has undertaken a Further Competition it shall also comply with the Security Policy and shall ensure that the Security Management Plan produced by the Supplier fully complies with the Security Policy.
- 2.3 Where the Security Policy applies the Buyer shall notify the Supplier of any changes or proposed changes to the Security Policy.
- 2.4 If the Supplier believes that a change or proposed change to the Security Policy will have a material and unavoidable cost implication to the provision of the Deliverables it may propose a Variation to the Buyer. In doing so, the Supplier must support its request by providing evidence of the cause of any increased costs and the steps that it has

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taken to mitigate those costs. Any change to the Charges shall be subject to the Variation Procedure.

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

**3. Security Standards**

- 3.1 The Supplier acknowledges that the Buyer places great emphasis on the reliability of the performance of the Deliverables, confidentiality, integrity and availability of information and consequently on security.
- 3.2 The Supplier shall be responsible for the effective performance of its security obligations and shall at all times provide a level of security which:
- 3.2.1 is in accordance with the Law and this Contract;
  - 3.2.2 as a minimum demonstrates Good Industry Practice;
  - 3.2.3 meets any specific security threats of immediate relevance to the Deliverables and/or the Government Data; and
  - 3.2.4 where specified by the Buyer in accordance with paragraph 2.2 complies with the Security Policy and the ICT Policy.
- 3.3 The references to standards, guidance and policies contained or set out in Paragraph 3.2 shall be deemed to be references to such items as developed and updated and to any successor to or replacement for such standards, guidance and policies, as notified to the Supplier from time to time.
- 3.4 In the event of any inconsistency in the provisions of the above standards, guidance and policies, the Supplier should notify the Buyer's Representative of such inconsistency immediately upon becoming aware of the same, and the Buyer's Representative shall, as soon as practicable, advise the Supplier which provision the Supplier shall be required to comply with.

**4. Security Management Plan****4.1 Introduction**

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

**4.2 Content of the Security Management Plan**

- 4.2.1 The Security Management Plan shall:
- a) comply with the principles of security set out in Paragraph 3 and any other provisions of this Contract relevant to security;
  - b) identify the necessary delegated organisational roles for those responsible for ensuring it is complied with by the Supplier;
  - c) detail the process for managing any security risks from Subcontractors and third parties authorised by the Buyer with access to the Deliverables, processes associated with the provision of the Deliverables, the Buyer Premises, the Sites and any ICT, Information and data (including the Buyer's Confidential Information and the Government Data) and any system that could directly or indirectly have an impact on that Information, data and/or the Deliverables;

- d) be developed to protect all aspects of the Deliverables and all processes associated with the provision of the Deliverables, including the Buyer Premises, the Sites, and any ICT, Information and data (including the Buyer's Confidential Information and the Government Data) to the extent used by the Buyer or the Supplier in connection with this Contract or in connection with any system that could directly or indirectly have an impact on that Information, data and/or the Deliverables;
- e) set out the security measures to be implemented and maintained by the Supplier in relation to all aspects of the Deliverables and all processes associated with the provision of the Goods and/or Services and shall at all times comply with and specify security measures and procedures which are sufficient to ensure that the Deliverables comply with the provisions of this Contract;
- f) set out the plans for transitioning all security arrangements and responsibilities for the Supplier to meet the full obligations of the security requirements set out in this Contract and, where necessary in accordance with paragraph 2.2 the Security Policy; and
- g) be written in plain English in language which is readily comprehensible to the staff of the Supplier and the Buyer engaged in the provision of the Deliverables and shall only reference documents which are in the possession of the Parties or whose location is otherwise specified in this Schedule.

#### **4.3 Development of the Security Management Plan**

- 4.3.1 Within three (3) months after the Start Date and in accordance with Paragraph 4.4, the Supplier shall prepare and deliver to the Buyer for Approval a fully complete and up to date Security Management Plan which will be based on the draft Security Management Plan.
- 4.3.2 If the Security Management Plan submitted to the Buyer in accordance with Paragraph 4.3.1, or any subsequent revision to it in accordance with Paragraph 4.4, is Approved it will be adopted immediately and will replace the previous version of the Security Management Plan and thereafter operated and maintained in accordance with this Schedule. If the Security Management Plan is not Approved, the Supplier shall amend it within five (5) Working Days of a notice of non-approval from the Buyer and re-submit to the Buyer for Approval. The Parties will use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that the approval process takes as little time as possible and in any event no longer than ten (10) Working Days from the date of its first submission to the Buyer. If the Buyer does not approve the Security Management Plan following its resubmission, the matter will be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure.
- 4.3.3 The Buyer shall not unreasonably withhold or delay its decision to Approve or not the Security Management Plan pursuant to Paragraph 4.3.2. However a refusal by the Buyer to Approve the Security Management Plan on the grounds that it does not comply with the requirements set out in Paragraph 4.2 shall be deemed to be reasonable.
- 4.3.4 Approval by the Buyer of the Security Management Plan pursuant to Paragraph 4.3.2 or of any change to the Security Management Plan in accordance with Paragraph 4.4 shall not relieve the Supplier of its obligations under this Schedule.

#### 4.4 Amendment of the Security Management Plan

4.4.1 The Security Management Plan shall be fully reviewed and updated by the Supplier at least annually to reflect:

- a) emerging changes in Good Industry Practice;
- b) any change or proposed change to the Deliverables and/or associated processes;
- c) where necessary in accordance with paragraph 2.2, any change to the Security Policy;
- d) any new perceived or changed security threats; and
- e) any reasonable change in requirements requested by the Buyer.

4.4.2 The Supplier shall provide the Buyer with the results of such reviews as soon as reasonably practicable after their completion and amendment of the Security Management Plan at no additional cost to the Buyer. The results of the review shall include, without limitation:

- a) suggested improvements to the effectiveness of the Security Management Plan;
- b) updates to the risk assessments; and
- c) suggested improvements in measuring the effectiveness of controls.

4.4.3 Subject to Paragraph 4.4.4, any change or amendment which the Supplier proposes to make to the Security Management Plan (as a result of a review carried out in accordance with Paragraph 4.4.1, a request by the Buyer or otherwise) shall be subject to the Variation Procedure.

4.4.4 The Buyer may, acting reasonably, Approve and require changes or amendments to the Security Management Plan to be implemented on timescales faster than set out in the Variation Procedure but, without prejudice to their effectiveness, all such changes and amendments shall thereafter be subject to the Variation Procedure for the purposes of formalising and documenting the relevant change or amendment.

#### 5. Security breach

5.1 Either Party shall notify the other in accordance with the agreed security incident management process (as detailed in the Security Management Plan) upon becoming aware of any Breach of Security or any potential or attempted Breach of Security.

5.2 Without prejudice to the security incident management process, upon becoming aware of any of the circumstances referred to in Paragraph 5.1, the Supplier shall:

5.2.1 immediately take all reasonable steps (which shall include any action or changes reasonably required by the Buyer) necessary to:

- a) minimise the extent of actual or potential harm caused by any Breach of Security;
- b) remedy such Breach of Security to the extent possible and protect the integrity of the Buyer and the provision of the Goods and/or Services to the extent within its control against any such Breach of Security or attempted Breach of Security;
- c) prevent an equivalent breach in the future exploiting the same cause failure; and

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- d) as soon as reasonably practicable provide to the Buyer, where the Buyer so requests, full details (using the reporting mechanism defined by the Security Management Plan) of the Breach of Security or attempted Breach of Security, including a cause analysis where required by the Buyer.

5.3 In the event that any action is taken in response to a Breach of Security or potential or attempted Breach of Security that demonstrates non-compliance of the Security Management Plan with the Security Policy (where relevant in accordance with paragraph 2.2) or the requirements of this Schedule, then any required change to the Security Management Plan shall be at no cost to the Buyer.

## Call-Off Schedule 10 (Exit Management)

### 1. Definitions

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

<b>"Exclusive Assets"</b>	1 Supplier Assets used exclusively by the Supplier or a Key Subcontractor in the provision of the Deliverables;
<b>"Exit Information"</b>	2 has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 3.1 of this Schedule;
<b>"Exit Manager"</b>	3 the person appointed by each Party to manage their respective obligations under this Schedule;
<b>"Exit Plan"</b>	4 the plan produced and updated by the Supplier during the Initial Period in accordance with Paragraph 4 of this Schedule;
<b>"Net Book Value"</b>	5 the current net book value of the relevant Supplier Asset(s) calculated in accordance with the Framework Tender or Call-Off Tender (if stated) or (if not stated) the depreciation policy of the Supplier (which the Supplier shall ensure is in accordance with Good Industry Practice);
<b>"Non-Exclusive Assets"</b>	6 those Supplier Assets used by the Supplier or a Key Subcontractor in connection with the Deliverables but which are also used by the Supplier or Key Subcontractor for other purposes;
<b>"Registers"</b>	7 the register and configuration database referred to in Paragraph 2.2 of this Schedule;
<b>"Replacement Goods"</b>	8 any goods which are substantially similar to any of the Goods and which the Buyer receives in substitution for any of the Goods following the End Date, whether those goods are provided by the Buyer internally and/or by any third party;
<b>"Replacement Services"</b>	9 any services which are substantially similar to any of the Services and which the Buyer receives in substitution for any of the Services following the End Date, whether those goods are provided by the Buyer internally and/or by any third party;

<b>"Termination Assistance"</b>	10 the activities to be performed by the Supplier pursuant to the Exit Plan, and other assistance required by the Buyer pursuant to the Termination Assistance Notice;
<b>"Termination Assistance Notice"</b>	11 has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 5.1 of this Schedule;
<b>"Termination Assistance Period"</b>	12 the period specified in a Termination Assistance Notice for which the Supplier is required to provide the Termination Assistance as such period may be extended pursuant to Paragraph 5.2 of this Schedule;
<b>"Transferable Assets"</b>	13 Exclusive Assets which are capable of legal transfer to the Buyer;
<b>"Transferable Contracts"</b>	14 Sub-Contracts, licences for Supplier's Software, licences for Third Party Software or other agreements which are necessary to enable the Buyer or any Replacement Supplier to provide the Deliverables or the Replacement Goods and/or Replacement Services, including in relation to licences all relevant Documentation;
<b>"Transferring Assets"</b>	15 has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 8.2.1 of this Schedule;
<b>"Transferring Contracts"</b>	16 has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 8.2.3 of this Schedule.

## **2. Supplier must always be prepared for contract exit**

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2.2 During the Contract Period, the Supplier shall promptly:

2.2.1 create and maintain a detailed register of all Supplier Assets (including description, condition, location and details of ownership and status as either Exclusive Assets or Non-Exclusive Assets and Net Book Value) and Sub-contracts and other relevant agreements required in connection with the Deliverables; and

2.2.2 create and maintain a configuration database detailing the technical infrastructure and operating procedures through which the Supplier provides the Deliverables

("Registers").

2.3 The Supplier shall:

2.3.1 ensure that all Exclusive Assets listed in the Registers are clearly physically identified as such; and



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- 2.3.2 procure that all licences for Third Party Software and all Sub-Contracts shall be assignable and/or capable of novation (at no cost or restriction to the Buyer) at the request of the Buyer to the Buyer (and/or its nominee) and/or any Replacement Supplier upon the Supplier ceasing to provide the Deliverables (or part of them) and if the Supplier is unable to do so then the Supplier shall promptly notify the Buyer and the Buyer may require the Supplier to procure an alternative Subcontractor or provider of Deliverables.
- 2.4 Each Party shall appoint an Exit Manager within three (3) Months of the Start Date. The Parties' Exit Managers will liaise with one another in relation to all issues relevant to the expiry or termination of this Contract.

**3. Assisting re-competition for Deliverables**

- 3.1 The Supplier shall, on reasonable notice, provide to the Buyer and/or its potential Replacement Suppliers (subject to the potential Replacement Suppliers entering into reasonable written confidentiality undertakings), such information (including any access) as the Buyer shall reasonably require in order to facilitate the preparation by the Buyer of any invitation to tender and/or to facilitate any potential Replacement Suppliers undertaking due diligence (the "**Exit Information**").
- 3.2 The Supplier acknowledges that the Buyer may disclose the Supplier's Confidential Information (excluding the Supplier's or its Subcontractors' prices or costs) to an actual or prospective Replacement Supplier to the extent that such disclosure is necessary in connection with such engagement.
- 3.3 The Supplier shall provide complete updates of the Exit Information on an as-requested basis as soon as reasonably practicable and notify the Buyer within five (5) Working Days of any material change to the Exit Information which may adversely impact upon the provision of any Deliverables (and shall consult the Buyer in relation to any such changes).
- 3.4 The Exit Information shall be accurate and complete in all material respects and shall be sufficient to enable a third party to prepare an informed offer for those Deliverables; and not be disadvantaged in any procurement process compared to the Supplier.

**4. Exit Plan**

- 4.1 The Supplier shall, within three (3) Months after the Start Date, deliver to the Buyer an Exit Plan which complies with the requirements set out in Paragraph 4.3 of this Schedule and is otherwise reasonably satisfactory to the Buyer.
- 4.2 The Parties shall use reasonable endeavours to agree the contents of the Exit Plan. If the Parties are unable to agree the contents of the Exit Plan within twenty (20) Working Days of the latest date for its submission pursuant to Paragraph 4.1, then such Dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure.
- 4.3 The Exit Plan shall set out, as a minimum:

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- 4.3.1 a detailed description of both the transfer and cessation processes, including a timetable;
- 4.3.2 how the Deliverables will transfer to the Replacement Supplier and/or the Buyer;
- 4.3.3 details of any contracts which will be available for transfer to the Buyer and/or the Replacement Supplier upon the Expiry Date together with any reasonable costs required to effect such transfer;
- 4.3.4 proposals for the training of key members of the Replacement Supplier's staff in connection with the continuation of the provision of the Deliverables following the Expiry Date;
- 4.3.5 proposals for providing the Buyer or a Replacement Supplier copies of all documentation relating to the use and operation of the Deliverables and required for their continued use;
- 4.3.6 proposals for the assignment or novation of all services utilised by the Supplier in connection with the supply of the Deliverables;
- 4.3.7 proposals for the identification and return of all Buyer Property in the possession of and/or control of the Supplier or any third party;
- 4.3.8 proposals for the disposal of any redundant Deliverables and materials;
- 4.3.9 how the Supplier will ensure that there is no disruption to or degradation of the Deliverables during the Termination Assistance Period; and
- 4.3.10 any other information or assistance reasonably required by the Buyer or a Replacement Supplier.

4.4 The Supplier shall:

- 4.4.1 maintain and update the Exit Plan (and risk management plan) no less frequently than:
  - (a) every twelve (12) months throughout the Contract Period; and
  - (b) no later than twenty (20) Working Days after a request from the Buyer for an up-to-date copy of the Exit Plan;
  - (c) as soon as reasonably possible following a Termination Assistance Notice, and in any event no later than ten (10) Working Days after the date of the Termination Assistance Notice;
  - (d) as soon as reasonably possible following, and in any event no later than twenty (20) Working Days following, any material change to the Deliverables (including all changes under the Variation Procedure); and
- 4.4.2 jointly review and verify the Exit Plan if required by the Buyer and promptly correct any identified failures.

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4.5 Only if (by notification to the Supplier in writing) the Buyer agrees with a draft Exit Plan provided by the Supplier under Paragraph 4.2 or 4.4 (as the context requires), shall that draft become the Exit Plan for this Contract.

4.6 A version of an Exit Plan agreed between the parties shall not be superseded by any draft submitted by the Supplier.

**5. Termination Assistance**

5.1 The Buyer shall be entitled to require the provision of Termination Assistance at any time during the Contract Period by giving written notice to the Supplier (a **"Termination Assistance Notice"**) at least four (4) Months prior to the Expiry Date or as soon as reasonably practicable (but in any event, not later than one (1) Month) following the service by either Party of a Termination Notice. The Termination Assistance Notice shall specify:

5.1.1 the nature of the Termination Assistance required; and

5.1.2 the start date and initial period during which it is anticipated that Termination Assistance will be required, which shall continue no longer than twelve (12) Months after the End Date.

5.2 The Buyer shall have an option to extend the Termination Assistance Period beyond the initial period specified in the Termination Assistance Notice in one or more extensions, in each case provided that:

5.2.1 no such extension shall extend the Termination Assistance Period beyond the date twelve (12) Months after the End Date; and

5.2.2 the Buyer shall notify the Supplier of any such extension no later than twenty (20) Working Days prior to the date on which the Termination Assistance Period is otherwise due to expire.

5.3 The Buyer shall have the right to terminate its requirement for Termination Assistance by serving not less than (20) Working Days' written notice upon the Supplier.

5.4 In the event that Termination Assistance is required by the Buyer but at the relevant time the parties are still agreeing an update to the Exit Plan pursuant to Paragraph 4, the Supplier will provide the Termination Assistance in good faith and in accordance with the principles in this Schedule and the last Buyer approved version of the Exit Plan (insofar as it still applies).

**6. Termination Assistance Period**

6.1 Throughout the Termination Assistance Period the Supplier shall:

6.1.1 continue to provide the Deliverables (as applicable) and otherwise perform its obligations under this Contract and, if required by the Buyer, provide the Termination Assistance;

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- 6.1.2 provide to the Buyer and/or its Replacement Supplier any reasonable assistance and/or access requested by the Buyer and/or its Replacement Supplier including assistance and/or access to facilitate the orderly transfer of responsibility for and conduct of the Deliverables to the Buyer and/or its Replacement Supplier;
  - 6.1.3 use all reasonable endeavours to reallocate resources to provide such assistance without additional costs to the Buyer;
  - 6.1.4 subject to Paragraph 6.3, provide the Deliverables and the Termination Assistance at no detriment to the Performance Indicators (PI's) or Service Levels, the provision of the Management Information or any other reports nor to any other of the Supplier's obligations under this Contract;
  - 6.1.5 at the Buyer's request and on reasonable notice, deliver up-to-date Registers to the Buyer;
  - 6.1.6 seek the Buyer's prior written consent to access any Buyer Premises from which the de-installation or removal of Supplier Assets is required.
- 6.2 If it is not possible for the Supplier to reallocate resources to provide such assistance as is referred to in Paragraph 6.1.2 without additional costs to the Buyer, any additional costs incurred by the Supplier in providing such reasonable assistance shall be subject to the Variation Procedure.
- 6.3 If the Supplier demonstrates to the Buyer's reasonable satisfaction that the provision of the Termination Assistance will have a material, unavoidable adverse effect on the Supplier's ability to meet one or more particular Service Levels, the Parties shall vary the relevant Service Levels and/or the applicable Service Credits accordingly.

**7. Obligations when the contract is terminated**

- 7.1 The Supplier shall comply with all of its obligations contained in the Exit Plan.
- 7.2 Upon termination or expiry or at the end of the Termination Assistance Period (or earlier if this does not adversely affect the Supplier's performance of the Deliverables and the Termination Assistance), the Supplier shall:
  - 7.2.1 vacate any Buyer Premises;
  - 7.2.2 remove the Supplier Equipment together with any other materials used by the Supplier to supply the Deliverables and shall leave the Sites in a clean, safe and tidy condition. The Supplier is solely responsible for making good any damage to the Sites or any objects contained thereon, other than fair wear and tear, which is caused by the Supplier;
  - 7.2.3 provide access during normal working hours to the Buyer and/or the Replacement Supplier for up to twelve (12) Months after expiry or termination to:
    - (a) such information relating to the Deliverables as remains in the possession or control of the Supplier; and

- (b) such members of the Supplier Staff as have been involved in the design, development and provision of the Deliverables and who are still employed by the Supplier, provided that the Buyer and/or the Replacement Supplier shall pay the reasonable costs of the Supplier actually incurred in responding to such requests for access.

7.3 Except where this Contract provides otherwise, all licences, leases and authorisations granted by the Buyer to the Supplier in relation to the Deliverables shall be terminated with effect from the end of the Termination Assistance Period.

## 8. Assets, Sub-contracts and Software

8.1 Following notice of termination of this Contract and during the Termination Assistance Period, the Supplier shall not, without the Buyer's prior written consent:

- 8.1.1 terminate, enter into or vary any Sub-contract or licence for any software in connection with the Deliverables; or
- 8.1.2 (subject to normal maintenance requirements) make material modifications to, or dispose of, any existing Supplier Assets or acquire any new Supplier Assets.

8.2 Within twenty (20) Working Days of receipt of the up-to-date Registers provided by the Supplier, the Buyer shall notify the Supplier setting out:

- 8.2.1 which, if any, of the Transferable Assets the Buyer requires to be transferred to the Buyer and/or the Replacement Supplier ("**Transferring Assets**");
- 8.2.2 which, if any, of:
  - (a) the Exclusive Assets that are not Transferable Assets; and
  - (b) the Non-Exclusive Assets,

the Buyer and/or the Replacement Supplier requires the continued use of; and

- 8.2.3 which, if any, of Transferable Contracts the Buyer requires to be assigned or novated to the Buyer and/or the Replacement Supplier (the "**Transferring Contracts**"),

in order for the Buyer and/or its Replacement Supplier to provide the Deliverables from the expiry of the Termination Assistance Period. The Supplier shall provide all reasonable assistance required by the Buyer and/or its Replacement Supplier to enable it to determine which Transferable Assets and Transferable Contracts are required to provide the Deliverables or the Replacement Goods and/or Replacement Services.

8.3 With effect from the expiry of the Termination Assistance Period, the Supplier shall sell the Transferring Assets to the Buyer and/or the Replacement Supplier for their Net Book Value less any amount already paid for them through the Charges.

8.4 Risk in the Transferring Assets shall pass to the Buyer or the Replacement Supplier (as appropriate) at the end of the Termination Assistance Period and title shall pass on payment for them.

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8.5 Where the Buyer and/or the Replacement Supplier requires continued use of any Exclusive Assets that are not Transferable Assets or any Non-Exclusive Assets, the Supplier shall as soon as reasonably practicable:

- 8.5.1 procure a non-exclusive, perpetual, royalty-free licence for the Buyer and/or the Replacement Supplier to use such assets (with a right of sub-licence or assignment on the same terms); or failing which
- 8.5.2 procure a suitable alternative to such assets, the Buyer or the Replacement Supplier to bear the reasonable proven costs of procuring the same.

8.6 The Supplier shall as soon as reasonably practicable assign or procure the novation of the Transferring Contracts to the Buyer and/or the Replacement Supplier. The Supplier shall execute such documents and provide such other assistance as the Buyer reasonably requires to effect this novation or assignment.

8.7 The Buyer shall:

- 8.7.1 accept assignments from the Supplier or join with the Supplier in procuring a novation of each Transferring Contract; and
- 8.7.2 once a Transferring Contract is novated or assigned to the Buyer and/or the Replacement Supplier, discharge all the obligations and liabilities created by or arising under that Transferring Contract and exercise its rights arising under that Transferring Contract, or as applicable, procure that the Replacement Supplier does the same.

8.8 The Supplier shall hold any Transferring Contracts on trust for the Buyer until the transfer of the relevant Transferring Contract to the Buyer and/or the Replacement Supplier has taken place.

- 8.9 The Supplier shall indemnify the Buyer (and/or the Replacement Supplier, as applicable) against each loss, liability and cost arising out of any claims made by a counterparty to a Transferring Contract which is assigned or novated to the Buyer (and/or Replacement Supplier) pursuant to Paragraph 8.6 in relation to any matters arising prior to the date of assignment or novation of such Transferring Contract. Clause 19 (Other people's rights in this contract) shall not apply to this Paragraph 8.9 which is intended to be enforceable by Third Parties Beneficiaries by virtue of the CRTPA.

## **9. No charges**

9.1 Unless otherwise stated, the Buyer shall not be obliged to pay for costs incurred by the Supplier in relation to its compliance with this Schedule.

## **10. Dividing the bills**

10.1 All outgoings, expenses, rents, royalties and other periodical payments receivable in respect of the Transferring Assets and Transferring Contracts shall be apportioned between the Buyer and/or the Replacement and the Supplier as follows:

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- 10.1.1 the amounts shall be annualised and divided by 365 to reach a daily rate;
- 10.1.2 the Buyer or Replacement Supplier (as applicable) shall be responsible for or entitled to (as the case may be) that part of the value of the invoice pro rata to the number of complete days following the transfer, multiplied by the daily rate; and
- 10.1.3 the Supplier shall be responsible for or entitled to (as the case may be) the rest of the invoice.

## Call-Off Schedule 12 (Clustering)

### 1. When you should use this Schedule

- 1.1 This Schedule is required where various Other Contracting Authorities want to join with the Buyer to efficiently contract collectively under a single Call Off Contract rather than as separate individual Buyers under separate Call Off Contracts.

### 2. Definitions

- 2.1 **"Cluster Members"** means a person named as such in the Annex A to this Schedule which shall be incorporated into the Order Form.

### 3. Cluster Members benefits under the Contract

- 3.1 The Buyer has entered into this Call-Off Contract both for its own benefit and for the benefit the Cluster Members.
- 3.2 The Cluster Members who are to benefit under the Call-Off Contract are identified Annex 1 to this Schedule which shall be included into Order Form.
- 3.3 Cluster Members shall have all of the rights granted to the Buyer under a Call-Off Contract. Accordingly, where the context requires in order to assure the Cluster Members rights and benefits under a Call-Off Contract, and unless the Buyer otherwise specifies, references to the Buyer in a Call-Off Contract (including those references to a Party which are intended to relate to the Buyer) shall be deemed to include a reference to the Cluster Members.
- 3.4 Each of the Cluster Members will be a third party beneficiary for the purposes of the CRTPA and may enforce the relevant provisions of a Call-Off Contract pursuant to CRTPA.
- 3.5 The Parties to a Call-Off Contract may in accordance with its provisions vary, terminate or rescind that Call-Off Contract or any part of it, without the consent of any Cluster Member.
- 3.6 The enforcement rights granted to Cluster Members under Paragraph 0 are subject to the following provisions:
- 3.6.1 the Buyer may enforce any provision of a Call-Off Contract on behalf of a Cluster Member;
- 3.6.2 any claim from a Cluster Member under the CRTPA to enforce a Call-Off Contract shall be brought by the Buyer if reasonably practicable for the Buyer and Cluster Member to do so; and
- 3.6.3 the Supplier's limits and exclusions of liability in the Call-Off Contract shall apply to any claim to enforce a Call-Off Contract made by the Buyer on behalf of a Cluster Member and to any claim to enforce a Call-Off Contract made by a Cluster Member acting on its own behalf.
- 3.7 Notwithstanding that Cluster Members shall each receive the same Services from the Supplier the following adjustments will apply in relation to how the Call-Off Contract will operate in relation to the Buyer and Cluster Members:
- 3.7.1 Services will be provided by the Supplier to each Cluster Member and Buyer separately;
- 3.7.2 the Supplier's obligation in regards to reporting will be owed to each Cluster Member and Buyer separately;



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- 3.7.3 the Buyer and Cluster Members shall be entitled to separate invoices in respect of the provision of Deliverables;
- 3.7.4 the separate invoices will correlate to the Deliverables provided to the respective Buyer and Cluster Members;
- 3.7.5 the Charges to be paid for the Deliverables shall be calculated on a per Cluster Member and Buyer basis and each Cluster Member and the Buyer shall be responsible for paying their respective Charges;
- 3.7.6 the Service Levels and corresponding Service Credits (here having the meaning given to it in Call-Off Schedule 14) will be calculated in respect of each Cluster Member and Buyer, and they will be reported and deducted against Charges due by each respective Cluster Member and Buyer; and
- 3.7.7 such further adjustments as the Buyer and each Cluster Member may notify to the Supplier from time to time.

## **Annex A – Cluster Members**

The Deliverables shall also be provided for the benefit of the following Cluster Members:

Name of Cluster Member	Services to be provided	Duration	Special Terms
Great British Energy  (being the company currently registered as Great British Energy Group Limited)	Those as detailed in Call off Schedule 20 (Call off Specification), if agreed by DESNZ, where no conflict of interest occurs and where budget allows	Contract Duration	N/A
DESNZ new Arms Length Body (name tbc)	Those as detailed in Call Off Schedule 20 (Call Off Specification), if agreed by DESNZ, where no conflict of interest occurs and where budget allows	Contract Duration	N/A

## Call-Off Schedule 14 (Service Levels)

### Definitions

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

<b>"Critical Service Level Failure"</b>	1 has the meaning given to it in the Order Form;
<b>"Service Credits"</b>	Not Used
<b>"Service Credit Cap"</b>	Not Used
<b>"Service Level Failure"</b>	4 means a failure to meet the Service Level Performance Measure in respect of a Service Level;
<b>"Service Level Performance Measure"</b>	5 shall be as set out against the relevant Service Level in the Annex to Part A of this Schedule; and
<b>"Service Level Threshold"</b>	6 shall be as set out against the relevant Service Level in the Annex to Part A of this Schedule.

### What happens if you don't meet the Service Levels

The Supplier shall at all times provide the Deliverables to meet or exceed the Service Level Performance Measure for each Service Level.

The Supplier acknowledges that any Service Level Failure shall entitle the Buyer to the rights set out in Part A of this Schedule.

The Supplier shall send Performance Monitoring Reports to the Buyer detailing the level of service which was achieved in accordance with the provisions of Part B (Performance Monitoring) of this Schedule.

Where applicable, a Service Credit shall be the Buyer's exclusive financial remedy for a Service Level Failure except where:

Not Used

the Service Level Failure:

exceeds the relevant Service Level Threshold;

has arisen due to a Prohibited Act or wilful Default by the Supplier;

results in the corruption or loss of any Government Data; and/or

results in the Buyer being required to make a compensation payment to one or more third parties; and/or

the Buyer is entitled to or does terminate this Contract pursuant to Clause 10.4 (CCS and Buyer Termination Rights).

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Not more than once in each Contract Year, the Buyer may, on giving the Supplier at least three (3) Months' notice, change the weighting of Service Level Performance Measure in respect of one or more Service Levels and the Supplier shall not be entitled to object to, or increase the Charges as a result of such changes, provided that:

the total number of Service Levels for which the weighting is to be changed does not exceed the number applicable as at the Start Date;

the principal purpose of the change is to reflect changes in the Buyer's business requirements and/or priorities or to reflect changing industry standards; and

Not Used.

**Critical Service Level Failure**

On the occurrence of a Critical Service Level Failure:

Not Used

the Buyer shall be entitled to withhold and retain as compensation a sum equal to any Charges which would otherwise have been due to the Supplier in respect of that Service Period ("**Compensation for Critical Service Level Failure**"),

provided that the operation of this paragraph **Error! Reference source not found.** shall be without prejudice to the right of the Buyer to terminate this Contract and/or to claim damages from the Supplier for material Default.

**Part A: Service Levels****Service Levels**

If the level of performance of the Supplier:

is likely to or fails to meet any Service Level Performance Measure; or

is likely to cause or causes a Critical Service Failure to occur,

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

1.2.1 require the Supplier to immediately take all remedial action that is reasonable to mitigate the impact on the Buyer and to rectify or prevent a Service Level Failure or Critical Service Level Failure from taking place or recurring;

1.2.2 instruct the Supplier to comply with the Rectification Plan Process;

1.2.3 Not Used

1.2.4 if a Critical Service Level Failure has occurred, exercise its right to Compensation for Critical Service Level Failure (including the right to terminate for material Default).

**Not Used**

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

KPI Number	Topic	What is Measured	Green Score	Amber Score	Red Score
1	Quality	The number of comments or versions of Draft Final Deliverable until a Final deliverable is accepted by the Authority. <sup>1</sup>	2 rounds of Draft report before a Final deliverable is agreed by the Authority	Final deliverable requires more than 2 round of Draft before Final deliverable is agreed	Final deliverable requires more than 3 rounds of Draft before Final version is agreed and initial Draft versions require, in the opinion of the Authority, significant Authority input and or questions to be resolved.
2	Timeliness	Deliverables are provided to the Authority in line with those dates in the ToR, or where changes are agreed with by the Authority	Deliverables are provided on the day expected, or a delay is caused by a genuinely unforeseeable event (not including staff leaving the organisation)	Deliverables are delayed by up to a week and caused by an issue which is within the control of the Contractor.	Deliverables are delayed by over a week which are caused by a reasonable, in the view of the Authority, foreseeable event which is within the control of the Contractor.
3	Accuracy	Deliverables are error free and there are inaccuracies in evidence, analysis and report text and formatting. Errors would include omissions, such as failing to identify, adequately assess or document material risks that any reasonably qualified and diligent professional would have identified and reported on. As these will not always be apparent until the passage of time,	The Final deliverable is error free in the view of the Authority through the life of the contract.	The Authority identifies minor (in the opinion of the Authority) errors in the Final or Draft deliverables, or where the Authority is made aware of errors in Draft versions.  The errors could become apparent through the passage of time.	The Authority identifies major (in the opinion of the Authority) errors in the Final or Draft deliverable, or where the Authority is made aware of errors in Final deliverables which results in an internal review determining the recommendations of the Final deliverable are in light of new evidence which could be reasonably obtained by the Contractor during delivery of the

<sup>1</sup> The Authority may choose to apply a scoring criteria to the deliverable to assist them accurately apply this or other KPIs.

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KPI Number	Topic	What is Measured	Green Score	Amber Score	Red Score
		the Authority reserves the right to amend a score of a KPI if the error transpires in subsequent years. This is without prejudice to any rights the Authority has under Tort law.			Requirement, be inappropriate.  The errors could become apparent through the passage of time.
4	Interpretability	Deliverables are presented in a way that recommendation are clear and unequivocal, with reasonable assumptions and caveats being clearly identified and minimised and where non legal professionals are able to understand the arguments detailed in the deliverables in order to make informed decisions.	Deliverables are worded clearly and from this, and engagement throughout their production, the Authority officers feel confident they understand the decision made and its justification.	The Authority officers are not satisfied that the Final deliverable fully addresses the question set in the LIT with partial ambiguity or where clarity is missing, or where there is ambiguity in the response.	Authority officers are not satisfied that the final deliverable addresses the question set in the LIT or where the response is deemed by Government Legal Department colleagues to be difficult to fully appreciate.
5	Social Value	Progress against commitments stated to meet MAC 3.3, (to be agreed during contract negotiation as per the successful supplier's Social Value response)			

There will be no Service credits applied to this Call Off Contract. Where Performance levels result in an amber or red score the following actions will be undertaken:

- 2.1. Supplier performance will be measured using contract Key Performance Indicators (KPI) The requirements of the Contract Terms and Conditions will apply throughout service delivery.

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- 2.2. KPIs will be used to align the Supplier's performance with the requirements of the buyer. Contract KPIs must be realistic and achievable, and also have to be met, in order to demonstrate that the service is being delivered to an adequate quality.
- 2.3. The Buyer will complete a KPI report for each Commission and will share this with the Supplier upon completion (i.e. final payment) of that Commission. To note this will exclude KPI 6.
- 2.4. Progress on KPI 6 will be reported quarterly and will be scored only annually.
- 2.5. KPIs are included in below. The Buyer reserves the right to seek to amend the KPI's detailed below or add any new KPI's throughout delivery should the Buyer or Supplier believes changes are required to improve the Services. Any changes to the KPI's will be by mutual agreement with the Supplier and be confirmed by way of a formal contract amendment. The Supplier may propose changes to KPIs also throughout delivery which would be considered by the Buyer, so long as the nature of the KPIs nor the risk profile of the Contract as a whole is not significantly changing.
- 2.6. The Buyer will compile all KPI assessments undertaken prior to the quarterly Contract meeting. The provisional results of this will be shared with the Supplier for comment, before a final set is agreed and signed off during the following quarterly Contract meeting.
- 2.7. Performance of each KPI will be recorded against a red, amber, green "score", as described below. These levels of performance are detailed in the table below.
- 2.8. Where KPI's have not been met (amber or red score) as a result of measures or activities outside of the Supplier's direct control, the Buyer may choose to disregard the KPI and corrective measures in that instance.
- 2.9. Where a Rectification Plan is required, the Supplier must consider the content of Joint Schedule 10 (Rectification Plan) for the content of the Rectification plan, however the final structure of this must be agreed between the Supplier and the Buyer.

## Part B: Performance Monitoring

### 3. Performance Monitoring and Performance Review

- 3.1 Within 20 working days of the Start Date the Supplier shall provide the Buyer with details of how the process in respect of the monitoring and reporting of Service Levels will operate between the Parties and the Parties will endeavour to agree such process as soon as reasonably possible.
- 3.2 The Supplier shall provide the Buyer with performance monitoring reports ("**Performance Monitoring Reports**") in accordance with the process and timescales agreed pursuant to paragraph **Error! Reference source not found.** of Part B of this Schedule which shall contain, as a minimum, the following information in respect of the relevant Service Period just ended:
- 3.2.1 for each Service Level, the actual performance achieved over the Service Level for the relevant Service Period;
  - 3.2.2 a summary of all failures to achieve Service Levels that occurred during that Service Period;
  - 3.2.3 details of any Critical Service Level Failures;
  - 3.2.4 for any repeat failures, actions taken to resolve the underlying cause and prevent recurrence;
  - 3.2.5 Not used; and
  - 3.2.6 such other details as the Buyer may reasonably require from time to time.
- 3.3 The Parties shall attend meetings to discuss Performance Monitoring Reports ("**Performance Review Meetings**") on a three Month (quarterly) basis. The Performance Review Meetings will be the forum for the review by the Supplier and the Buyer of the Performance Monitoring Reports. The Performance Review Meetings shall:
- 3.3.1 take place within one (1) week, unless agreed by both Parties, of the Performance Monitoring Reports being issued by the Supplier at such location and time (within normal business hours) as the Buyer shall reasonably require;
  - 3.3.2 be attended by the Supplier's Representative and the Buyer's Representative; and
  - 3.3.3 be fully minuted by the Supplier and the minutes will be circulated by the Supplier to all attendees at the relevant meeting and also to the Buyer's Representative and any other recipients agreed at the relevant meeting.
- 3.4 The minutes of the preceding Month's Performance Review Meeting will be agreed and signed by both the Supplier's Representative and the Buyer's Representative at each meeting.
- 3.5 The Supplier shall provide to the Buyer such documentation as the Buyer may reasonably require in order to verify the level of the performance by the Supplier and the calculations of the amount of Service Credits for any specified Service Period.

### 4. Satisfaction Surveys

- 4.1 The Buyer may undertake satisfaction surveys in respect of the Supplier's provision of the Deliverables. The Buyer shall be entitled to notify the Supplier



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

## Call-Off Schedule 15 (Call-Off Contract Management)

### 1. DEFINITIONS

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

**"Operational Board"** the board established in accordance with paragraph 4.1 of this Schedule;

**"Project Manager"** the manager appointed in accordance with paragraph 2.1 of this Schedule;

### 2. PROJECT MANAGEMENT

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

### 3. Role of the Supplier Contract Manager

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

### 4. ROLE OF THE OPERATIONAL BOARD

- 4.1 The Operational Board shall be established by the Buyer for the purposes of this Contract on which the Supplier and the Buyer shall be represented.

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

**5. Contract Risk Management**

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

**Annex: Contract Boards**

See Call-Off Schedule 20 (Call-Off Specification). This may be amended following kick off meeting with the Supplier and will be agreed between the Buyer and the Supplier accordingly.

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

## SPECIFICATION

### 1. Aims and Objectives

- 1.1. The main aim of this requirement is to appoint a service provider to deliver legal advice to the Department for Energy Security & Net Zero on setting up arm's length bodies for DESNZ for, but not limited to, the development, delivery and support of a new publicly owned energy company, Great British Energy (GBE), a Programme being initiated by the Buyer, DESNZ.
- 1.2. In the short to medium term, whilst the GBE company is becoming established, the Buyer expects it may be necessary to enter into certain arrangements on behalf of GBE, such as provision of technical services and/or due diligence assessments.
- 1.3. The specific requirements will be driven by the needs of a variety of teams within DESNZ however, the Buyer anticipates the support to be on matters of corporate (including subsidy control) and commercial law where internally the Buyer either does not have the required specialist legal expertise or does not have sufficient capacity through Government Legal Department colleagues. As such this contract is to complement legal advice currently obtained through the Government Legal Department and not replace. Further details are provided at paragraph 3 below.
- 1.4. In addition, the Buyer may wish to use the Supplier to provide advice on, and in support of, a further new arm's length body, in support of the Department's missions. It is anticipated that the advice required will be of the nature set out at paragraphs 3.1 and 3.2 below.

### 2. Background on Great British Energy Programme

- 2.1 Great British Energy Group Limited – which will on passing of the GBE Bill be designated by the Secretary of State as “Great British Energy” - is a company registered in Scotland, with the Secretary of State for the Department for Energy Security & Net Zero (DESNZ) being the sole shareholder, thus making GBE an arm's length body of DESNZ.
- 2.2 GBE will be a publicly owned clean energy company. It will own, manage and operate clean energy projects across the country. It will do this through its own initiatives but also through partnering and working collaboratively with industry, local authorities and communities and other public sector organisations, to spread skilled jobs and investment across the country.

### **3. Technical areas of likely support required in this Contract**

- 3.1. Legal advice to the Buyer on issues arising from the establishment and sponsorship of GBE and potential subsidiaries, including competition law (including subsidy control), corporate law, procurement, intellectual property, public law (including devolution), data and information sharing and other incidental legal issues arising from the above.
- 3.2. Legal advice to the Buyer where DESNZ is acting on behalf of or in support of GBE, including advising on:
  - 3.2.1. Grant schemes and payments, including drafting and advising on grant agreements.
  - 3.2.2. Non-complex investment decisions.
  - 3.2.3. Corporate law and potential partnership arrangements.
  - 3.2.4. Contracts.
  - 3.2.5. Procurement.
  - 3.2.6. Property law, planning, and associated environmental law.
  - 3.2.7. Energy law.
  - 3.2.8. Competition law (including subsidy control), intellectual property, public law (including devolution), data and information sharing and other [incidental] legal issues arising from the above.
- 3.3. Legal advice to the Buyer on managing the transition from the set-up phase, where GBE staff may be in-house within DESNZ, to GBE as a fully operational and independent company.
- 3.4. As GBE is headquartered in Scotland and operates across the UK, advice on the matters above under Scottish law.
- 3.5. The Supplier is required to remain aware of the public law context and through horizon scanning, bring any emerging issues to the prompt attention of the Buyer which they consider may apply to the Buyer and the setting up of GBE as detailed in paragraph 2 above. We would expect these updates to occur ad hoc but also brought to the Buyer's attention in quarterly meetings.

### **4. Commission Management**

4.1. The Contract will be managed by the Buyer's Contract Manager in the Set-up Team through whom all Legal Commissions will be placed; however, the drafting of the Legal Commissioning Form (LCF) see Annex C for template, will come from individual project leads i.e. drafting clear instructions and providing the relevant background documentation including any necessary support from the Government Legal Department. The Buyer's Contract Manager will seek to manage commissions and timelines in order to avoid creating conflicting resource requests for the Supplier, however there may be instances of multiple commissions being required at any given time.

4.2. As such when a potential legal commission is identified the following process will be followed:

4.2.1. Buyer Contract Manager (or deputy) receives request in the format of an initial draft of a Legal Commission Form (LCF) for legal advice from member of the Buyer Project Team. The requirement for advice will be defined on a commission-by-commission basis. The draft LCF will detail the advice which is required (often with specific questions to be answered by the Supplier) and how the advice should be delivered. Refer 4.4 for examples of deliverables.

4.2.2. Contract Manager reaches out to Supplier via email seeking to arrange a kick off telephone call with Supplier representative and includes the draft LCF. This kick-off call is required in order to assist the Buyer to clearly define the task requirements and identify the limitation of scope to the Supplier. This telephone call may include not only the Buyer Contract Manager and the Project Team but also other stakeholders e.g. Buyer's Commercial or Government Legal Department.

The telephone call should occur as soon as practical, diaries dependent, but no more than 5 working days following this initial communication and last no longer than an hour in duration. In this initial request the draft LCF will identify the topic area which the advice is required on to inform the Supplier prior to the meeting and to ensure any persons with specialist knowledge can attend the call also from the Supplier's team.

4.2.3. Kick off telephone conversation occurs, chaired, where possible, by the Buyer's Contract Manager. This call will be used to discuss the nature of the legal advice required and for the Supplier to assist the Buyer in defining their requirement and setting expectations on the form of the deliverable. It may also include discussion on the scope of the request.

It should be noted that in some situations, legal advice could be sought, provided and the issue resolved in this initial telephone call. Should this happen, no fee is payable by the Buyer.

- 4.2.4. Following this meeting, the Buyer Project Team will update as necessary the initial draft LCF with information obtained during the telephone call and any additional internal request i.e. detail of the requirement, the question to be asked and the nature of the deliverable and proposed timeline for response. This will be reviewed by the Buyer Contract Manager who will send the form to the Supplier.
- 4.2.5. The Supplier will review the approved LCF and confirm or suggest any alternative timeline for Buyer consideration as well as review the deliverable and price. This should be a maximum price based on time and expenses from provided day rates. This should be returned to the Buyer within 2 working days.
- 4.2.6. The Buyer will review the LCF and formally approve the Commission to commence, via email. The Buyer may choose to query the costs or timeline with the Supplier prior to acceptance. To note this may take a more formalised route requiring Supplier and Buyer signature to the LCF, to be decided upon between both parties.
- 4.2.7. The Supplier will then commence delivery of that commission. Draft deliverables, or indicative answers by identified dates within the LCF. Reporting and communication requirements with the Buyer Requester will also be identified in the LCF.
- 4.2.8. Once the final deliverable of that Commission is approved by the Buyer the Commission has ended however, note that there may be follow up actions or support at later dates based on that advice. The Supplier must track the time spent on this additional support, but the first £1,000 of value is expected to be at no charge to the Buyer. Where Support exceeds this amount, then a new or changes to the existing CF may be required.
- 4.3. To note that all activities undertaken by the Supplier up to point 4.2.7 above will be undertaken at the expense of the Supplier and no charge to the Buyer. The exception to this could be where step 4.2.8 requires a new commission and step 4.2.3 is considered part of the ongoing work rather than an initial call. Only once the Buyer has agreed the LCF and the Commission commences will the Supplier be permitted to charge the Buyer for work on that Commission.
- 4.4. Deliverables could include some or multiple of the below, but not limited to:
- 4.4.1. Provision of a paper, or email, providing legal advice which explains issues, risks and proposed solutions for an audience without a legal background
- 4.4.2. Legal advice in the form of comments within a document (including in response to comments within that document)
- 4.4.3. Provision of a paper, or email, providing legal advice which explains issues, risks and proposed solutions for an audience without a legal background

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- 4.4.4. Drafting or advising on legal documents, including templates which could be used by the Buyer and their Project Team
- 4.4.5. Providing training on a particular legal issue to Buyer staff, including members of the Government Legal Department.
- 4.4.6. Attendance at meetings with other stakeholders in order to support the Buyer Project Team.
- 4.5. Where requested, all deliverables are required to include clear legal advice in response to the question being asked in the commission, with justification as to how that answer was created, referring to the Government Legal Department Risk Matrix. Deliverables should, wherever possible, be complete and not require further investigation into other issues, unless the Supplier feels it is fundamentally necessary to do so.
- 4.6. It is important to note that the Buyer's staff requesting advice will unlikely have a legal background. In many cases, legal considerations and issues are one of many which require resolving on a project/programme and as such requestors are seeking short implementable solutions to their issues. As such, advice must be drafted to be suitable for an audience of limited legal knowledge. The advice should be a complete answer to the specific legal questions posed and unless otherwise agreed to any legal questions which the Supplier considers relevant, but which weren't expressly raised by the Requester. The Buyer will be relying on the Supplier's advice in order to assess and manage legal risk.
- 4.7. On some projects, the Supplier may need to work in conjunction with the Buyer's legal advisors, who are part of the Government Legal Department. The exact requirements for legal support and arrangements for providing this will be agreed on a commission-by-commission basis.
- 4.8. There may be a requirement for the Supplier to sub-contract a commission due to e.g. complexity. This will be agreed on a commission-by-commission basis.

**5. Supplier Skill and Knowledge set**

- 5.1. The Supplier will provide the mandatory specialisms in accordance with RM6179 Framework Schedule 1 Specification paragraph 6.5. For ease of reference copied as Annex A of this Specification.
- 5.2. If a Supplier identifies that they do not have adequate skills or knowledge in house to deliver a commission then they are permitted to sub-contract this element.
- 5.3. The Supplier will:
  - i. at all times, draft in a clear, modern and plain-English style



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- ii. if available, draft in accordance with government templates (e.g. Crown Commercial Service model terms and conditions)
- iii. at all times, ensure that any drafting complies with government commercial policy (e.g. Crown Commercial Service Procurement Policy Notices (PPNs) and government policy on IPR); and
- iv. if required, produce standard templates and supporting guidance to enable standardised documentation to be produced internally by the Buyer and Buyer officials to draw on the relevant advice throughout the duration of the project.

5.4. The Supplier must be able to provide advice and expertise clearly and succinctly. If this involves the issue of legal risk, the law firm(s) will be expected to:

- i. be flexible and pragmatic; for instance, by suggesting alternative options to achieve objectives and mitigate risk
- ii. be able to explain clearly the rationale for a particular approach, tailored to different audiences, for instance senior officials, Ministers and Buyer legal advisors; and
- iii. provide risk-based legal advice in accordance with the Government Legal Department guidance (Attorney General's Guidance on Legal Risk<sup>2</sup>).

5.5. The Buyer expects that the Supplier will work to agreed deadlines and be able to provide rapid support to the Buyer, at short notice, when necessary. The Buyer will endeavour to provide reasonable deadlines for the completion of tasks.

5.6. The Supplier will be required to balance use of an appropriate level of fee earner for a particular task with the need for some consistency in the lawyers involved in advising the Buyer so that the Buyer develops reliable points of contacts who understand it's business. The Buyer would encourage involvement of junior members of staff to work on more routine, lower risk commissions, but with suitable levels of quality assurance. This is in order to reduce costs as well as increase knowledge across the Supplier's project team, thereby increasing levels of contingency.

5.7. The Supplier will allocate each proposed project team member a Grade as defined by Framework Schedule 1 (Specification), paragraph 5.1.4. These descriptions are repeated within the Pricing Schedule.

## **6. Contract Management**

6.1. Service Commencement for this Contract is expected to begin 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025. The Contract will deliver Services for two years and is expected to end 31<sup>st</sup> March 2027. However, the Buyer reserves the right to review the Contract performance in 2026 and choose to end the Contract after one year, by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026 (this will be the Initial Call-Off Contract period). The Buyer's decision not to continue with the Contract into its second year may be due to changes in Buyer priorities and pipelines or evidenced poor performance from the Supplier. Any decision to proceed with ending

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<sup>2</sup> <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/attorney-generals-guidance-on-legal-risk>

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the Contract early will be made with mutual agreement with the Supplier. The Buyer will notify the Supplier at least three months prior to April 2026 if it intends to end the Contract early.

- 6.2. If there are active Commissions still being delivered by the Supplier at the point of the Contract ending, these are to continue to be delivered after the expiry of the Agreement under the same Terms and Conditions.
- 6.3. The Buyer reserves the right to procure similar services and not use this Agreement. Budget figures provided are indicative and the Buyer and reserves the right not to use all or part of the Services identified.
- 6.4. The Buyer will typically provide one or two rounds of comments on any Commission's final deliverables, (i.e. legal advice) to resolve any questions that may remain. The Buyer's Contract Manager and Requester must be engaged in the development of a response to the LCF, and it is expected that the Supplier must share a draft final deliverable prior to it being developed in full.
- 6.5. Quality assurance measures must be factored into workplan timelines. The Supplier must provide periodic updates on the progress of all commissioned deliverables (planned, completed and ongoing), via email, telephone or formal meetings, to the Buyer. If the Buyer considers that the quality of deliverables is unacceptable, it reserves the right to request additional drafts at the expense of the Supplier.
- 6.6. The Buyer and the Supplier will identify individuals in their organisations who will undertake the Buyer Project Manager and Supplier Project Manager in accordance with Call Off Schedule 7 (Key Supplier Staff) and Call Off Schedule 15 (Call-Off Contract Management). Key Roles and Key Staff are to be identified in the Tenderer's Tender submission Call-Off Schedule 4 (Call-Off Tender).
- 6.7. The Supplier will identify a core team of individuals who will act as the primary contact points for developing and delivering each Commission. Key Roles (and likely skills) rather than individuals are expected to be identified at the point of Tendering. The project team must ensure that it has the coverage of all those technical areas identified in Section 5 above and be able to source individuals to provide knowledge should a commission require knowledge from an area not identified above.
- 6.8. It is expected that Key Staff will remain in place for the duration of the Contract. Where a change of Key Personnel is required, the Supplier shall submit to the Buyer an identified replacement who must have a comparable skill set. Where a comparable skill set is not available, the Supplier shall identify mitigation measures to ensure that the skill set is not lost and there is no material change to the initial tender proposal, which will be included in the final agreed contract documentation. The Buyer reserves the right to reject proposed individuals if it does not consider this skill set replacement is not suitable and for the Supplier to identify another person for this role.
- 6.9. It is expected that when delivering a Commission (including activities for the kick-off meeting) the Supplier will be able to fully resource the proposed delivery. The

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Supplier must ensure that suitable mitigation measures for staff absence is considered when developing a LCF, for example named deputies for key roles.

6.10. The Supplier is not to expect payment for any Contract meetings with the Buyer.

6.11. The Supplier and Buyer will have quarterly meetings, which will be attended by the Buyer Project Manager and Supplier's Project Managers and others by request. Quarterly meetings will typically be virtual and will include provision of Performance Monitoring Reports, as defined in Call Off Schedule 14 (Service Levels), and may include but not limited to:

- Reporting on Performance KPIs.
- Issues faced in delivering Requirements.
- Horizon scanning on issues which could impact the Buyer
- Pipelines; and
- Risks to delivery.

As per Call Off Schedule 14 (Service Levels) this process, and the content of the meetings are to be agreed between the Buyer and the Supplier within 20 days of the Start Date.

6.12. This meeting may be conducted face to face at the Buyer's premises, however preference may be for virtual meetings to occur. This will form the Operational Board as defined in Call-Off Schedule 15 (Call-Off Contract Management) as well as Performance Review Meetings, as defined in Call Off Schedule 14 (Service Levels).

6.13. The fourth Quarterly meeting will be an Annual Contract Review. This will look at performance of all Commissions the previous year, pipelines and any issues in delivery identified.

6.14. Supplier's costs of Quarterly and Annual Contract Meetings will not be charged to the Buyer.

## **7. Ethics and safeguarding**

7.1. The Buyer expects the Supplier to adhere to the Buyer's Supplier Code of Conduct (Appendix B refers).

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7.2. The Buyer is expected to report within central government on the levels of contracted work being allocated to Small and Medium Enterprises (SME) and other sub-contracted organisations. It is a requirement to provide details regarding the levels of direct and indirect departmental SME spend with major Delivery Partners to the cross-government SME Small Business Policy team working on this initiative. The Buyer is also interested in gathering details of the organisations working within the supply chains of directly contracted partners. As part of the contractual compliance checking process, the Supplier is required to submit returns providing these details, as a minimum on an annual basis.

- 7.3. The Supplier is required to manage and monitor any modern slavery risks in creating its proposal for, and during, the delivery of services. Measures must be introduced to monitor and mitigate any modern slavery supply chain risks too. The Supplier must have a clear and unambiguous process for reporting and responding to suspected incidents of modern slavery that also accommodates its supply chain.

#### Duty of care

- 7.4. The Supplier will accept full responsibility for the duty of care of their personnel, their sub-Suppliers and any external specialists or partner organisations required to deliver requirements. The Supplier must have appropriate arrangements and procedures in place to ensure their safety and wellbeing and the Buyer may request detail of this process in order for its own security department to review if the processes are acceptable to the Buyer. Where processes are deemed not acceptable by the Buyer, the Buyer will work with the Supplier to agree a rectification plan.

## 8. Intellectual property rights

- 8.1. All outputs of this Contract will be considered project specific intellectual property (IP), unless otherwise agreed by the Buyer. As per paragraph 9.2 of the Framework Core Terms new IP will be assigned to the Buyer.

#### *Transfer of knowledge to the Buyer (Exit Management), business continuity and disaster recovery process*

- 8.2. The Supplier is required to set out how they will facilitate the effective transfer of knowledge to the Buyer at the end of the Contract (Exit Plan). This includes the use and provision of all data used for the services (subject to commercial confidentiality considerations) and the transfer of any documents (reports and templates) for continued use by the Buyer in any manner it chooses. The content of this Plan is to be in line with the requirements as detailed in Schedule 10 (Exit Management). The Buyer will liaise with the Supplier to agree a timeline for this plan, but a Draft version is expected to be produced within the first quarter from the Start Date and it is to be finalised in the last three months of the Agreement if the full duration is agreed.
- 8.3. As per Call off Schedule 8 (Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery) the Supplier will provide a draft Business Continuity and or Disaster Recovery Plan in the event of a known or unforeseeable event, for example COVID event. This plan is to be provided to the Buyer prior to the first quarterly meeting, with the intention for its approval in this meeting. Its contents are permitted to be high level but should follow those described in Call Off Schedule 8 (Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery) where relevant and proportionate.
- 8.4. In accordance with the GDPR table, any data produced by the Supplier will be either securely destroyed or transferred back to the Buyer at the end of the contract and stored by the Buyer. This is to be agreed following the commencement of each Requirement.

## 9. Invoicing

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- 9.1. The Commissioning Buyer will aim to process all payments as soon as possible, and within a maximum of 30 days from receipt of an undisputed and correctly submitted invoices, in line with the Call Off Contract Terms and Conditions.
- 9.2. The Supplier must pay any sub-Suppliers within 30 days of receiving a valid invoice. If this 30-day deadline is inconsistent with the Supplier's invoice to the Buyer (i.e. the invoice to the Buyer is greater than 30 days after receipt of a valid invoice from a sub-Supplier), and if the invoice is below £5,000 (including VAT) in total, the Supplier is expected to resolve this directly with the sub-Supplier. If the amount exceeds £5,000 (including VAT), and it could create issues in terms of the Supplier's own cash flow, the Supplier is permitted to invoice the Buyer ad hoc for any sub-Supplier payments outside of the agreed invoicing schedule. However, the Buyer expects the Supplier to limit these incidences as much as possible and as a minimum include reference to it in the LIT.
- 9.3. The Supplier must have management measures in place to avoid disputes on sub-Supplier invoices, which could impact the time for payments to issued.

**10. Performance Management**

- 10.1. Supplier performance will be measured using contract Key Performance Indicators (KPI). The requirements of the Contract Terms and Conditions will apply throughout service delivery. The information contained in this Schedule at Annex B of this Specification is replicated in Call-Off Schedule 14 (Service Levels).
- 10.2. KPIs will be used to align the Contractor's performance with the requirements of the Authority. Contract KPIs must be realistic and achievable, and also have to be met, in order to demonstrate that the service is being delivered to an adequate quality.
- 10.3. The Authority will complete a KPI report for each Commission and will share this with the Contractor upon completion (i.e. final payment) of that Commission.
- 10.4. KPIs are included in below. The Authority reserves the right to seek to amend the KPI's detailed below or add any new KPI's throughout delivery should the Authority or Contractor believes changes are required to improve the Services. Any changes to the KPI's will be by mutual agreement with the Contractor and be confirmed by way of a formal contract amendment. The Contractor may propose changes to KPIs also throughout delivery which would be considered by the Authority, so long as the nature of the KPIs nor the risk profile of the Contract as a whole is not significantly changing.
- 10.5. The Authority will compile all KPI assessments undertaken prior to the quarterly Contract meeting. The provisional results of this will be shared with the Contractor for comment, before a final set is agreed and signed off during the following quarterly Contract meeting.

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- 10.6. Performance of each KPI will be recorded against a red, amber, green "score", as described below. These levels of performance are detailed in the table below.
- 10.7. Where KPI's have not been met as a result of measures or activities outside of the Contractor's direct control, the Authority may choose to disregard the KPI and corrective measures in that instance.
- 10.8. Where a Rectification Plan is required, the Contractor must consider the content of Joint Schedule 10 (Rectification Plan) for the content of the Rectification plan, however the final structure of this must be agreed between the Contractor and the Authority.

**11. Costs and Pricing**

- 11.1. The Buyer has estimated the cost of the Contract. This Contract has a maximum contract value of up to £2,000,000 excluding VAT but including any applicable international taxes, which is the maximum value that can be awarded for this scope of work inclusive of expenses. It is noted that these figures are heavily caveated and are subject to the outcome of internal spending reviews.
- 11.2. The Buyer reserves the right to increase the Contract value by an additional sum in accordance with PCR 2015, if the demand for Services requires it within the Contract duration.
- 11.3. For the avoidance of doubt the Legal Services to be provided will accrue VAT.
- 11.4. The Buyer reserves the right to amend the Contract to increase the scope of activities required of the Supplier, so long as the maximum Contract value (including any extension) permits this and any additional activities meet the Aims and Objectives of the Contract as identified in Section 1 of this Specification. Contract amendments would be managed by a formal variation process and will be made with mutual agreement with the Supplier.
- 11.5. Expenses shall not be chargeable under this Contract, unless agreed by the Buyer in exceptional circumstances.
- 11.6. Following delivery to the Buyer of a final deliverable, noting after draft versions have been provided, the Buyer will decide if the final output is to its satisfaction. Payment can only be made following satisfactory delivery of the final deliverable. Once this has been determined, an invoice can be created by the Supplier on completion of work by the Buyer. Before payment can be considered, each invoice must include a detailed elemental breakdown of work completed and the associated costs against those quoted in the LCF. The Buyer will generate a purchase order number and invoices must quote this purchase order number and sent to the Buyer's project officer.

**12. Conflict of Interest and Confidentiality**

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- 12.1. There may be a time where conflict of interest occurs where the Supplier is unable to deliver the role, for example they may be delivering a project for the Buyer themselves. In this event, the Buyer reserves the right to undertake Commissions with another organisation noting the non-exclusivity clause stated above, or request that the Supplier sub-contracts this commission to another.
- 12.2. Where a Commission requires a Supplier to provide advise which will impact a third party, and where it is identified that there is a conflict of interest in providing information to the Supplier, the Buyer may reasonably request the Supplier to develop a conflict-of-interest mitigation solution, as part of their LCF, to ensure that information passed between parties is treated confidentially.
- 12.3. All information it receives from the party it is assessing as part of delivery of a Commission must be treated as commercially sensitive and the Supplier holds full responsibility for managing this information during delivery. Any failure to handle this information confidentially may be considered by the Buyer as a material breach of this Contract.

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Mandatory Specialisms for Lot 1 are as follows:

Mandatory Specialism No.	Service	Scope
1	<b>Competition law</b>	<p>All aspects of competition law, including but not limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. contentious and non-contentious advice and support in relation to domestic and international competition law, including retained EU law, cartels, abuse of a dominant market position, and merger control; and</li> <li>2. all aspects of subsidy control and legacy State aid.</li> </ol>
2	<b>Construction law</b>	All aspects of construction law, including but not limited to advice and support in relation to construction and infrastructure projects.
3	<b>Contracts</b>	<p>All aspects of contracts and contract law including commercial contracts and other commercial arrangements including but not limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. advising on drafting and negotiating agreements relating to commercial activities including supply of goods and services, outsourcing/contracting out of services, manufacturing, agency and distribution, concession contracts, shared services arrangements and joint ventures;</li> <li>2. supporting relationships including advising on rights and obligations, changes, termination/exit and transition between suppliers and advising on complex commercial/contractual reorganisations and restructuring including novations, assignments and changes in</li> </ol>



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		<p>ownership;</p> <p>3. advising on public infrastructure regulation relating to energy, water, transport and telecommunication industries necessary to support commercial transactions and/or arrangements; and</p> <p>4. advising on drafting and negotiating grant documents.</p>
4	<b>Corporate law</b>	<p>All aspects of corporate law, including but not limited to:</p> <p>1. company law;</p> <p>2. public and private company transactions (including mergers &amp; acquisitions and corporate finance);</p> <p>3. share acquisition, disposals, capitalisations;</p> <p>4. entity selection and formation of Government companies and Government joint ventures and venture capital advice;</p> <p>5. directors' duties;</p> <p>6. company secretarial services;</p> <p>7. operating and partnership agreements, mutual arrangements;</p> <p>8. securities and governance matters; and</p> <p>9. restructuring of ownership and complex and innovative legal structures and initiatives.</p>
5	<b>Dispute Resolution and Litigation</b>	<p>All aspects of dispute resolution and litigation including but not limited to:</p> <p>1. alternative dispute resolution, arbitration, mediation, contractual resolution procedures, advocacy and early advice on disputes; and</p> <p>2. civil litigation against and on behalf of Buyer(s)</p>
6	<b>Employment law</b>	<p>All aspects of employment law, including but not limited to:</p> <p>1. non-contentious employment matters relating to</p>

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		<p>TUPE, COSOP, redundancies, restructuring, outsourcing, changes in terms and conditions, and reorganisations; and</p> <p>2. contentious employment law, including dispute resolution and litigation.</p>
7	<b>Environmental law</b>	All aspects of environmental law, including but not limited to litigation, advisory and transactional support on environmental matters including due diligence, planning, inquiries and regulatory compliance.
8	<b>Information law including data protection law</b>	<p>All aspects of information law, including but not limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. the law surrounding the use and control of information by public and private sector bodies, including UK, EU and other international trading partner data protection legislation;</li> <li>2. international data transfers;</li> <li>3. data protection legislation and associated laws, data requests and complying with the principles of transparency; and</li> <li>4. Freedom of Information.</li> </ol>
9	<b>Information technology law</b>	<p>All aspects of information technology law, including but not limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. information technology and telecoms procurement and contracting;</li> <li>2. design, development, maintenance and support contracts;</li> <li>3. re-structuring of contracts and/or services;</li> <li>4. exit and migration/transition;</li> <li>5. hardware purchasing, software licensing, managed services, E-commerce, cloud-based services, convergent technologies and the internet; and</li> <li>6. all aspects of Cyber Security law and practice.</li> </ol>
10	<b>Intellectual property law</b>	All aspects of intellectual property law, including but not limited to:

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		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. contentious and non-contentious support and advice relating to patents, copyright, trademarks, trade secrets and rights in confidential information, database rights, design rights, and other forms of Intellectual Property Rights; and</li> <li>2. assignment and licensing of rights and commercialisation and exploitation of intellectual property.</li> </ol>
11	<b>Non complex finance and investment.</b>	<p>All aspects of non-complex finance matters including but not limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. advising on general banking matters (domestic and overseas, including loan agreements, guarantees and security arrangements), trade finance and financial litigation; and</li> <li>2. Advising on non-complex investment law and disputes</li> </ol>
12	<b>Outsourcing</b>	All aspects of outsourcing arrangements, including but not limited to first and subsequent generation outsourcing and insourcing (including information technology outsourcing and business process outsourcing).
13	<b>Partnership law</b>	All aspects of partnership law.
14	<b>Pensions law</b>	<p>All aspects of pensions law, including but not limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. private and public sector pension schemes;</li> </ol>
		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. the Civil Service Pension Scheme; and</li> <li>3. associated policies and guidance such as Fair Deal and New Fair Deal (or any replacements thereof).</li> </ol>

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15	<b>Planning law</b>	<p>All aspects of planning law including but not limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. planning strategy;</li> <li>2. development projects and schemes;</li> <li>3. applications for development, construction and change of use;</li> <li>4. compulsory purchase orders and s106 agreements; and</li> <li>5. planning/development inquiries and appeals.</li> </ol>
16	<b>Projects/PFI/PPP</b>	<p>Projects including but not limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) co-ordinated end-to-end legal services from any of the categories set out in this Paragraph 6.5 (Mandatory Specialisms);</li> <li>b) sector specialist advice (if provided) to support projects;</li> <li>c) PFI;</li> <li>d) PPP; and</li> <li>e) appropriate project management of legal contribution.</li> </ol>
17	<b>Public law</b>	<p>All aspects of public law, including but not limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Constitutional and administrative law, including powers and functions of Central Government and other public bodies; and</li> <li>2. the devolved powers of the National Assembly for Wales, Scottish Parliament and Northern Ireland Assembly and sub-national devolution as these relate to other Mandatory Services but excluding the specific devolved laws of such Jurisdictions.</li> </ol>
18	<b>Public procurement law</b>	<p>All aspects of public procurement law, including but not limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. the application of domestic (including Retained EU Law) and international public procurement law; and</li> <li>2. end-to-end support on procurement exercises, including drafting specifications, evaluation criteria, tender documentation and associated</li> </ol>

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		procurement and contractual documentation.
19	<b>Real estate and real estate finance</b>	<p>All aspects of real estate and real estate finance, including but not limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Crown, commercial and residential real estate including investment, site/property re/development, acquisition and disposal (including relevant tax advice), compulsory purchase, freehold, leasehold and licenses, land/ranges landlord and tenant matters, social housing; and</li> <li>2. real estate litigation.</li> </ol>
20	<b>Restructuring/ Insolvency</b>	<p>Restructuring/Insolvency including but not limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Supplier, partner and supply-chain insolvencies and re-structuring;</li> <li>2. Consequences (and mitigation) of insolvency of major suppliers; and</li> <li>3. Special administration regimes.</li> </ol>
21	<b>Retained EU law and EU law</b>	All aspects of retained EU law and EU law, including but not limited to contentious and non-contentious advice and any ancillary matters.
22	<b>Tax law</b>	Tax law, including but not limited to: the application of direct and indirect taxation.

In conjunction with the provision of the above general requirements, the Supplier may provide one or more of the following Options Specialisms:

<b>Optional Specialism No.</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>Scope</b>
1	<b>Aviation and Airports</b>	All aspects of aviation and airports law

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2	<b>Charities</b>	All aspects of Charity law, including but not limited to the establishment and governance of Charitable trusts.
3	<b>Children and vulnerable adults</b>	<p>Law in relation to children and vulnerable adults, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) adoption, social work, child-related and child protection issues;</li> <li>b) rights and obligations of public bodies, issues in relation to mental capacity, end of life care and funding, ageing population and costs of care issues; and</li> <li>c) commissioning of related services.</li> </ul>
4	<b>Education law</b>	Education law including but not limited to: all aspects of education law, including (but not limited to) early years, all aspects of schools and schooling, school workforce, special educational needs, admissions, exclusions, Equalities issues, pupil/student related litigation, governance, insolvency and reorganisation issues, inspection and regulation, finance and funding issues, higher and further education, student finance, and education-focused charity, contract and property law issues relevant to the educational sector.
5	<b>Energy, natural resources and climate change</b>	<p>Energy (including mining and nuclear) and natural resources including but not limited to: all aspects of energy and natural resources including the permitting, development, financing, taxation, contracting, licensing, management, operation, environmental, climate change impacts and regulatory issues relating to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ oil and gas, including unconventional oil and gas;</li> <li>○ electricity generated by whatever means, including renewables;</li> <li>○ energy efficiency measures;</li> <li>○ nuclear, including disposal issues;</li> <li>○ coal mining and power;</li> <li>○ research and innovation related to energy;</li> <li>○ water, air and land use, including emissions and pollution; and</li> <li>○ all other matters relating to climate change</li> </ul>

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		both domestic and international.
6	<b>Food, Rural and Environmental Affairs</b>	<p>Including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) water, air and land use, including emissions and pollution;</li> <li>b) water services and quality;</li> <li>c) flooding;</li> <li>d) waste and recycling;</li> <li>e) fisheries and marine;</li> <li>f) food and farming;</li> <li>g) animal and plant health and animal welfare; and</li> <li>h) wildlife.</li> </ul>
7	<b>Franchise law</b>	<p>All aspects of franchise law including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) the design and establishment of franchise arrangements; and</li> <li>b) advice on contentious and non-contentious aspects of franchise agreements.</li> </ul>
8	<b>Health, healthcare and social care</b>	All aspects of health, healthcare and social care law, including but not limited to policy, legislation, commissioning and all transactional, litigious and regulatory issues relating to Central Government and the NHS and to the regulation of health and social care services or settings.
9	<b>Health and safety</b>	All aspects of health and safety law, including but not limited to: contentious and non-contentious health and safety matters, including regulatory and criminal investigations, public inquests, health and safety at work, food safety, fire safety and associated issues.
10	<b>Immigration</b>	All aspects of immigration law.
11	<b>International trade, investment and regulation</b>	All aspects of the law and practice relating to international trade, investment and regulation,

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		<p>including multilateral and bilateral treaties, apart from:</p> <p>(a) the negotiation and implementation of trade agreements, and</p> <p>(b) disputes under WTO and trade agreement dispute mechanisms.</p>
12	<b>Life sciences</b>	All aspects of Life Sciences including, but not limited to, all transactional, litigious and regulatory issues relating to pharmaceuticals, medical devices and biotechnology including licensing and acquisition of new products.
13	<b>Maritime and Shipping</b>	All aspects of maritime and shipping law.
14	<b>Media law</b>	<p>All aspects of Media Law, including but not limited to:</p> <p>a) Broadcasting licenses and other agreements.</p> <p>b) Defamation, libel and slander; and</p> <p>c) ASA compliance and related issues.</p>
15	<b>Public inquiries and inquests</b>	<p>Public inquiries and inquests including but not limited to:</p> <p>a) acting as the solicitor to public inquiries (statutory and non-statutory) and inquests including: carrying out the role of a solicitor under the Inquiries Act 2005 and the Inquiry Rules 2006 including in relation to the assessment of awards of legal costs to core participants; providing legal advice and support to Inquiry Chairs on all legal aspects relating to the inquiry; instructing and working with Inquiry Counsel and monitoring the Inquiry's own legal spend; management and collation of documentation including the maintenance of the Inquiry record, the provision and management of virtual data rooms and/or e-disclosure, and facilitating the transfer of the inquiry record to the appropriate public record office; devising and implementing fair and robust procedures</p>



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		<p>and protocols for the conduct of the inquiry; conducting the response to any judicial review brought against the Inquiry Chair;</p> <p>b) providing legal support to serving and former ministers and civil servants responding to inquiries and inquests where a conflict prevents the GLD from doing so, including taking witness statements, providing legal advice and support, instructing counsel to represent the interests of individual witnesses where required, and advising on and responding to warning letters; and</p> <p>c) any general support not covered by the above.</p>
16	<b>Public international law</b>	All aspects of public international law.
17	<b>Telecommunications</b>	Telecommunications including but not limited to contentious and non-contentious advice and support on commercial, regulatory, compliance, transactional and intellectual property matters concerning telecommunications.

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## Annex B of the Specification

## Scoring methodology for KPI criteria

KPI No	KPI Measure	KPI Description	Calculation	Service Levels
1	Quality	The number of comments or draft versions until the Final deliverable is accepted by the Buyer.	$\text{Quality \%} = \frac{\text{Number of Commissions received}}{\text{(points awarded to each commission)}} \times 100$ <p>For each Commission one of the following scores will be awarded:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5 points given for up to 2 Draft versions before Buyer agrees Final version; provision of training; attending meetings</li> <li>10 points given for 3 or more draft versions before Buyer agrees Final version</li> <li>20 points given for 3 or more draft versions and where initial draft version requires, in the Buyer's opinion, significant Buyer input and/or questions to be resolved, or Buyer officers are not satisfied that the Final deliverable addresses the question given in the LCF</li> </ul>	<p>Target Performance Level: 20% (maximum percentage)</p> <p>Minor to Moderate Service Failure: 10.1% - 19.9%</p> <p>Critical Service Failure: 10% or less</p>
2	Timeliness	Deliverables are provided to the Buyer in line with those dates in the approved LCF submitted by the Supplier along with price of commission	$\text{Timeliness \%} = \frac{\text{Number of Commissions received}}{\text{(points awarded to each commission)}} \times 100$ <p>For each Commission one of the following scores will be awarded:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5 points when all target deliverables are provided on or by the day expected, or the delay is caused by a genuinely unforeseeable event (excluding staff departures)</li> <li>10 points given for deliverables which are delayed by up to and including 5-working days which are caused by a reasonable, in the view of the Buyer, foreseeable event which is within the control of the Supplier</li> <li>20 points given when deliverables are delayed by 6-working days or more and which are caused by a reasonable, in the view of the Buyer, foreseeable event which is within the control of the Supplier</li> </ul>	<p>Target Performance Level: 20% (maximum percentage)</p> <p>Minor to Moderate Service Failure: 10.1% - 19.9%</p> <p>Critical Service Failure: 10% or less</p>
3	Accuracy	Deliverables are error free and there are inaccuracies in evidence, analysis and report text and formatting. Errors would include omissions, such as failing to identify, adequately assess or document material risks that any reasonably	$\text{Accuracy \%} = \frac{\text{Number of Commissions received}}{\text{(points awarded to each commission)}} \times 100$ <p>For each Commission one of the following scores will be awarded:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5 points given for a Final deliverable which is error free in the view of the Buyer</li> </ul>	<p>Target Performance Level: 20% (maximum percentage)</p> <p>Minor to Moderate Service Failure: 10.1% - 19.9%</p> <p>Critical Service Failure: 10% or less</p>

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		qualified and diligent professional would have identified and reported on. As these will not always be apparent until the passage of time, the Buyer reserves the right to amend a score of a KPI if the error transpires in subsequent years. This is without prejudice to any rights the Buyer has under Tort law.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10 points given if the Buyer identifies or is made aware of minor errors in the Final or Draft deliverables</li> <li>20 points given if the Buyer, in their opinion, identifies or is made aware of, major errors in the Final or Draft deliverables which results in an internal review, determining the recommendations of the Final deliverable and in light of new evidence which could be reasonably obtained by the Supplier during delivery of the Requirement, be inappropriate. The errors could become apparent through passages of time</li> </ul>	
4	Interpretability	Deliverables are presented in a way that recommendation are clear and unequivocal, with reasonable assumptions and caveats being clearly identified and minimised and where non legal professionals are able to understand the arguments detailed in the deliverables in order to make informed decisions.	$\text{Interpretability \%} = \frac{\text{Number of Commissions received}}{\text{(points awarded to each commission)}} \times 100$ <p>For each Commission one of the following scores will be awarded:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5 points given when all Draft and Final deliverables which are worded clearly enabling the Buyer's officers to feel confident, they understand how the decision was reached and its justification.</li> <li>10 points given when the Buyer's officers are not satisfied that the Final deliverable contains partial ambiguity or where clarity is missing, or where there is ambiguity in the response.</li> <li>20 points given when the Final deliverable is deemed by Government Legal Department colleagues to be difficult to fully understood</li> </ul>	<p>Target Performance Level: 20% (maximum percentage)</p> <p>Minor to Moderate Service Failure: 10.1% - 19.9%</p> <p>Critical Service Failure: 10% or less</p>
5	Social Value	To be agreed between parties post award		

## Call-Off Schedule 21 (Northern Ireland Law)

### 1. When you should use this Schedule

- 1.1. This Call-Off Schedule 21 may be included to adapt the Core Terms and Schedules so that the Call-Off Contract is under Northern Ireland Law.

### 2. Changes to the Core Terms

#### 2.1 Clause 34 (Resolving Disputes):

2.1.1 Clause 34.2: substitute the following wording: "If the Dispute is not resolved at that meeting, the Parties can attempt to settle it by mediation using the Dispute Resolution Service of Northern Ireland (DRS) Code of Practice current time at the time of the Dispute. If the Parties cannot agree on a mediator, the mediator will be nominated by DRS. If either Party does not wish to use, or continue to use mediation, or mediation does not resolve the Dispute, the Dispute must be resolved using Clauses 34.3 to 34.5".

2.1.2 Clause 34.3: the term "Courts of England and Wales" shall be amended to read "Courts of Northern Ireland".

2.1.3 Clause 34.4: the seat or legal place of the arbitration shall be amended, so that it takes place in Belfast as opposed to London.

- 2.2 Clause 35 (Which Laws apply): the term "English Law" shall be replaced with "the Law of Northern Ireland".

### 3. Changes to the Joint Schedules

#### 3.1 Joint Schedule 1 - Definitions

3.1.1. "Insolvency Event": any reference to a Part or section of the Insolvency Act 1986 shall be deemed to include an alternative reference, if applicable, to the equivalent Part or section of the Insolvency (Northern Ireland) Order 1989.

3.1.2 "Working Day": reference to "England and Wales" replaced by "Northern Ireland"

#### 3.2 Joint Schedule 5 - Corporate Social Responsibility

3.2.1 Clause 1.1: substitute the following wording: "NOT USED".

3.2.2 Clause 1.2: substitute the following wording: "NOT USED".

3.2.3 Clause 2.1: substitute the following wording: "In addition to applicable equality and anti-discrimination legal obligations in Northern Ireland, the Supplier shall support CCS and the Buyer in fulfilling its obligations to promote equality of treatment under Section 75 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998."

#### 3.3 Joint Schedule 8 - Guarantee

- 3.3.1 Clause 4.1: Delete references to "England and Wales" when referring to addresses.
- 3.3.2 Clause 16: change title to "Governing Law and Jurisdiction"; references to "Courts of England" to be replaced by "Courts of Northern Ireland", references to "English law" to be replaced by the "the laws of Northern Ireland".

#### **4. Changes to the Call-Off Schedules**

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

- 4.1.1 If this Call-Off Schedule 21 (Northern Ireland Law) is included in any Call-Off Contract then Call-Off Schedule 1 (Transparency Reports) is excluded from that Call-Off Contract and does not apply to that Call-Off Contract.

##### **4.2 Call-Off Schedule 18 (Background Checks)**

- 4.2.1 Clause 3.1.2: substitute the following wording: "Notwithstanding Paragraph 2.1.1 for each member of Supplier Staff who, in providing the Deliverables, has, will have or is likely to have access to children, vulnerable persons or other members of the public to whom the Buyer owes a special duty of care, the Supplier must (and shall procure that the relevant Sub-Contractor must) conduct an "Enhanced" Access NI Check and the Supplier shall not (and shall ensure that any Sub-Contractor shall not) engage or continue to employ in the provision of the Deliverables any person who has a Relevant Conviction or an inappropriate record."

## Call-Off Schedule 23 (HMRC Terms)

### 1. Definitions

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

**“Connected Company”** 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;

**“Control”** 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;

**“Prohibited Transaction”**

- a) 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 otherwise payable by the Supplier or a Connected Company on or in connection with the Charges; or

- b) which would be payable by any Key Subcontractor and its Connected Companies on or in connection with payments made by or on behalf of the Supplier under or pursuant to the applicable Key Subcontract,

other than transactions made between the Supplier and its Connected Companies or a Key Subcontractor and its Connected Companies on terms which are at arms-length and are entered into in the ordinary course of the transacting parties' business;

**“Purchase Order Number”** the Buyer's unique number relating to the supply of the Deliverables;

**“Supporting Documentation”** sufficient information in writing to enable the Buyer to reasonably verify the accuracy of any invoice; and

**“Tax Compliance Failure”** 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 (as amended and updated from time to time), where:

- (a) the “Economic Operator” means the Supplier or any agent, supplier or Subcontractor of the Supplier requested to be replaced pursuant to Paragraph 5.3; and

- (b) any “Essential Subcontractor” means any Key Subcontractor.

### 2. Exclusion of certain Core Terms and terms of Schedules

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2.1. When the Parties have entered into a Call-Off Contract which incorporates the terms of this Call-Off Schedule 23, the following Core Terms are modified in respect of that Call-Off Contract (but are not modified in respect of the Framework Contract):

2.1.1. Clauses 31.1, 31.2, 31.3 and 31.4(d) of the Core Terms do not apply to that Call-Off Contract, but for the avoidance of doubt, the remainder of Clause 31.4 of the Core Terms shall continue to apply to the Call-Off Contract; and

2.1.2. Clause 7.2 of the Core Terms does not apply to that Call-Off Contract.

2.2. When the Parties have entered into a Call-Off Contract which incorporates the terms of this Call-Off Schedule 23, the following Joint Schedules are modified in respect of that Call-Off Contract (but are not disapplied in respect of the Framework Contract):

2.2.1. The definition of "Occasion of Tax Non-Compliance" contained in Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions) does not apply to that Call-Off Contract; and

2.2.2. paragraph 5(d) of Joint Schedule 11 (Processing Data) does not apply to that Call-Off Contract.

### **3. Charges, Payment and Recovery of Sums Due**

3.1. The Supplier shall invoice the Buyer as specified in Clause 4 of the Core Terms as modified by any Framework Special Terms or any Call-Off Special Terms.

3.2. In addition to the provisions of Clause 4 of the Core Terms and any applicable Framework Special Term or Call-Off Special Term, the Supplier shall procure a Purchase Order Number from the Buyer before any Deliverables are supplied. Should the Supplier supply Deliverables without a Purchase Order Number:

3.2.1. the Supplier does so at its own risk; and

3.2.2. the Buyer shall not be obliged to pay any invoice without a valid Purchase Order Number having been provided to the Supplier.

3.3. The Supplier shall submit each invoice and any Supporting Documentation required in accordance with Clause 4 of the Core Terms and any applicable Framework Special Term or Call-Off Special Term, as directed by the Buyer from time to time, either:

3.3.1. via the Buyer's electronic transaction system as an Electronic Invoice; or

3.3.2. to the [specify who the contact in HMRC is] (or such other person notified to the Supplier in writing by the Buyer) by email in pdf format or, if agreed with the Buyer, in hard copy by post.

### **4. Warranties**

4.1. The Supplier represents and warrants that:

- 4.1.1. in the three years prior to the Effective Date, it has complied with all applicable Law related to Tax in the United Kingdom and in the jurisdiction in which it is established;
- 4.1.2. it has notified the Buyer in writing of any Tax Compliance Failure it is involved in; and
- 4.1.3. no proceedings or other steps have been taken (nor, to the best of the Supplier's knowledge, are threatened) for:
  - 4.1.3.1. the winding up of the Supplier;
  - 4.1.3.2. the Supplier's dissolution; or
  - 4.1.3.3. 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 Buyer of any profit warnings it has issued in the three years prior to the Effective Date.

- 4.2. If the Supplier becomes aware that any of the representations or warranties under Paragraphs 4.1.1, 4.1.2 and/or 4.1.3 have been breached, are untrue or misleading, it shall immediately notify the Buyer in sufficient detail to enable the Buyer to make an accurate assessment of the situation.
- 4.3. In the event that the warranty given by the Supplier in Paragraph 4.1.2 is materially untrue, this shall be deemed to be an event to which Clause 10.4.1 of the Core Terms applies and Clauses 10.6.1 and 10.6.2 of the Core Terms shall apply as if the Contract had been terminated under Clause 10.4.1.

## 5. Promoting Tax Compliance

- 5.1. The Supplier shall comply with all Law relating to Tax and with the equivalent legal provisions of the country in which the Supplier is established.
- 5.2. The Supplier shall provide to the Buyer 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 that person supplying any material Deliverables under the Contract.
- 5.3. Upon a request by the Buyer, the Supplier shall not contract, or will cease to contract, with any agent, supplier or Subcontractor of the Supplier engaged in supplying Deliverables under the Contract.
- 5.4. If, at any point during the Call-Off Contract Period, there is a Tax Compliance Failure, the Supplier shall:
  - 5.4.1. notify the Buyer in writing within five (5) Working Days of its occurrence; and
  - 5.4.2. promptly provide to the Buyer:



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- 5.4.2.1. details of the steps which the Supplier is taking to resolve the Tax Compliance Failure and to prevent it from recurring, together with any mitigating factors that it considers relevant; and
  - 5.4.2.2. such other information in relation to the Tax Compliance Failure as the Buyer may reasonably require.
- 5.5. The Supplier shall indemnify the Buyer against any liability for Tax (including any interest, penalties or costs incurred) of the Buyer in respect of the Supplier's failure to account for or to pay any Tax relating to payments made to the Supplier under this Contract.
- 5.6. Any amounts due under Paragraph 5.5 shall be paid not less than five (5) Working Days before the date upon which the Tax or other liability is payable by the Buyer. Any amounts due under Paragraph 5.5 shall not be subject to clause 11.2 of the Core Terms.
- 5.7. Upon the Buyer's request, the Supplier shall promptly provide information which demonstrates how the Supplier complies with its Tax obligations.
- 5.8. If the Supplier:
- 5.8.1. fails to comply with Paragraphs 5.1, 5.4.1 and/or 5.7 this may be a material breach of the Contract;
  - 5.8.2. fails to comply with a reasonable request by the Buyer that it must not contract, or must cease to contract, with any agent, supplier or Subcontractor of the Supplier as required by Paragraph 5.23 on the grounds that the agent, supplier or Subcontractor of the Supplier is involved in a Tax Compliance Failure this shall be a material breach of the Contract; and/or
  - 5.8.3. fails to provide acceptable details of steps being taken and mitigating factors pursuant to Paragraph 5.4.2 this shall be a material breach of the Contract;
- and any such material breach shall be deemed to be an event to which clause 10.4.1 of the Core Terms applies and Clauses 10.6.1 and 10.6.2 of the Core Terms shall apply as if the Contract had been terminated under Clause 10.4.1.
- 5.9. In addition to those circumstances listed in clause 15.2 to 15.4 of the Core Terms, the Buyer may internally share any information, including Confidential Information, which it receives under Paragraphs 5.2 to 5.4 (inclusive) and 5.7.

**6. Use of Off-shore Tax Structures**

- 6.1. 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 any Prohibited Transactions, unless the Buyer otherwise agrees to that Prohibited Transaction.
- 6.2. The Supplier shall notify the Buyer in writing (with reasonable supporting detail) of any proposal for the Supplier, its Connected Companies, or a Key Subcontractor (or any of its Connected Companies), to enter into any Prohibited Transaction. The Supplier shall include reasonable supporting detail and make the notification within a reasonable time before the Prohibited Transaction is due to be put in place.

- 6.3. If a Prohibited Transaction is entered into in breach of Paragraph 6.1, or circumstances arise which may result in such a breach, the Supplier and/or the Key Subcontractor (as applicable) shall discuss the situation with the Buyer. The Parties shall agree (at no cost to the Buyer) any necessary changes to any such arrangements by the undertakings concerned (and the Supplier shall ensure that the Key Subcontractor shall agree, where applicable). The matter will be resolved using clause 34 of the Core Terms if necessary.
- 6.4. Failure by the Supplier (or a Key Subcontractor) to comply with the obligations set out in Paragraphs 6.2 and 6.3 shall be deemed to be an event to which clause 10.4.1 of the Core Terms applies and Clauses 10.6.1 and 10.6.2 of the Core Terms shall apply as if the Contract had been terminated under Clause 10.4.1.

## **7. Data Protection and off-shoring**

- 7.1. The Processor shall, in relation to any Personal Data Processed in connection with its obligations under the Contract:
- 7.1.1. 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:
- 7.1.1.1. 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;
  - 7.1.1.2. the Data Subject has enforceable rights and effective legal remedies;
  - 7.1.1.3. 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
  - 7.1.1.4. the Processor complies with any reasonable instructions notified to it in advance by the Controller with respect to the Processing of the Personal Data;
- 7.2. Failure by the Processor to comply with the obligations set out in Paragraph 7.1 shall be deemed to be an event to which clause 10.4.1 of the Core Terms applies and Clauses 10.6.1 and 10.6.2 of the Core Terms shall apply as if the Contract had been terminated under Clause 10.4.1.

## **8. Commissioners for Revenue and Customs Act 2005 and related Legislation**

- 8.1. The Supplier shall comply with, and shall ensure that all Supplier Staff who will have access to, or are provided with, Government Data comply with the obligations set out in Section 18 of the Commissioners for Revenue and Customs Act 2005 ("**CRCA**") to maintain the confidentiality of Government Data. Further, the Supplier acknowledges that (without prejudice to any other rights and remedies of the Buyer) a breach of those obligations may lead to a prosecution under Section 19 of CRCA.
- 8.2. The Supplier shall comply with, and shall ensure that all Supplier Staff who will have access to, or are provided with, Government Data comply with the obligations set out in the Official Secrets Acts 1911 to 1989 and the obligations set out in Section 182 of the Finance Act 1989. Further, the Supplier acknowledges that (without prejudice to any other

rights and remedies of the Buyer) a breach of those obligations may lead to prosecution under those Acts.

- 8.3. The Supplier shall comply with, and shall ensure that all Supplier Staff who will have access to, or are provided with, Government 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 Deliverables. The Supplier acknowledges that (without prejudice to any other rights and remedies of the Buyer) 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.
- 8.4. The Supplier shall regularly (not less than once every six (6) months) remind all Supplier Staff who will have access to, or are provided with, Government Data in writing of the obligations upon Supplier Staff set out in Paragraphs 8.1, 8.2 and 8.3. The Supplier shall monitor the compliance by Supplier Staff with such obligations.
- 8.5. The Supplier shall ensure that all Supplier Staff who will have access to, or are provided with, Government 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 Buyer upon demand.
- 8.6. In the event that the Supplier or the Supplier Staff fail to comply with this Paragraph 8, the Buyer reserves the right to terminate the Contract as if that failure to comply were an event to which clause 10.4.1 of the Core Terms applies.

## 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*<sup>3</sup>;
  - 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 evasion<sup>4</sup>;
  - b. Conduct caught by the General Anti-Abuse Rule<sup>5</sup>;
  - c. Conduct caught by the Halifax Abuse principle<sup>6</sup>;
  - d. Entered into arrangements caught by a DOTAS or VADR scheme<sup>7</sup>;

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.iasplus.com/en/standards/ifrs/ifrs10>

<sup>4</sup> '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.

<sup>5</sup> "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 advantages arising from abusive arrangements to avoid national insurance contributions

<sup>6</sup> "Halifax Abuse Principle" means the principle explained in the CJEU Case C-255/02 Halifax and others

<sup>7</sup> 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 any specified 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

- e. Conduct caught by a recognised 'anti-avoidance rule'<sup>8</sup> 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 list<sup>9</sup>;
- 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) procedure<sup>10</sup>; 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).

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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.

<sup>8</sup> 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.

<sup>9</sup> 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>

<sup>10</sup> 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.

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.

## **Annex 2 Form**

### **CONFIDENTIALITY DECLARATION**

CONTRACT REFERENCE: Sharpe Pritchard Services to GBE **prj\_4798** (('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 Government 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 Government Data provided to me.

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

## Call-Off Schedule 24 (Special Schedule)

### LEGAL SERVICES CONTRACT

Where the Services provided under a Call-Off Contract include Legal Services, the following provisions shall apply: -

#### **The Core Terms shall be amended as follows: -**

#### **3.1 All Deliverables**

- 3.1.3 The Supplier shall bring to the attention of the Buyer any conflict between:
- (a) the Core Terms or Special Terms in a Contract;
  - (b) Call-Off Schedule 24 (Special Schedule); and/or
  - (c) any of the requirements in Clause 3.1.1;
- and shall comply with the Buyer's decision on the resolution of any such conflict.

#### **9. Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs)**

9.1 Subject to Clause 9.2, each Party keeps ownership of its own Existing IPRs.

9.2 Unless otherwise provided in the Order Form:

- (a) Intellectual Property Rights in the output from the Deliverables shall vest in the Supplier who shall grant to the Buyer a non-exclusive, unlimited, perpetual, royalty-free, irrevocable, transferable worldwide licence to use, change, exploit and sub-license the same; and
- (b) the Supplier gives the Buyer a non-exclusive, perpetual, royalty-free, irrevocable, transferrable worldwide licence to use, change and sub-licence Supplier's Existing IPR to enable it to both:
  - (i) receive and use the Deliverables; and
  - (ii) make use of the deliverables provided by a Replacement Supplier.

9.4 Neither Party has the right to use the other Party's IPRs, including any use of the other Party's names, logos or trademarks, except as provided in Clause 9 or otherwise agreed in writing. However, nothing shall prevent a Buyer from using any techniques, ideas, Know-How which the Buyer has gained during the performance of the Contract in the course of its normal business to the extent that this use does not result in the disclosure of the Supplier's Confidential Information or an infringement of IPRs.

9.5 If there is an IPR Claim, the Supplier indemnifies CCS and each Buyer against all Losses incurred as a result.

9.6 If an IPR Claim is made: -

- (a) the Buyer shall notify the Supplier in writing of the IPR Claim and the Buyer shall not make any admissions which may be prejudicial to its defence or settlement. The Supplier shall

at its own expense conduct all negotiations and any litigation arising out of or in connection with the IPR Claim provided always that the Supplier shall: -

- (i) consult CCS and the Buyer on all substantive issues which arise during the conduct of such litigation and negotiations;
  - (ii) take due and proper account of the interests of the CCS and the Buyer;
  - (iii) consider and defend the IPR Claim diligently using competent counsel and in such a way as not to bring the reputation of the Buyer into disrepute; and
  - (iv) not settle or compromise the IPR Claim without the prior written approval of the Buyer (not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed).
- (b) or anticipated the Supplier must at its own expense and the Buyer's sole option, either:
- (i) obtain for CCS and the Buyer the rights in Clause 9.1 and 9.2 without infringing any third party IPR; or
  - (ii) replace or modify the relevant item with substitutes that do not infringe IPR without adversely affecting the accuracy, completeness, reliability, functionality or performance of the Deliverables.

## **11. How much you can be held responsible for**

11.11 No enquiry, inspection, approval, sanction, comment, consent, decision or instruction 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 Deliverables, and no failure of the Buyer to discern any defect in or omission from any such document or information shall operate to exclude or limit the obligations of a professional Supplier employed in a buyer / supplier relationship.

11.12 Save as otherwise expressly provided, the obligations of the Buyer under the Contract are obligations of the Buyer in its capacity as a contracting counterparty and nothing in the Contract shall operate as an obligations upon, or in any other way fetter or constrain the Buyer in any other capacity, nor shall the exercise by the Buyer of its duties and powers in any other capacity lead to any liability under the Contract (howsoever arising) on the part of the buyer to the Supplier.

11.13 No individual nor any service company of the Supplier employing that individual shall have any personal liability to the Buyer for the Deliverables supplied by that individual on behalf of the Supplier and the Buyer shall not bring any claim under the Contract against that individual or such service company in respect of the Contract save in the case of Fraud or any liability for death or personal injury. Nothing in this Clause 11.13 shall in any way limit the liability of the Supplier in respect of the Deliverables, and such liability shall be uncapped unless otherwise specified in the Order Form.

## **34 Resolving Disputes**

### **Complaint Handling**

34.8 If a Complaint is made by any Buyer, either Party shall notify the other Party in writing of the Complaint which if not resolved by operation of the Supplier's usual Complaint handling procedure within 5 Working Days of becoming aware of the Complaint and, if the Supplier is providing the written notice, such notice shall contain full details of the Supplier's plans to resolve the Complaint.

34.9 Without prejudice to any:



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- (a) rights and remedies that a complainant may have at Law (including under a Contract), and
- (b) obligation of the Supplier to take remedial action under the provisions of the Contract,

the Supplier shall use its best endeavours to resolve the Complaint within 10 Working Days and in so doing, shall deal with the Complaint fully, expeditiously and fairly.

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

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