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## HORIZON CONVICTIONS REDRESS SCHEME ("HCRS") DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

CR - 4351

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# **Award Form**

Mid-tier Contract - version 1.1

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

1.	Buyer	The Secretary of State for Business and Trade	
		Address: Old Admiralty Building Admiralty Place London SW1A 2DY United Kingdom	
2.	Supplier	Name: Post Office Limited	
		Address: 100 Wood Street, London, EC2V 7ER	
		Registration <b>02154540</b> number:	
3.	Contract	This Contract between the Buyer and the Supplier is for the supply of the Deliverables.	
4.	Contract reference	CR_4351	
5.	Deliverables	The Supplier will provide disclosure of documentation it holds for an estimated 800 Eligible Claims in accordance with the agreed processes in Schedule 2 (Specification).	
6.	Buyer Cause	Any breach of the obligations of the Buyer or any other default, act, omission, negligence or statement of the Buyer, of its employees, servants, agents in connection with or in relation to the subject matter of the Contract and in respect of which the Buyer is liable to the Supplier.	
7.	Collaborative working principles	The Collaborative Working Principles do not apply to this Contract.	
8.	Financial Transparency Objectives	The Financial Transparency Objectives do not apply to this Contract. Clause 6.3 does not apply.	
9.	Start Date	1 June 2024	
10.	Expiry Date	The Contract will terminate upon completion of all claims being processed through Phase 1 and Phase 2 (as defined in Schedule 2) unless terminated earlier in accordance with clause 14 or paragraph 4.5 of Schedule 3 (Charges) of the Contract.	

11.	Extension Period	N/A		
12.	Ending the Contract without a reason	The Buyer shall be able to terminate the Contract in accordance with Clause 14.3.		
13.	Incorporated Terms (together these documents form the "the Contract")	The following documents are incorporated into the Contract. Where numbers are missing we are not using these Schedules. If the documents conflict, the following order of precedence applies: a) This Award Form		
		<ul> <li>b) Any Special Terms (see Section 14 (Special Terms) in this Award Form)</li> </ul>		
		<ul><li>c) Core Terms</li><li>d) Schedule 1 (Definitions)</li></ul>		
		e) Schedule 6 (Transparency Reports)		
		<ul> <li>f) Data Sharing Agreement agreed between POL and DBT to be attached to this Contract at Schedule 20.</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>g) The following Schedules (in equal order of precedence):</li> </ul>		
		a. Schedule 2 (Specification)		
		b. Schedule 3 (Charges)		
		c. Schedule 5 (Commercially Sensitive Information)		
		d. Schedule 21 (Variation Form)		
		e. Schedule 22 (Insurance Requirements)		
		f. Schedule 25 (Rectification Plan)		
		g. Schedule 26 (Sustainability)		
		h) Schedule 36 (Intellectual Property Rights)		
14.	Special Terms	N/A		
15.	Sustainability	The Supplier agrees, in providing the Deliverables and performing its obligations under the Contract, that it will comply with Schedule 26 (Sustainability).		
16.	Buyer's Environmental Policy	available online at: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads /system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1030915/beis- environmental-policy.pdf		

Social Value Commitment	N/A
Buyer's Security Policy	available online at: https://www.gov.uk/govemment/publications/security-policy- framework/hmg-security-policy-framework
Commercially Sensitive Information	Supplier's Commercially Sensitive Information: Schedule 5 (Commercially Sensitive Information)
Charges	Details in Schedule 3 (Charges) Contract Value: £3,604,012 (excl. VAT)
Reimbursable expenses	None
Payment method	Payment by BACS following a correct and valid invoice
Service Levels	Not applicable
Insurance	Details in Annex of Schedule 22 (Insurance Requirements).
Liability and Data Protection Liability Cap	In accordance with Clause 15.1 each Party's total aggregate liability in each Contract Year under the Contract (whether in tort, contract or otherwise) is no more than the greater of of the Contract Value.
	In accordance with Clause 15.5, the Supplier's total aggregate liability in each Contract Year under Clause 18.8.5 is no more than the Data Protection Liability,
Cyber Essentials Certification	Not required
Progress Meetings and Progress Reports	See Schedule 2 (Specifications)
Guarantee	Not applicable
Virtual Library	Not applicable
Supplier Contract Manager	
	Buyer's Security Policy         Commercially Sensitive Information         Charges         Reimbursable expenses         Payment method         Service Levels         Insurance         Liability and Data Protection Liability Cap         Cyber Essentials Certification         Progress Meetings and Progress Reports         Guarantee         Virtual Library         Supplier Contract

31.	Supplier Authorised Representative	
32.	Supplier Compliance Officer	
33.	Supplier Data Protection Officer	
34.	Buyer Authorised Representative	

For and on behalf of the Supplier:		For and on beha	If of the Buyer:
Signature:		Signature:	
Name:		Name:	
Role:		Role:	
Date:	1/12/2024   21:17 GMT	Date:	5/12/2024   11:09 GMT

### Core Terms – Mid-tier

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

Interpret this Contract using Schedule 1 (Definitions).

#### 2. How the contract works

- 2.1 If the Buyer decides to buy Deliverables under the Contract it must state its requirements using the Award Form. If allowed by the Regulations, the Buyer can:
  - 2.1.1 make changes to the Award Form;
  - 2.1.2 create new Schedules;
  - 2.1.3 exclude optional template Schedules; and
  - 2.1.4 use Special Terms in the Award Form to add or change terms.
- 2.2 The Contract:
  - 2.2.1 is between the Supplier and the Buyer; and
  - 2.2.2 includes Core Terms, Schedules and any other changes or items in the completed Award Form.
- 2.3 The Supplier acknowledges it has all the information required to perform its obligations under the Contract before entering into it. When information is provided by the Buyer no warranty of its accuracy is given to the Supplier.
- 2.4 The Supplier acknowledges that, subject to the Allowable Assumptions set out in Annex 2 of Schedule 3 (Charges) (if any), it has satisfied itself of all details relating to:
  - 2.4.1 the Buyer's requirements for the Deliverables;
  - 2.4.2 the Buyer's operating processes and working methods; and
  - 2.4.3 Not used.
  - 2.4.4 Not used.
  - 2.4.5 Not used.
  - 2.4.6 Not used.
- 2.5 Not used.
- 2.6 The Buyer will not be liable for errors, omissions or misrepresentation of any information where reasonably noticeable by the Supplier but not alerted to the Buyer.
- 2.7 The Supplier warrants and represents that all statements made and documents submitted as part of the procurement of Deliverables are and remain true and accurate.

### 3. What needs to be delivered

#### 3.1 All deliverables

- 3.1.1 The Supplier must provide Deliverables:
  - a) that comply with the Specification, the Tender Response and the Contract;
  - b) using reasonable skill and care;
  - c) using Good Industry Practice;
  - d) using its own policies, processes and internal quality control measures as long as they don't conflict with the Contract;
  - e) on the dates agreed; and
  - f) that comply with Law.
- 3.1.2 Not used.
- 3.1.3 Not used.
- 3.2 Not used.

#### 3.3 Services clauses

- 3.3.1 Not used
- 3.3.2 The Supplier must co-operate with the Buyer on all aspects connected with the Delivery of the Services and ensure that Supplier Staff comply with any reasonable instructions of the Buyer.
- 3.3.3 The Supplier must at its own risk and expense provide all Supplier Equipment required to Deliver the Services.
- 3.3.4 The Supplier must allocate sufficient resources and appropriate expertise to the Contract in accordance with the Specification.
- 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 Not used.

### 4. Pricing and payments

- 4.1 In exchange for the Deliverables, the Supplier must invoice the Buyer for the Charges in the Award Form.
- 4.2 All Charges:
  - 4.2.1 exclude VAT, which is payable on provision of a valid VAT invoice; and
  - 4.2.2 include all costs connected with the Supply of Deliverables.

- 4.3 The Buyer must pay the Supplier the Charges in respect of the Deliverables that are delivered in accordance with Schedule 2 within 30 days of receipt by the Buyer of a valid, undisputed invoice, in cleared funds using the payment method and details stated in the Award Form.
- 4.4 A Supplier invoice is only valid if it:
  - 4.4.1 includes all appropriate references including the Contract reference number and other details reasonably requested by the Buyer; and
  - 4.4.2 includes a detailed breakdown of Delivered Deliverables and Milestone(s) (if any).
- 4.5 Not used.
- 4.6 The Supplier must ensure that all Subcontractors are paid, in full, within 30 days of receipt of a valid, undisputed invoice. If this does not happen, the Buyer can publish the details of the late payment or non-payment.
- 4.7 The Parties have no right of set-off, counterclaim, discount or abatement unless they're ordered to do so by a court.

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

- 5.1 If Supplier Non-Performance arises from a Buyer Cause:
  - 5.1.1 the Buyer cannot terminate the Contract under Clause 14.4.1;
  - 5.1.2 the Supplier is entitled to its reasonable and proven additional expenses arising from the Buyer Cause and to relief from Delay Payments, liability and Deduction under this Contract;
  - 5.1.3 the Supplier is entitled to additional time needed to make the Delivery;
  - 5.1.4 where supply of such Deliverables has not been rendered impossible by the Buyer Cause, the Supplier cannot suspend the ongoing supply of Deliverables.
- 5.2 Clause 5.1 only applies if the Supplier:
  - 5.2.1 gives notice to the Buyer of the Buyer Cause within 10 Working Days of becoming aware of such Buyer Cause;
  - 5.2.2 demonstrates that the Supplier Non-Performance only happened because of the Buyer Cause; and
  - 5.2.3 mitigated the impact of the Buyer 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 Award Form.
- 6.2 The Supplier must keep and maintain full and accurate records and accounts in respect of the Contract during the Contract Period and for 7 years after the End Date and in accordance with the UK GDPR or the EU GDPR as the context

requires, including the records and accounts which the Buyer has a right to Audit.

- 6.3 Where the Award Form states that the Financial Transparency Objectives apply, the Supplier must co-operate with the Buyer to achieve the Financial Transparency Objectives and, to this end, will provide a Financial Report to the Buyer:
  - 6.3.1 on or before the Start Date;
  - 6.3.2 at the end of each Contract Year; and
  - 6.3.3 within 6 Months of the end of the Contract Period,

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

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

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

- 6.5 The Supplier must allow any Auditor access to their premises upon reasonable prior notice and the Buyer will use reasonable endeavours to ensure that any Auditor:
  - 6.5.1 complies with the Supplier's operating procedures; and
  - 6.5.2 does not unreasonably disrupt the Supplier or its provision of the Deliverables.
- 6.6 During an Audit, the Supplier must provide information to the Auditor and reasonable co-operation at their request including access to:
  - 6.6.1 all information within the permitted scope of the Audit;
  - 6.6.2 any Sites, equipment and the Supplier's ICT system used in the performance of the Contract; and
  - 6.6.3 the Supplier Staff.
- 6.7 The Buyer will bear the costs related to an Audit when an Audit is undertaken, unless the Audit identifies a material Default by the Supplier, in which case the Supplier will repay the Buyer's reasonable costs in connection with the Audit.
- 6.8 The Supplier must comply with the Buyer's reasonable instructions following an Audit, including:
  - 6.8.1 correcting any identified Default;
  - 6.8.2 rectifying any error identified in a Financial Report; and
  - 6.8.3 repaying any Charges that the Buyer has overpaid.

- 6.9 If the Supplier is not providing any of the Deliverables, or is unable to provide them, it must immediately:
  - 6.9.1 tell the Buyer and give reasons;
  - 6.9.2 propose corrective action; and
  - 6.9.3 provide a deadline for completing the corrective action.
- 6.10 Except where an Audit is imposed on the Buyer by a regulatory body or where the Buyer has reasonable grounds for believing that the Supplier has not complied with its obligations under this Contract, the Buyer may not conduct an Audit of the Supplier or of the same Key Subcontractor more than twice in any Contract Year.

#### 7. Supplier staff

- 7.1 The Supplier Staff involved in the performance of the Contract must:
  - 7.1.1 be appropriately trained and qualified in the provision of the Services;
  - 7.1.2 be vetted using Good Industry Practice and the Security Policy; and
  - 7.1.3 comply with all conduct requirements when on the Buyer's Premises.
- 7.2 Where the Buyer reasonably decides one of the Supplier's Staff is not suitable to work on the Contract, the Supplier must replace them with a suitably qualified alternative
- 7.3 If requested, the Supplier must replace any person whose acts or omissions have caused the Supplier to breach Clauses 31.1 to 31.4.
- 7.4 Not used.
- 7.5 The Supplier indemnifies the Buyer against all claims brought by any person employed by the Supplier caused by an act or omission of the Supplier or any Supplier Staff.

#### 8. Supply chain- Not used

#### 9. Rights and protection

- 9.1 The Supplier warrants and represents that:
  - 9.1.1 it has full capacity and authority to enter into and to perform the Contract;
  - 9.1.2 the Contract is executed by its authorised representative;
  - 9.1.3 it is a legally valid and existing organisation incorporated in the place it was formed;
  - 9.1.4 there are no known legal or regulatory actions or investigations before any court, administrative body or arbitration tribunal pending or threatened against it or its Affiliates that might affect its ability to

perform the Contract save that the Horizon public inquiry is acknowledged;

- 9.1.5 all necessary rights, authorisations, licences and consents (including in relation to IPRs) are in place to enable the Supplier to perform its obligations under the Contract and for the Buyer to receive the Deliverables;
- 9.1.6 it doesn't have any contractual obligations which are likely to have a material adverse effect on its ability to perform the Contract;
- 9.1.7 it is not impacted by an Insolvency Event or a Financial Distress Event; and
- 9.1.8 neither it nor, to the best of its knowledge the Supplier Staff, have committed a Prohibited Act prior to the Start Date or been subject to an investigation relating to a Prohibited Act.
- 9.2 The warranties and representations in Clauses 2.7 and 9.1 are repeated each time the Supplier provides Deliverables under the Contract.
- 9.3 The Supplier indemnifies the Buyer against each of the following:
  - 9.3.1 wilful misconduct of the Supplier, Subcontractor and Supplier Staff that impacts the Contract; and
  - 9.3.2 non-payment by the Supplier of any tax or National Insurance.
- 9.4 All claims indemnified under this Contract must use Clause 30.
- 9.5 The Buyer can terminate the Contract for breach of any warranty or indemnity where they are entitled to do so.
- 9.6 If the Supplier becomes aware of a representation or warranty that becomes untrue or misleading, it must immediately notify the Buyer.
- 9.7 All third party warranties and indemnities covering the Deliverables must be assigned for the Buyer's benefit by the Supplier.

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

10.1 The Parties agree that the terms set out in Schedule 36 (Intellectual Property Rights) shall apply to this Contract should any IPR be generated in the provision of the Services.

10.2 If there is an IPR Claim, the Supplier indemnifies the Buyer against all losses, damages, costs or expenses (including professional fees and fines) incurred as a result.

10.3 If an IPR Claim is made or anticipated the Supplier must at its own expense and the Buyer's sole option, either:

10.3.1 obtain for the **Buyer** the rights to continue using the relevant item without infringing any third party IPR; or

10.3.2 replace or **modify** the relevant item with substitutes that don't infringe IPR without adversely affecting the functionality or performance of the Deliverables.

10.4 If the Buyer requires that the Supplier procures a licence in accordance with Schedule 36 or to modify or replace an item pursuant to Schedule 36, but this has not avoided or resolved the IPR Claim, then the Buyer may terminate this Contract by written notice with immediate effect.

### 11. Rectifying issues

- 11.1 If there is a Notifiable Default, the Supplier must notify the Buyer within 3 Working Days of the Supplier becoming aware of the Notifiable Default and the Buyer may request that the Supplier provide a Rectification Plan within 10 Working Days of the Buyer's request alongside any additional documentation that the Buyer reasonably requires.
- 11.2 When the Buyer receives a requested Rectification Plan it can either:
  - 11.2.1 reject the Rectification Plan or revised Rectification Plan giving reasons; or
  - 11.2.2 accept the Rectification Plan or revised Rectification Plan (without limiting its rights) in which case the Supplier must immediately start work on the actions in the Rectification Plan at its own cost.
- 11.3 Where the Rectification Plan or revised Rectification Plan is rejected, the Buyer:
  - 11.3.1 will give reasonable grounds for its decision; and
  - 11.3.2 may request that the Supplier provides a revised Rectification Plan within 5 Working Days.

#### 12. Escalating issues

- 12.1 If the Supplier fails to:
  - 12.1.1 submit a Rectification Plan or a revised Rectification Plan within the timescales set out in Clauses 11.1 or 11.3; and
  - 12.1.2 adhere to the timescales set out in an accepted Rectification Plan to resolve the Notifiable Default.

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

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

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

12.3 If the Supplier is in Default of any of its obligations under this Clause 12, the Buyer shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement and the consequences of termination set out in Clause 14.5.1 shall apply as if the contract were terminated under Clause 14.4.1.

#### 13. Step-in rights- Not Used

#### 14. Ending the contract

- 14.1 The Contract takes effect on the Start Date and ends on the End Date or earlier if terminated under this Clause 14 or paragraph 4.5 of Schedule 3 (Charges), or if required by Law.
- 14.2 Not used.

#### 14.3 Ending the contract without a reason

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

#### 14.4 When the Buyer can end the Contract

- 14.4.1 If any of the following events happen, the Buyer has the right to immediately terminate the Contract by issuing a Termination Notice to the Supplier:
  - a) there's a Supplier Insolvency Event;
  - b) the Supplier fails to notify the Buyer in writing of any Occasion of Tax Non-Compliance
  - c) there's a Notifiable Default that is not corrected in line with an accepted Rectification Plan;
  - d) the Buyer reasonably rejects a Rectification Plan or the Supplier does not provide it within 10 days of the request;
  - e) there's any material Default of the Contract by the Supplier;
  - a Default that occurs and then continues to occur on one or more occasions within 6 Months following the Buyer serving a warning notice on the Supplier that it may terminate for persistent breach of the Contract;
  - g) there's any material Default of the Data Sharing Agreement by the Supplier;
  - h) there's a Default of Clauses 2.7, 10, 12, 18, 19, 31, 36, or Schedule 36 (Intellectual Property Rights) relating to the Contract;
  - i) Not used;
  - j) Not used

- there's a Change of Control of the Supplier which isn't preapproved by the Buyer in writing, such approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed;
- the Buyer discovers that the Supplier was in one of the situations in 57 (1) or 57(2) of the Regulations at the time the Contract was awarded;
- m) the Supplier or its Affiliates embarrass or bring the Buyer into disrepute or diminish the public trust in them; or
- n) the Supplier fails to comply with its legal obligations in the fields of environmental, social, equality or employment Law when providing the Deliverables.
- 14.4.2 The Buyer also has the right to terminate the Contract in accordance with Clauses 9.5 and 24.3.
- 14.4.3 If any of the events in 73 (1) (a) or (b) of the Regulations happen, the Buyer has the right to immediately terminate the Contract and Clauses 14.5.1b) to 14.5.1h) applies.

#### 14.5 What happens if the contract ends

- 14.5.1 Where the Buyer terminates the Contract under Clauses 14.4.1 and 9.5, all of the following apply:
  - a) The Supplier is responsible for the Buyer's reasonable costs of procuring Replacement Deliverables for the rest of the Contract Period.
  - b) The Buyer's payment obligations under the terminated Contract stop immediately save for any outstanding Charges for Services already performed.
  - c) Accumulated rights of the Parties are not affected.
  - d) The Supplier must promptly delete or return the Government Data except where required to retain copies by Law.
  - e) The Supplier must promptly return any of the Buyer's property provided under the terminated Contract.
  - f) The Supplier must, at no cost to the Buyer, co-operate fully in the handover.
  - g) The Supplier must repay to the Buyer all the Charges that it has been paid in advance for Deliverables that it has not provided as at the date of termination or expiry.
  - h) The following Clauses survive the termination of the Contract:
     6, 10, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 39, 40, Schedule 36 (Intellectual Property Rights) and any Clauses and Schedules which are expressly or by implication intended to continue.
- 14.5.2 If either Party terminates the Contract under Clause 24.3:
  - a) each party must cover its own Losses; and
  - b) Clauses 14.5.1b) to 14.5.1h) applies.

#### 14.6 When the Supplier can end the contract

- 14.6.1 The Supplier can issue a Reminder Notice if the Buyer does not pay an undisputed invoice on time. The Supplier can terminate the Contract if the Buyer fails to pay an undisputed invoiced sum due and worth over 5% of the total Contract Value within 30 days of the date of the Reminder Notice."
- 14.6.2 The Supplier also has the right to terminate the Contract

in accordance with Clauses 24.3 and 27.5 and should the following events occur:

- a) there's any material Default of the Contract by the Buyer;
- b) there's any material Default of the Data Sharing Agreement by the Buyer and;
- c) the Buyer or its Affiliates embarrass or bring the Supplier into disrepute or diminish the public trust in them.
- 14.6.3 Where the Buyer terminates the Contract under Clause 14.3 or the Supplier terminates the Contract under Clause 14.6.2 or 27.5:
  - a) the Buyer must promptly pay all outstanding Charges incurred to the Supplier;
  - b) the Buyer must pay the Supplier reasonable committed and unavoidable Losses as long as the Supplier provides a fully itemised and costed schedule with evidence – the maximum value of this payment is limited to the total sum payable to the Supplier if the Contract had not been terminated; and
  - c) Clauses 14.5.1d) to 14.5.1h) apply.

#### 14.7 Not used

14.7.1 Not used.

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

15.1 Each Party's total aggregate liability in each Contract Year under the Contract (whether in tort, contract or otherwise) is no more than **a second seco** 

the liability arose unless specified otherwise in the Award Form.

- 15.2 Neither Party is liable to the other for:
  - 15.2.1 any indirect Losses; and
  - 15.2.2 Loss of profits, turnover, savings, business opportunities or damage to goodwill (in each case whether direct or indirect).
- 15.3 In spite of Clause 15.1, neither Party limits or excludes any of the following:
  - 15.3.1 its liability for death or personal injury caused by its negligence, or that of its employees, agents or Subcontractors;

- 15.3.2 its liability for bribery or fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation by it or its employees; and
- 15.3.3 any liability that cannot be excluded or limited by Law.
- 15.4 In spite of Clause 15.1, the Supplier does not limit or exclude its liability for any indemnity given under Clauses 7.5, 9.3, 16.3 or Schedule 7 (Staff Transfer) of the Contract.
- 15.5 In spite of Clause 15.1, but subject to Clauses 15.2 and 15.3, the Supplier's total aggregate liability in each Contract Year under Clause 18.8.5 is no more than the Data Protection Liability Cap.
- 15.6 Each Party must use all reasonable endeavours to mitigate any Loss or damage which it suffers under or in connection with the Contract, including any indemnities.
- 15.7 When calculating the Supplier's liability under Clause 15.1 the following items will not be taken into consideration:
  - 15.7.1 Deductions; and
  - 15.7.2 any items specified in Clause 15.4.
- 15.8 Not used.

#### 16. Obeying the law

- 16.1 The Supplier shall comply with the provisions of Schedule 26 (Sustainability).
- 16.2 The Supplier shall comply with the provisions of:
  - 16.2.1 the Official Secrets Acts 1911 to 1989; and
  - 16.2.2 section 182 of the Finance Act 1989.
- 16.3 The Supplier indemnifies the Buyer against any costs resulting from any Default by the Supplier relating to any applicable Law.
- 16.4 The Supplier must appoint a Compliance Officer who must be responsible for ensuring that the Supplier complies with Law, Clause 16.1 and Clauses 31 to 36.

#### 17. Insurance

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

#### 18. Data protection

- 18.1 The Parties must process Personal Data and ensure its Staff process Personal Data only in accordance with Schedule 20.
- 18.2 The Supplier must not remove any ownership or security notices in or relating to the Government Data.

- 18.3 Not used.
- 18.4 Not used
- 18.5 Not used
- 18.6 Not used
- 18.7 Not used
- 18.8 The Supplier:
  - 18.8.1 Not used;
  - 18.8.2 Not used;
  - 18.8.3 Not used;
  - 18.8.4 Not used
  - 18.8.5 indemnifies the Buyer against any and all Losses incurred if the Supplier breaches Clause 18 or any Data Protection Legislation except insofar as such Losses have been caused by any act or omission by or on the part of, or in accordance with the instructions of the Buyer, its employees or agents.

#### 19. What you must keep confidential

- 19.1 Each Party must:
  - 19.1.1 keep all Confidential Information it receives confidential and secure;
  - 19.1.2 not disclose, use or exploit the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information without the Disclosing Party's prior written consent, except for the purposes anticipated under the Contract; and
  - 19.1.3 immediately notify the Disclosing Party if it suspects unauthorised access, copying, use or disclosure of the Confidential Information.
- 19.2 In spite of Clause 19.1, a Party may disclose Confidential Information which it receives from the Disclosing Party in any of the following instances:
  - 19.2.1 where disclosure is required by applicable Law, a regulatory body or a court with the relevant jurisdiction if the Recipient Party notifies the Disclosing Party of the full circumstances, the affected Confidential Information and extent of the disclosure;
  - 19.2.2 if the Recipient Party already had the information without obligation of confidentiality before it was disclosed by the Disclosing Party;
  - 19.2.3 if the information was given to it by a third party without obligation of confidentiality;
  - 19.2.4 if the information was in the public domain at the time of the disclosure;
  - 19.2.5 if the information was independently developed without access to the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information;

- 19.2.6 on a confidential basis, to its auditors or for the purpose of regulatory requirements;
- 19.2.7 on a confidential basis, to its professional advisers on a need-toknow basis in accordance with the Disclosure Protocol; and
- 19.2.8 to the Serious Fraud Office where the Recipient Party has reasonable grounds to believe that the Disclosing Party is involved in activity that may be a criminal offence under the Bribery Act 2010.
- 19.3 The Supplier may disclose Confidential Information on a confidential basis to Supplier Staff on a need-to-know basis to allow the Supplier to meet its obligations under the Contract. The Supplier Staff must enter into a direct confidentiality agreement with the Buyer at its request.
- 19.4 Subject always to the Data Sharing Agreement, the Buyer may disclose Confidential Information in any of the following cases:
  - 19.4.1 on a confidential basis to the employees, agents, consultants and contractors of the Buyer;
  - 19.4.2 on a confidential basis to any other Central Government Body, any successor body to a Central Government Body or any company that the Buyer transfers or proposes to transfer all or any part of its business to;
  - 19.4.3 if the Buyer (acting reasonably) considers disclosure necessary or appropriate to carry out its public functions;
  - 19.4.4 where requested by Parliament;
  - 19.4.5 under Clauses 4.6 and 20; and
  - 19.4.6 in accordance with the Disclosure Protocol where the information being disclosed falls within this.
- 19.5 For the purposes of Clauses 19.2 to 19.4 references to disclosure on a confidential basis means disclosure under a confidentiality agreement or arrangement including terms as strict as those required in Clause 19.
- 19.6 Transparency Information and any Information which is exempt from disclosure by Clause 20 is not Confidential Information.
- 19.7 Subject to the requirements of clause 20, the Parties must not make any press announcement or publicise this Contract or any part of it in any way, without the prior written consent of the other Party and must use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that each of their staff do not either.

#### 20. When you can share information

20.1 The Parties acknowledge the duties of the Supplier and the Buyer under the FOIA and EIR (as defined below) and shall give each other all reasonable assistance as appropriate or necessary to enable compliance with those duties.

- 20.2 Where a Party receives a request for information under FOIA or EIR it will liaise with other Party within five (5) Working Days of receiving the request as to the contents of any response (or any information required to respond) to enable the recipient to::
  - 20.2.1 publish the Transparency Information;
  - 20.2.2 comply with any Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request; and
  - 20.2.3 comply with any Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) request.
- 20.3 No Party is permitted to respond to a Request for Information under this Clause 20 without providing a complete copy of the request to the other Party and taking into account that Party's comments on the response to the request and the extent to which any exemptions may apply (unless it is prohibited by law). For the avoidance of doubt, the ultimate decision on whether any exemption under FOIA or exception under EIR applies to any information and the extent, content and format of the disclosure to the Request for Information, is a decision solely for the party to whom a request for information is addressed.

### 21. Invalid parts of the contract

- 21.1 If any part of the Contract is prohibited by Law or judged by a court to be unlawful, void or unenforceable, it must be read as if it was removed from the Contract as much as required and rendered ineffective as far as possible without affecting the rest of the Contract, whether it's valid or enforceable.
- 21.2 If any removal under Clause 21.1 is so fundamental that it prevents the purpose of the Contract from being achieved or it materially changes the balance of risk and rewards between the Parties, either Party may give notice to the other Party requiring the Parties to commence good faith negotiations to rectify these issues and to amend the Contract accordingly so that, as amended, it is valid and enforceable, preserves the balance of risks and rewards in this Contract and, to the extent that it is reasonably possible, achieves the Parties' original commercial intention.
- 21.3 If the Parties cannot agree on what amendments are required within 5 Working Days of commencing the negotiations pursuant to clause 21.2, the matter will be dealt with via commercial negotiation as set out in Clause 39.1 and, if there is no resolution within 30 Working Days of the matter being referred, the Contract will terminate automatically and immediately with costs lying where they fall.

#### 22. No other terms apply,

The provisions incorporated into the Contract, Disclosure Protocol and the Data Sharing Agreement are the entire agreement between the Parties. The Contract, Disclosure Protocol and the Data Sharing Agreement replace all previous statements, or agreements whether written or oral. No other provisions apply.

### 23. Other people's rights in the Contract

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

### 24. Circumstances beyond your control

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

#### 25. Relationships created by the contract

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

### 26. Giving up contract rights

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

### 27. Transferring responsibilities

- 27.1 The Supplier cannot assign, novate or in any other way dispose of the Contract or any part of it without the Buyer's written consent.
- 27.2 Not used.
- 27.3 The Buyer can assign, novate or transfer its Contract or any part of it to any Crown Body, public or private sector body which performs the functions of the Buyer.

- 27.4 When the Buyer uses its rights under Clause 27.3 the Supplier must enter into a novation agreement in the form that the Buyer specifies.
- 27.5 The Supplier can terminate the Contract novated under Clause 27.3 to a private sector body that is experiencing an Insolvency Event.
- 27.6 The Supplier remains responsible for all acts and omissions of the Supplier Staff as if they were its own.
- 27.7 Not used.

#### 28. Changing the contract

- 28.1 Either Party can request a Variation to the Contract which is only effective if agreed in writing, including where it is set out in the Variation Form, and signed by both Parties.
- 28.2 The Supplier must provide an Impact Assessment either:
  - 28.2.1 with the Variation Form, where the Supplier requests the Variation; and
  - 28.2.2 within the time limits included in a Variation Form requested by the Buyer.
- 28.3 If the Variation to the Contract cannot be agreed or resolved by the Parties, the Parties can either:
  - 28.3.1 agree that the Contract continues without the Variation; and/or
  - 28.3.2 refer the Dispute to be resolved using Clause 39 (Resolving Disputes).
- 28.4 The Buyer is not required to accept a Variation request made by the Supplier.
- 28.5 The Supplier may only reject a Variation requested by the Buyer if the Supplier:
  - 28.5.1 reasonably believes that the Variation would materially and adversely affect the risks to the health and safety of any person or that it would result in the Deliverables being provided in a way that infringes any Law; or
  - 28.5.2 demonstrates to the Buyer's reasonable satisfaction that the Variation is technically impossible to implement and that the Specification does not state that the Supplier has the required technical capacity or flexibility to implement the Variation.

28.6.1 If there is a General Change in Law, the Supplier must bear the risk of the change and is not entitled to ask for an increase to the Charges unless clause 28.6.2 applies.

28.6.2 Where there is a General Change in Law that has a direct effect on the supply of the Services and the performance of this Contract so that the costs of performing the Services is increased, the provisions of clause 28.7 shall apply.

28.7 Where clause 28.6.2 applies or where there is a Specific Change in Law or one is likely to happen during the Contract Period the Supplier must give the

Buyer notice of the likely effects of the changes as soon as reasonably practical. They must also say if they think any Variation is needed either to the Deliverables, the Charges or the Contract and provide evidence:

- 28.7.1 that the Supplier has kept costs as low as possible, including in Subcontractor costs; and
- 28.7.2 of how it has affected the Supplier's costs.
- 28.8 Any change in the Charges or relief from the Supplier's obligations because of a Specific Change in Law must be implemented using Clauses 28.1 to 28.4.

#### 29. How to communicate about the contract

- 29.1 All notices under the Contract must be in writing and are considered effective on the Working Day of delivery as long as they're delivered before 5:00pm on a Working Day. Otherwise the notice is effective on the next Working Day. An email is effective at 9am on the first Working Day after sending unless an error message is received.
- 29.2 Notices to the Buyer must be sent to the Buyer Authorised Representative's address or email address in the Award Form.
- 29.3 This Clause does not apply to the service of legal proceedings or any documents in any legal action, arbitration or dispute resolution.

#### 30. Dealing with claims

- 30.1 If a Beneficiary is notified of a Claim then it must notify the Indemnifier as soon as reasonably practical and no later than 10 Working Days.
- 30.2 At the Indemnifier's cost the Beneficiary must both:
  - 30.2.1 allow the Indemnifier to conduct all negotiations and proceedings to do with a Claim; and
  - 30.2.2 give the Indemnifier reasonable assistance with the claim if requested.
- 30.3 The Beneficiary must not make admissions about the Claim without the prior written consent of the Indemnifier which cannot be unreasonably withheld or delayed.
- 30.4 The Indemnifier must consider and defend the Claim diligently using competent legal advisors and in a way that doesn't damage the Beneficiary's reputation.
- 30.5 The Indemnifier must not settle or compromise any Claim without the Beneficiary's prior written consent which it must not unreasonably withhold or delay.
- 30.6 Each Beneficiary must use all reasonable endeavours to minimise and mitigate any losses that it suffers because of the Claim.

- 30.7 If the Indemnifier pays the Beneficiary money under an indemnity and the Beneficiary later recovers money which is directly related to the Claim, the Beneficiary must immediately repay the Indemnifier the lesser of either:
  - 30.7.1 the sum recovered minus any legitimate amount spent by the Beneficiary when recovering this money; and
  - 30.7.2 the amount the Indemnifier paid the Beneficiary for the Claim.

#### 31. Preventing fraud, bribery and corruption

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

operate with any investigation and allow the Audit of any books, records and relevant documentation.

- 31.5 If the Supplier is in Default under Clause 31.1 the Buyer may:
  - 31.5.1 require the Supplier to remove any Supplier Staff from providing the Deliverables if their acts or omissions have caused the Default; and
  - 31.5.2 immediately terminate this agreement.
- 31.6 In any notice a Party gives under Clause 31.4 it must specify the:
  - 31.6.1 Prohibited Act;
  - 31.6.2 identity of the Party who it thinks has committed the Prohibited Act; and
  - 31.6.3 action it has decided to take.

#### 32. Equality, diversity and human rights

- 32.1 Each Party must follow all applicable equality Law when they perform their obligations under the Contract, including:
  - 32.1.1 protections against discrimination on the grounds of race, sex, gender reassignment, religion or belief, disability, sexual orientation, pregnancy, maternity, age or otherwise; and
  - 32.1.2 any other requirements related to equality Law.
- 32.2 The Supplier must use all reasonable endeavours, and inform the Buyer of the steps taken, to prevent anything that is considered to be unlawful discrimination by any court or tribunal, or the Equality and Human Rights Commission (or any successor organisation) when working on the Contract.

#### 33. Health and safety

- 33.1 The Supplier must perform its obligations meeting the requirements of:
  - 33.1.1 all applicable Law regarding health and safety; and
  - 33.1.2 not used.
- 33.2 The Supplier must as soon as possible notify the other of any health and safety incidents or material hazards they're aware of at the Buyer Premises that relate to the performance of the Contract.

#### 34. Environment – Not Used

#### 35. Tax

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

- 35.2 Where the Charges payable under the Contract are or are likely to exceed £5 million at any point during the relevant Contract Period, and an Occasion of Tax Non-Compliance occurs, the Supplier must notify the Buyer of it within 5 Working Days including:
  - 35.2.1 the steps that the Supplier is taking to address the Occasion of Tax Non-Compliance and any mitigating factors that it considers relevant; and
  - 35.2.2 other information relating to the Occasion of Tax Non-Compliance that the Buyer may reasonably need.
- 35.3 Where the Supplier or any Supplier Staff are liable to be taxed or to pay National Insurance contributions in the UK relating to payment received under the Contract, the Supplier must both:
  - 35.3.1 comply with the Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003 and all other statutes and regulations relating to income tax, the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 (including IR35) and National Insurance contributions; and
  - 35.3.2 indemnify the Buyer against any Income Tax, National Insurance and social security contributions and any other liability, deduction, contribution, assessment or claim arising from or made during or after the Contract Period in connection with the provision of the Deliverables by the Supplier or any of the Supplier Staff.
- 35.4 If any of the Supplier Staff are Workers who receive payment relating to the Deliverables, then the Supplier must ensure that its contract with the Worker contains the following requirements:
  - 35.4.1 the Buyer may, at any time during the Contract Period, request that the Worker provides information which demonstrates they comply with Clause 35.3.1, or why those requirements do not apply, the Buyer can specify the information the Worker must provide and the deadline for responding;
  - 35.4.2 the Worker's contract may be terminated at the Buyer's request if the Worker fails to provide the information requested by the Buyer within the time specified by the Buyer;
  - 35.4.3 the Worker's contract may be terminated at the Buyer's request if the Worker provides information which the Buyer considers isn't good enough to demonstrate how it complies with Clause 35.3.1 or confirms that the Worker is not complying with those requirements; and
  - 35.4.4 the Buyer may supply any information they receive from the Worker to HMRC for revenue collection and management.

### **36.** Conflict of interest

- 36.1 The Parties must take action to ensure that neither they nor their staff are placed in the position of an actual, potential or perceived Conflict of Interest.
- 36.2 Each Party must promptly notify and provide details to the other Party if an actual, potential or perceived Conflict of Interest happens or is expected to happen.
- 36.3 The Buyer will consider whether there are any appropriate measures that can be put in place to remedy an actual, perceived or potential Conflict of Interest. If, in the reasonable opinion of the Buyer, such measures do not or will not resolve an actual or potential Conflict of Interest, the Buyer may terminate its Contract immediately by giving notice in writing to the Supplier where there is or may be an actual or potential Conflict of Interest.

#### 37. Reporting a breach of the contract

- 37.1 As soon as it is aware of it a party must report to other Party any actual or suspected breach of:
  - 37.1.1 Law;
  - 37.1.2 Clause 16.1; and
  - 37.1.3 Clauses 31 to 36.
- 37.2 The Supplier must not retaliate against any of the Supplier Staff who in good faith reports a breach listed in Clause 37.1 to the Buyer or a Prescribed Person.

#### 38. Further Assurances

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

#### **39.** Resolving disputes

- 39.1 If there is a Dispute, the senior representatives of the Parties who have authority to settle the Dispute will, within 28 days of a written request from the other Party, meet in good faith to resolve the Dispute by commercial negotiation.
- 39.2 If the Parties cannot resolve the Dispute via commercial negotiation, they can attempt to settle it by mediation using the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR) Model Mediation Procedure current at the time of the Dispute. If the Parties cannot agree on a mediator, the mediator will be nominated by CEDR. If either Party does not wish to use, or continue to use mediation, or mediation does not resolve the Dispute, the Dispute must be resolved using Clauses 39.3 to 39.5.

- 39.3 Unless a Party refer the Dispute to arbitration using Clause 39.4, the Parties irrevocably agree that the courts of England and Wales have the exclusive jurisdiction to:
  - 39.3.1 determine the Dispute;
  - 39.3.2 grant interim remedies; and
  - 39.3.3 grant any other provisional or protective relief.
- 39.4 Either Party has the right to refer any Dispute to be finally resolved by arbitration under the London Court of International Arbitration Rules current at the time of the Dispute. There will be only one arbitrator. The seat or legal place of the arbitration will be London and the proceedings will be in English.
- 39.5 Either Party has the right to refer a Dispute to arbitration even if the other Party has started or has attempted to start court proceedings under Clause 39.3, unless the Party who seeks to refer a Dispute to arbitration, has agreed to the court proceedings or participated in them. Even if court proceedings have started, the Parties must do everything necessary to ensure that the court proceedings are stayed in favour of any arbitration proceedings if they are started under Clause 39.4.
- 39.6 The Supplier cannot suspend the performance of the Contract during any Dispute and the Buyer cannot withhold the payment for undisputed Charges of Services being provided during the Dispute.

#### 40. Which law applies

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

# Schedule 1 (Definitions)

#### 1. DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 In the Contract, unless the context otherwise requires, capitalised expressions shall have the meanings set out in this Schedule 1 (Definitions) or the relevant Schedule in which that capitalised expression appears.
- 1.2 If a capitalised expression does not have an interpretation in this Schedule or any other Schedule, it shall, in the first instance, be interpreted in accordance with the common interpretation within the relevant market sector/industry where appropriate. Otherwise, it shall be interpreted in accordance with the dictionary meaning.
- 1.3 In the Contract, unless the context otherwise requires:
  - 1.3.1 the singular includes the plural and vice versa;
  - 1.3.2 reference to a gender includes the other gender and the neuter;
  - 1.3.3 references to a person include an individual, company, body corporate, corporation, unincorporated association, firm, partnership or other legal entity or Crown Body;
  - 1.3.4 a reference to any Law includes a reference to that Law as amended, extended, consolidated or re-enacted from time to time;
  - 1.3.5 the words "including", "other", "in particular", "for example" and similar words shall not limit the generality of the preceding words and shall be construed as if they were immediately followed by the words "without limitation";
  - 1.3.6 references to "writing" include typing, printing, lithography, photography, display on a screen, electronic and facsimile transmission and other modes of representing or reproducing words in a visible form, and expressions referring to writing shall be construed accordingly;
  - 1.3.7 references to "representations" shall be construed as references to present facts, to "warranties" as references to present and future facts and to "undertakings" as references to obligations under the Contract;
  - 1.3.8 references to "Clauses" and "Schedules" are, unless otherwise provided, references to the clauses and schedules of the Core Terms and references in any Schedule to parts, paragraphs, annexes and tables are, unless otherwise provided, references to the parts, paragraphs, annexes and tables of the Schedule in which these references appear;
  - 1.3.9 references to "Paragraphs" are, unless otherwise provided, references to the paragraph of the appropriate Schedules unless otherwise provided; and
  - 1.3.10 references to a series of Clauses or Paragraphs shall be inclusive of the clause numbers specified.

- 1.3.11 the headings in the Contract are for ease of reference only and shall not affect the interpretation or construction of the Contract; and
- 1.3.12 where the Buyer is a Crown Body it shall be treated as contracting with the Crown as a whole.
- 1.3.13 Any reference in this Contract which immediately before IP Completion Day (or such later date when relevant EU law ceases to have effect pursuant to Section 1A of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018) is a reference to (as it has effect from time to time):
  - (I) any EU regulation, EU decision, EU tertiary legislation or provision of the EEA agreement ("EU References") which is to form part of domestic law by application of Section 3 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 and which shall be read on and after IP Completion Day as a reference to the EU References as they form part of domestic law by virtue of Section 3 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 as modified by domestic law from time to time; and
  - (ii) any EU institution or EU authority or other such EU body shall be read on and after IP Completion Day as a reference to the UK institution, authority or body to which its functions were transferred.
- 1.4 In the Contract, unless the context otherwise requires, the following words shall have the following meanings:

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"Achieve"	in respect of a Test, to successfully pass such Test without any Test Issues and in respect of a Milestone, the issue of a Satisfaction Certificate in respect of that Milestone and " <b>Achieved</b> ", " <b>Achieving</b> " and " <b>Achievement</b> " shall be construed accordingly;
"Affected Party"	the party seeking to claim relief in respect of a Force Majeure Event;
"Affiliates"	in relation to a body corporate, any other entity which directly or indirectly Controls, is Controlled by, or is under direct or indirect common Control of that body corporate from time to time;
"Allowable Assumptions"	means the assumptions (if any) set out in Annex 2 of Schedule 3 (Charges);
"Annex"	extra information which supports a Schedule;
"Approval"	the prior written consent of the Buyer and " <b>Approve</b> " and " <b>Approved</b> " shall be construed accordingly;
"Associates"	means, in relation to an entity, an undertaking in which the entity owns, directly or indirectly, between 20% and 50% of the voting rights and

	exercises a degree of control sufficient for the undertaking to be treated as an associate under generally accepted accounting principles;	
"Audit"	the Buyer's right to:	
	(a) verify the integrity and content of any Financial Report;	
	<ul> <li>(b) verify the accuracy of the Charges and any other amounts payable by the Buyer under a Contract (including proposed or actual variations to them in accordance with the Contract);</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(c) verify the costs of the Supplier (including the costs of all Subcontractors and any third party suppliers) in connection with the provision of the Services;</li> </ul>	
	(d) verify the Open Book Data;	
	(e) verify the Supplier's and each Subcontractor's compliance with the applicable Law;	
	<ul> <li>(f) identify or investigate actual or suspected breach of Clauses 3 to 37 and/or Schedule 26 (Sustainability), impropriety or accounting mistakes or any breach or threatened breach of security and in these circumstances the Buyer shall have no obligation to inform the Supplier of the purpose or objective of its investigations;</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(g) identify or investigate any circumstances which may impact upon the financial stability of the Supplier, any Guarantor, and/or any Subcontractors or their ability to provide the Deliverables;</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(h) obtain such information as is necessary to fulfil the Buyer's obligations to supply information for parliamentary, ministerial, judicial or administrative purposes including the supply of information to the Comptroller and Auditor General;</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(i) review any books of account and the internal contract management accounts kept by the Supplier in connection with the Contract;</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(j) carry out the Buyer's internal and statutory audits and to prepare, examine and/or certify the Buyer's annual and interim reports and accounts;</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(k) enable the National Audit Office to carry out an examination pursuant to Section 6(1) of the National Audit Act 1983 of the economy, efficiency and effectiveness with which the Buyer has used its resources;</li> </ul>	
"Auditor"	(a) the Buyer's internal and external auditors;	
	(b) the Buyer's statutory or regulatory auditors;	
	(c) the Comptroller and Auditor General, their staff and/or any appointed representatives of the National Audit Office;	

	(d) HM Treasury or the Cabinet Office;	
	<ul> <li>(e) any party formally appointed by the Buyer to carry out audit or similar review functions; and</li> </ul>	
	(f) successors or assigns of any of the above;	
"Award Form"	the document outlining the Incorporated Terms and crucial information required for the Contract, to be executed by the Supplier and the Buyer;	
"Beneficiary"	a Party having (or claiming to have) the benefit of an indemnity under this Contract;	
"Buyer"	the public sector purchaser identified as such in the Order Form;	
"Buyer Assets"	the Buyer's infrastructure, data, software, materials, assets, equipment or other property owned by and/or licensed or leased to the Buyer and which is or may be used in connection with the provision of the Deliverables which remain the property of the Buyer throughout the term of the Contract;	
"Buyer Authorised Representative"	the representative appointed by the Buyer from time to time in relation to the Contract initially identified in the Award Form;	
"Buyer Cause"	has the meaning given to it in the Award Form;	
"Buyer Data"	means the data, text, drawings, diagrams, images or sounds (together with any database made up of any of these) which are embodied in any electronic, magnetic, optical or tangible media, including any Buyer's or End User's Confidential Information, and which:	
	(a) are supplied to the Supplier by or on behalf of the Buyer, or End User; or	
	(b) the Supplier is required to generate, process, store or transmit pursuant to this Contract; or	
	(c) any Personal Data for which the Buyer or End User is the Controller;	
"Buyer Existing IPR"	means any and all IPR that are owned by or licensed to the Buyer, and where the Buyer is a Central Government Body, any Crown IPR, and which are or have been developed independently of the Contract (whether prior to the Start Date or otherwise)	
"Buyer Premises"	premises owned, controlled or occupied by the Buyer which are made available for use by the Supplier or its Subcontractors for the provision of the Deliverables (or any of them);	

"Buyer Third Party"	means any supplier to the Buyer (other than the Supplier), which is notified to the Supplier from time to time;	
"Buyer's Confidential Information"	<ul> <li>(a) all Personal Data and any information, however it is conveyed, that relates to the business, affairs, developments, property rights, trade secrets, Know-How and IPR of the Buyer (including all Buyer Existing IPR and New IPR);</li> </ul>	
	(b) any other information clearly designated as being confidential (whether or not it is marked "confidential") or which ought reasonably be considered confidential which comes (or has come) to the Buyer's attention or into the Buyer's possession in connection with the Contract; and	
	information derived from any of the above;	
"Central Government Body"	a body listed in one of the following sub-categories of the Central Government classification of the Public Sector Classification Guide, as published and amended from time to time by the Office for National Statistics:	
	(a) Government Department;	
	<ul> <li>(b) Non-Departmental Public Body or Assembly Sponsored Public Body (advisory, executive, or tribunal);</li> </ul>	
	(c) Non-Ministerial Department; or	
	(d) Executive Agency;	
"Change in Law"	any change in Law which impacts on the supply of the Deliverables and performance of the Contract which comes into force after the Start Date;	
"Change of Control"	a change of control within the meaning of Section 450 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010;	
"Charges"	the prices (exclusive of any applicable VAT), payable to the Supplier by the Buyer under the Contract, as set out in the Award Form and Schedule 3, for the full and proper performance by the Supplier of its obligations under the Contract;	
"Claim"	any claim which it appears that a Beneficiary is, or may become, entitled to indemnification under this Contract;	
"Commercially Sensitive Information"	the Confidential Information listed in the Award Form (if any) comprising of commercially sensitive information relating to the Supplier, its IPR or its business or which the Supplier has indicated to the Buyer that, if disclosed by the Buyer, would cause the Supplier significant commercial disadvantage or material financial loss;	

"Compliance Officer"	the person(s) appointed by the Supplier who is responsible for ensuring that the Supplier complies with its legal obligations;	
"Confidential Information"	means any information, however it is conveyed, that relates to the business, affairs, developments, trade secrets, Know-How, personnel and suppliers of the Buyer or the Supplier, including IPRs, together with information derived from the above, and any other information clearly designated as being confidential (whether or not it is marked as "confidential") or which ought reasonably to be considered to be confidential;	
"Conflict of Interest"	a conflict between the financial or personal duties of the Supplier or the Supplier Staff and the duties owed to the Buyer under the Contract, in the reasonable opinion of the Buyer;	
"Contract"	the contract between the Buyer and the Supplier, which consists of the terms set out and referred to in the Award Form;	
"Contract Period"	<ul> <li>the term of the Contract from the earlier of the:</li> <li>(a) Start Date; or</li> <li>(b) the Effective Date</li> <li>(c) until the End Date;</li> </ul>	
"Contract Value"	the higher of the actual or expected total Charges paid or payable under the Contract where all obligations are met by the Supplier, the value as at the Effective Date being set out in Section 20 (Charges) of the Award Form;	
"Contract Year"	a consecutive period of twelve (12) Months commencing on the Start Date or each anniversary thereof;	
"Control"	control in either of the senses defined in sections 450 and 1124 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 and " <b>Controlled</b> " shall be construed accordingly;	
"Controller"	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR or the EU GDPR as the context requires;	
"Core Terms"	the Buyer's terms and conditions which apply to and comprise one part of the Contract set out in the document called "Core Terms";	
"Costs"	the following costs (without double recovery) to the extent that they are reasonably and properly incurred by the Supplier in providing the Deliverables:	

		(a)	the cost to the Supplier or the Key Subcontractor (as the context requires), calculated per Work Day, of engaging the Supplier Staff, including:	
			(i)	base salary paid to the Supplier Staff;
			(ii)	employer's National Insurance contributions;
			(iii)	pension contributions;
			(iv)	car allowances;
			(v)	any other contractual employment benefits;
			(vi)	staff training;
			(vii)	work place accommodation;
			(viii)	work place IT equipment and tools reasonably necessary to provide the Deliverables (but not including items included within limb (b) below); and
			(ix)	reasonable recruitment costs, as agreed with the Buyer;
		(b)	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;	
		(c)	the ex	tional costs which are not included within (a) or (b) above, to tent that such costs are necessary and properly incurred by pplier in the provision of the Deliverables; and
		(d)	allowa	ursable Expenses to the extent these have been specified as ble in the Award Form and are incurred in delivering any rables;
		but	excludir	ng:
(6		(e)	Overhead;	
		(f)	financ	ing or similar costs;
		(g)	mainte	enance and support costs to the extent that these relate to enance and/or support Deliverables provided beyond the act Period whether in relation to Supplier Assets or vise;
		(h)	taxatio	on;
		(i)	fines a	nd penalties;
		(j)		nts payable under Schedule 12 (Benchmarking) where such ule is used; and

	<ul> <li>(k) non-cash items (including depreciation, amortisation, impairments and movements in provisions);</li> </ul>	
"Crown Body"	the government of the United Kingdom (including the Northern Ireland Assembly and Executive Committee, the Scottish Government and the National Assembly for Wales), including government ministers and government departments and particular bodies, persons, commissions or agencies from time to time carrying out functions on its behalf;	
"Crown IPR"	means any IPR which is owned by or licensed to the Crown, and which are or have been developed independently of the Contract (whether prior to the Start Date or otherwise);	
"CRTPA"	the Contract Rights of Third Parties Act 1999;	
"Data Protection Impact Assessment"	an assessment by the Controller of the impact of the envisaged Processing on the protection of Personal Data;	
"Data Protection Legislation"	(i) the UK GDPR, (ii) the DPA 2018 to the extent that it relates to processing of personal data and privacy; (iii) all applicable Law about the processing of personal data and privacy; and (iv) (to the extent that it applies) the EU GDPR;	
"Data Protection Liability Cap"	has the meaning given to it in the Award Form;	
"Data Protection Officer"	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR or the EU GDPR as the context requires;	
"Data Sharing Agreement"	the data sharing agreement entered into between the Parties dated 2 March 2023, a copy of which is at Schedule 20;	
"Data Subject"	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR or the EU GDPR as the context requires;	
"Data Subject Access Request"	a request made by, or on behalf of, a Data Subject in accordance with rights granted pursuant to the Data Protection Legislation to access their Personal Data;	
"Default"	any breach of the obligations of a Party (including abandonment of the Contract in breach of its terms) or any other default (including material default), act, omission, negligence or statement of that Party, of its Subcontractors or staff howsoever arising in connection with or in relation to the subject-matter of the Contract and in respect of which that Party is liable to the other Party;	

"Deliverables"	Goods and/or Services that may be ordered under the Contract including the Documentation as set out in the Award Form;		
"Delivery"	delivery of the relevant Deliverable in accordance with the terms of the Contract as confirmed and accepted by the Buyer by the either (a) confirmation in writing to the Supplier; or (b) where Schedule 8 (Implementation Plan and Testing) is used issue by the Buyer of a Satisfaction Certificate. " <b>Deliver</b> " and " <b>Delivered</b> " shall be construed accordingly;		
"Disaster"	the occurrence of one or more events which, either separately or cumulatively, mean that the Deliverables, or a material part thereof will be unavailable (or could reasonably be anticipated to be unavailable) for the period specified in the Award Form (for the purposes of this definition the <b>"Disaster Period</b> ");		
"Disclosing Party"	the Party directly or indirectly providing Confidential Information to the other Party in accordance with Clause 19 (What you must keep confidential);		
"Disclosure Protocol"	the information protocol agreed between the Parties and set out at Schedule 38;		
"Dispute"	any claim, dispute or difference (whether contractual or non- contractual) arising out of or in connection with the Contract or in connection with the negotiation, existence, legal validity, enforceability or termination of the Contract, whether the alleged liability shall arise under English law or under the law of some other country and regardless of whether a particular cause of action may successfully be brought in the English courts;		
"Dispute Resolution Procedure"	the dispute resolution procedure set out in Clause 39 (Resolving disputes);		
"Documentation"	descriptions of the Services and Service Levels, technical specifications, user manuals, training manuals, operating manuals, process definitions and procedures, system environment descriptions and all such other documentation (whether in hardcopy or electronic form) is required to be supplied by the Supplier to the Buyer under the Contract as:		
	<ul> <li>(a) would reasonably be required by a competent third party capable of Good Industry Practice contracted by the Buyer to develop, configure, build, deploy, run, maintain, upgrade and test the individual systems that provide the Deliverables</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>(b) is required by the Supplier in order to provide the Deliverables; and/or</li> </ul>		

	(c) has been or shall be generated for the purpose of providing the		
	Deliverables;		
"DOTAS"	the Disclosure of Tax Avoidance Schemes rules which require a promoter of tax schemes to tell HMRC of any specified notifiable arrangements or proposals and to provide prescribed information on those arrangements or proposals within set time limits as contained in Part 7 of the Finance Act 2004 and in secondary legislation made under vires contained in Part 7 of the Finance Act 2004 and as extended to National Insurance Contributions;		
"DPA 2018"	The Data Protection Act 2018		
"Due Diligence Information"	any information supplied to the Supplier by or on behalf of the Buyer prior to the Start Date;		
"Effective Date"	the date on which the final Party has signed the Contract;		
"EIR"	the Environmental Information Regulations 2004;		
"Employment Regulations"	the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 (SI 2006/246) as amended or replaced;		
"End Date"	the earlier of:		
	(a) the Expiry Date; or		
	<ul> <li>(b) if the Contract is terminated before the date specified in (a) above, the date of termination of the Contract;</li> </ul>		
"End User"	means a party that is accessing the Deliverables provided pursuant to this Contract (including the Buyer where it is accessing services on its own account as a user);		
"Environmental Policy"	to conserve energy, water, wood, paper and other resources, reduce waste and phase out the use of ozone depleting substances and minimise the release of greenhouse gases, volatile organic compounds and other substances damaging to health and the environment, including any written environmental policy of the Buyer;		
"Equality and Human Rights Commission"	the UK Government body named as such as may be renamed or replaced by an equivalent body from time to time;		
"Escalation Meeting"	means a meeting between the Supplier Authorised Representative and the Buyer Authorised Representative to address issues that have arisen during the Rectification Plan Process;		
"Estimated Yearly Charges"	means for the purposes of calculating each Party's annual liability under Clause 15.1:		

	(a) in the first Contract Year, the estimated Year 1 Charges; or	
	<ul> <li>(b) in any subsequent Contract Years, the Charges paid or payable in the previous Contract Year; or</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(c) after the end of the Contract, the Charges paid or payable in the last Contract Year during the Contract Period;</li> </ul>	
"EU"	European Union	
"EU GDPR"	Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data (General Data Protection Regulation) as it has effect in EU law;	
"Existing IPR"	any and all IPR that are owned by or licensed to either Party and which are or have been developed independently of the Contract (whether prior to the Start Date or otherwise);	
"Exit Plan"	has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 4.1 of Schedule 30 (Exit Plan);	
"Expiry Date"	the date of the end of the Contract as stated in the Award Form;	
"Extension Period"	such period or periods beyond which the Initial Period may be extended, specified in the Award Form;	
"Financial Distress	The occurrence of one or more the following events:	
Event"	<ul> <li>(a) the credit rating of any FDE Group entity drops below the applicable Credit Rating Threshold of the relevant Rating Agency;</li> </ul>	
	(b) any FDE Group entity issues a profits warning to a stock exchange or makes any other public announcement, in each case about a material deterioration in its financial position or prospects;	
	<ul> <li>(c) there being a public investigation into improper financial accounting and reporting, suspected fraud or any other impropriety of any FDE Group entity;</li> </ul>	
	<ul><li>(d) any FDE Group entity commits a material breach of covenant to its lenders;</li></ul>	
	<ul> <li>(e) a Key Subcontractor notifies the Buyer that the Supplier has not paid any material sums properly due under a specified invoice and not subject to a genuine dispute;</li> </ul>	
	(f) any FDE Group entity extends the filing period for filing its accounts with the Registrar of Companies so that the filing period ends more than 9 months after its accounting reference date without an explanation to the Buyer which the Buyer (acting reasonably) considers to be adequate;	

	(g)	any FDE Group entity is late to file its annual accounts without a public notification or an explanation to the Buyer which the Buyer (acting reasonably) considers to be adequate;
	(h)	the directors and/or external auditors of any FDE Group entity conclude that a material uncertainty exists in relation to that FDE Group entity's going concern in the annual report including in a reasonable but plausible downside scenario. This includes, but is not limited to, commentary about liquidity and trading prospects in the reports from directors or external auditors;
	(i)	any of the following:
		<ul> <li>(i) any FDE Group entity makes a public announcement which contains commentary with regards to that FDE Group entity's liquidity and trading and trading prospects, such as but not limited to, a profit warning or ability to trade as a going concern;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>(ii) commencement of any litigation against any FDE Group entity with respect to financial indebtedness greater than £5m or obligations under a service contract with a total contract value greater than £5m;</li> </ul>
		<ul><li>(iii) non-payment by any FDE Group entity of any financial indebtedness;</li></ul>
		<ul> <li>(iv) any financial indebtedness of any FDE Group entity becoming due as a result of an event of default;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>(v) the cancellation or suspension of any financial indebtedness in respect of any FDE Group entity; or</li> </ul>
		(vi) an external auditor of any FDE Group entity expressing a qualified opinion on, or including an emphasis of matter in, its opinion on the statutory accounts of that FDE Group entity,
		in each case which the Buyer reasonably believes (or would be likely reasonably to believe) could directly impact on the continued provision of the Deliverables in accordance with the Contract; or
	(j)	any one of the Financial Indicators set out in Part C of Annex 2 of Schedule 24 for any of the FDE Group entities failing to meet the required Financial Target Threshold.
"Financial Report"	a re	port provided by the Supplier to the Buyer that:

<ul> <li>(a) to the extent permitted by Law, provides a true and fair reflection of the Costs and Supplier Profit Margin forecast by the Supplier;</li> <li>(b) to the extent permitted by Law, provides detail a true and fair reflection of the costs and expenses to be incurred by Key Subcontractors (as requested by the Buyer);</li> <li>(c) is in the same software package (Microsoft Excel or Microsoft Word), layout and format as the blank templates which have beer issued by the Buyer to the Supplier on or before the Start Date for the purposes of this Contract; and</li> <li>(d) is certified by the Supplier's Chief Financial Officer or Director of Finance;</li> </ul>
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<ul> <li>Word), layout and format as the blank templates which have been issued by the Buyer to the Supplier on or before the Start Date for the purposes of this Contract; and</li> <li>(d) is certified by the Supplier's Chief Financial Officer or Director of Finance;</li> <li>"FOIA" the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and any subordinate legislation made under that Act from time to time together with any guidance</li> </ul>
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relevant Government department in relation to such legislation;
"Force Majeureany event, circumstance, matter or cause affecting the performance by either the Buyer or the Supplier of its obligations arising from:
<ul> <li>(a) acts, events, omissions, happenings or non-happenings beyond th reasonable control of the Affected Party which prevent or materially delay the Affected Party from performing its obligations under a Contract;</li> </ul>
(b) riots, civil commotion, war or armed conflict, acts of terrorism, nuclear, biological or chemical warfare;
(c) acts of a Crown Body, local government or regulatory bodies;
(d) fire, flood or any disaster; or
(e) an industrial dispute affecting a third party for which a substitute third party is not reasonably available but excluding:
<ul> <li>(x) any industrial dispute relating to the Supplier, the Supplier</li> <li>Staff (including any subsets of them) or any other failure in</li> <li>the Supplier or the Subcontractor's supply chain;</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>(xi) any event, occurrence, circumstance, matter or cause which is attributable to the wilful act, neglect or failure to take reasonable precautions against it by the Party concerned; and</li> </ul>
(xii) any failure of delay caused by a lack of funds,
and which is not attributable to any wilful act, neglect or failure to take reasonable preventative action by that Party;

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"Force Majeure Notice"	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;	
"General Anti-	(a) the legislation in Part 5 of the Finance Act 2013 and; and	
Abuse Rule"	<ul> <li>(b) any future legislation introduced into parliament to counteract tax advantages arising from abusive arrangements to avoid National Insurance contributions;</li> </ul>	
"General Change in Law"	a Change in Law where the change is of a general legislative nature (including taxation or duties of any sort affecting the Supplier) or which affects or relates to a Comparable Supply;	
"Good Industry Practice"	standards, practices, methods and procedures conforming to the Law and the exercise of the degree of skill and care, diligence, prudence and foresight which would reasonably and ordinarily be expected from a skilled and experienced person or body engaged within the relevant industry or business sector;	
"Government"	the government of the United Kingdom (including the Northern Ireland Assembly and Executive Committee, the Scottish Government and the National Assembly for Wales), including government ministers and government departments and other bodies, persons, commissions or agencies from time to time carrying out functions on its behalf;	
"Government Data"	Not used	
"Government Procurement Card"	the Government's preferred method of purchasing and payment for low value goods or services https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government- procurement-card2;	
"Halifax Abuse Principle"	the principle explained in the CJEU Case C-255/02 Halifax and others;	
"HMRC"	Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs;	
"Impact Assessment"	an assessment of the impact of a Variation request by the Buyer completed in good faith, including:	
	<ul> <li>(a) details of the impact of the proposed Variation on the Deliverables and the Supplier's ability to meet its other obligations under the Contract;</li> </ul>	
	(b) details of the cost of implementing the proposed Variation;	
	<ul> <li>(c) details of the ongoing costs required by the proposed Variation when implemented, including any increase or decrease in the Charges (as applicable), any alteration in the resources and/or</li> </ul>	

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	expenditure required by either Party and any alteration to the working practices of either Party;	
	<ul> <li>(d) a timetable for the implementation, together with any proposals for the testing of the Variation; and</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(e) such other information as the Buyer may reasonably request in (or in response to) the Variation request;</li> </ul>	
"Incorporated Terms"	the contractual terms applicable to the Contract specified in the Award Form;	
"Indemnifier"	a Party from whom an indemnity is sought under this Contract;	
"Independent Controller"	a party which is Controller of the same Personal Data as the other Party and there is no element of joint control with regards to that Personal Data;	
"Indexation"	the adjustment of an amount or sum in accordance with the Award Form;	
"Information"	has the meaning given under section 84 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000;	
"Information Commissioner"	the UK's independent authority which deals with ensuring information relating to rights in the public interest and data privacy for individuals is met, whilst promoting openness by public bodies;	
"Insolvency Event"	with respect to any person, means:	
	<ul> <li>(a) that person suspends, or threatens to suspend, payment of its debts, or is unable to pay its debts as they fall due or admits inability to pay its debts, or:</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(i) (being a company or an LLP) is deemed unable to pay its debts within the meaning of section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986, or</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(ii) (being a partnership) is deemed unable to pay its debts</li> <li>within the meaning of section 222 of the Insolvency Act</li> <li>1986;</li> </ul>	
	(b) that person commences negotiations with one or more of its creditors (using a voluntary arrangement, scheme of arrangement or otherwise) with a view to rescheduling any of its debts, or makes a proposal for or enters into any compromise or arrangement with one or more of its creditors or takes any step to obtain a moratorium pursuant to Section 1A and Schedule A1 of the Insolvency Act 1986 other than (in the case of a company, an LLP or a partnership) for the sole purpose of a scheme for a solvent	

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		amalgamation of that person with one or more other companies or the solvent reconstruction of that person;
	(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;
	(d)	a creditor or encumbrancer of that person attaches or takes possession of, or a distress, execution or other such process is levied or enforced on or sued against, the whole or any part of that person's assets and such attachment or process is not discharged within fourteen (14) days;
	(e)	that person suspends or ceases, or threatens to suspend or cease, carrying on all or a substantial part of its business;
	(f)	where that person is a company, an LLP or a partnership:
		<ul> <li>a petition is presented (which is not dismissed within fourteen (14) days of its service), a notice is given, a resolution is passed, or an order is made, for or in connection with the winding up of that person other than for the sole purpose of a scheme for a solvent amalgamation of that person with one or more other companies or the solvent reconstruction of that person;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>(ii) an application is made to court, or an order is made, for the appointment of an administrator, or if a notice of intention to appoint an administrator is filed at Court or given or if an administrator is appointed, over that person;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>(iii) (being a company or an LLP) the holder of a qualifying floating charge over the assets of that person has become entitled to appoint or has appointed an administrative receiver; or</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>(iv) (being a partnership) the holder of an agricultural floating charge over the assets of that person has become entitled to appoint or has appointed an agricultural receiver; or</li> </ul>
	(a)	any event occurs, or proceeding is taken, with respect to that person in any jurisdiction to which it is subject that has an effect equivalent or similar to any of the events mentioned above;
"Intellectual Property Rights" or "IPR"	(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;

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

	<ul> <li>(c) with a Sub-Contract with the Contract value which at the time of appointment exceeds (or would exceed if appointed) 10% of the aggregate Charges forecast to be payable under the Contract,</li> <li>and the Supplier shall list all such Key Subcontractors in section 29 of the Award Form;</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 Start Date;	
"Law"	any law, subordinate legislation within the meaning of Section 21(1) of the Interpretation Act 1978, bye-law, right within the meaning of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 as amended by European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Act 2020, regulation, order, regulatory policy, mandatory guidance or code of practice, judgment of a relevant court of law, or directives or requirements of any regulatory body with which the Supplier is bound to comply;	
"Law Enforcement Processing"	processing under Part 3 of the DPA 2018;	
"Losses"	all losses, liabilities, damages, costs, expenses (including legal fees), disbursements, costs of investigation, litigation, settlement, judgment, interest and penalties whether arising in contract, tort (including negligence), breach of statutory duty, misrepresentation or otherwise and " <b>Loss</b> " shall be interpreted accordingly;	
"Marketing Contact"	shall be the person identified in the Award Form;	
"Month"	a calendar month and "Monthly" shall be interpreted accordingly;	
"National Insurance"	contributions required by the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 and made in accordance with the Social Security (Contributions) Regulations 2001 (SI 2001/1004);	
"New IPR"	<ul> <li>(a) IPR in items created by the Supplier (or by a third party on behalf of the Supplier) specifically for the purposes of the Contract and updates and amendments of these items including database schema; and/or</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(b) IPR in or arising as a result of the performance of the Supplier's obligations under the Contract and all updates and amendments to the same;</li> </ul>	
	but shall not include the Supplier's Existing IPR. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, any New IPR should be recorded in Schedule 36 and updated regularly;	

"New IPR Item"	means a deliverable, document, product or other item within which New IPR subsists;	
"Notifiable Default"	means:	
	(a) a material Default committed by either Party;	
"Occasion of Tax	where:	
Non –Compliance"	<ul> <li>(a) any tax return of the Supplier submitted to a Relevant Tax</li> <li>Authority on or after 1 October 2012 which is found on or after 1</li> <li>April 2013 to be incorrect as a result of:</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>a Relevant Tax Authority successfully challenging the Supplier under the General Anti-Abuse Rule or the Halifax Abuse Principle or under any tax rules or legislation in any jurisdiction that have an effect equivalent or similar to the General Anti-Abuse Rule or the Halifax Abuse Principle;</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>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>	
	<ul> <li>(b) any tax return of the Supplier submitted to a Relevant Tax Authority on or after 1 October 2012 which gives rise, on or after 1 April 2013, to a criminal conviction in any jurisdiction for tax related offences which is not spent at the Start Date or to a civil penalty for fraud or evasion;</li> </ul>	
"Open Book Data"	complete and accurate financial and non-financial information which is sufficient to enable the Buyer to verify the Charges already paid or payable and Charges forecast to be paid during the remainder of the Contract, including details and all assumptions relating to:	
	<ul> <li>(a) the Supplier's Costs broken down against each Good and/or Service and/or Deliverable, including actual capital expenditure (including capital replacement costs) and the unit cost and total actual costs of all Deliverables;</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(b) operating expenditure relating to the provision of the Deliverables including an analysis showing:</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>the unit costs and quantity of Goods and any other consumables and bought-in Deliverables;</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(ii) manpower resources broken down into the number and grade/role of all Supplier Staff (free of any contingency) together with a list of agreed rates against each manpower grade;</li> </ul>	

		(iii)	a list of Costs underpinning those rates for each manpower grade, being the agreed rate less the Supplier Profit Margin; and	
		(iv)	Reimbursable Expenses, if allowed under the Award Form;	
	(c)	Overh	eads;	
	(d)		erest, expenses and any other third party financing costs ed in relation to the provision of the Deliverables;	
	(e)	(e) the Supplier Profit achieved over the Contract Period and on a annual basis;		
	(f)	alloca	mation that all methods of Cost apportionment and Overhead tion are consistent with and not more onerous than such ods applied generally by the Supplier;	
	(g)	associ	planation of the type and value of risk and contingencies ated with the provision of the Deliverables, including the nt of money attributed to each risk and/or contingency; and	
	(h)	the ac	tual Costs profile for each Service Period;	
"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 na	tural meaning as interpreted by Law;	
"Party"	the Buyer or the Supplier and " <b>Parties</b> " shall mean both of them where the context permits;			
"Personal Data"	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR or the EU GDPR as the context requires;			
"Personal Data Breach"	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR or the EU GDPR as the context requires;			
"Prescribed Person"	may presc <u>https</u> of-pr	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: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/blowing-the-whistle-list- of-prescribed-people-and-bodies2/whistleblowing-list-of-prescribed- people-and-bodies;		
"Processing"		he mea ext req	aning given to it in the UK GDPR or the EU GDPR as the uires;	

"Processor"	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR or the EU GDPR as the context requires;						
"Processor Personnel"	all directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and suppliers of the Processor and/or of any Subprocessor engaged in the performance of its obligations under the Contract;						
"Progress Meeting"	a meeting between the Buyer Authorised Representative and the Supplier Authorised Representative;						
"Progress Report"	a report provided by the Supplier indicating the steps taken to achieve Milestones or delivery dates;						
"Prohibited Acts"	<ul> <li>(a) to directly or indirectly offer, promise or give any person working for or engaged by the Buyer or any other public body a financial or other advantage to:</li> </ul>						
		(i)	induce that person to perform improperly a relevant function or activity; or				
		<ul> <li>(ii) reward that person for improper performance of a relevant function or activity;</li> </ul>					
		(b) to directly or indirectly request, agree to receive or accept any financial or other advantage as an inducement or a reward for improper performance of a relevant function or activity in connection with the Contract; or					
	(c)	comm	itting any offence:				
		<ul> <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> <li>(iii) defrauding, attempting to defraud or conspiring to defraud the Buyer or other public body; or</li> </ul>					
	(d)	offend	ctivity, practice or conduct which would constitute one of the ces listed under (c) above if such activity, practice or conduct een carried out in the UK;				
"Protective	technical and organisational measures which must take account of:						
Measures"	(a) the nature of the data to be protected						
	(b)	harm	that might result from Data Loss Event;				
	(c)	state	of technological development				
	(d)	the co	ost of implementing any measures				
		including pseudonymising and encrypting Personal Data, ensuring confidentiality, integrity, availability and resilience of systems and					

	services, ensuring that availability of and access to Personal Data can be restored in a timely manner after an incident, and regularly assessing and evaluating the effectiveness of the such measures adopted by it;			
"Public Sector Body "	means a formally established organisation that is (at least in part) publicly funded to deliver a public or government service;			
"Recipient Party"	the Party which receives or obtains directly or indirectly Confidential Information;			
"Rectification Plan"	the Supplier's plan (or revised plan) to rectify its breach using the template in Schedule 25 (Rectification Plan) which shall include:			
	<ul> <li>(a) full details of the Notifiable Default that has occurred, including a root cause analysis;</li> </ul>			
	(b) the actual or anticipated effect of the Notifiable Default; and			
	<ul> <li>(c) the steps which the Supplier proposes to take to rectify the Notifiable Default (if applicable) and to prevent such Notifiable Default from recurring, including timescales for such steps and for the rectification of the Notifiable Default (where applicable);</li> </ul>			
"Rectification Plan Process"	the process set out in Clause 11;			
"Regulations"	the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and/or the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 (as the context requires);			
"Reimbursable Expenses"	the reasonable out of pocket travel and subsistence (for example, hotel and food) expenses, properly and necessarily incurred in the performance of the Services, calculated at the rates and in accordance with the Buyer's expenses policy current from time to time, but not including:			
	(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			
	<ul> <li>(b) subsistence expenses incurred by Supplier Staff whilst performing the Services at their usual place of work, or to and from the premises at which the Services are principally to be performed;</li> </ul>			
"Relevant Requirements"	all applicable Law relating to bribery, corruption and fraud, including the Bribery Act 2010 and any guidance issued by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 9 of the Bribery Act 2010;			
"Relevant Tax Authority"	HMRC, or, if applicable, the tax authority in the jurisdiction in which the Supplier is established;			

"Reminder Notice"	a notice sent in accordance with Clause 14.6.1 given by the Supplier to the Buyer providing notification that payment has not been received on time;		
"Replacement Deliverables"	any deliverables which are substantially similar to any of the Deliverables and which the Buyer receives in substitution for any of the Deliverables, whether those goods are provided by the Buyer internally and/or by any third party;		
"Replacement Supplier"	any third party provider of Replacement Deliverables appointed by or at the direction of the Buyer from time to time or where the Buyer is providing Replacement Deliverables for its own account, shall also include the Buyer;		
"Request For Information"	a request for information or an apparent request relating to the Contract for the provision of the Deliverables or an apparent request for such information under the FOIA or the EIRs;		
"Required Action"	means the action the Buyer will take and what Deliverables it will control during the Step-In Process;		
"Required Insurances"	the insurances required by Schedule 22 (Insurance Requirements);		
"Schedules"	any attachment to the Contract which contains important information specific to each aspect of buying and selling;		
"Security Policy"	the Buyer's security policy, referred to in the Award Form, in force as at the Start Date (a copy of which has been supplied to the Supplier), as updated from time to time and notified to the Supplier;		
"Serious Fraud Office"	the UK Government body named as such as may be renamed or replaced by an equivalent body from time to time;		
"Services"	services made available by the Supplier as specified in Schedule 2 (Specification) and in relation to a Contract as specified in the Award Form;		
"Sites"	any premises (including the Buyer Premises, the Supplier's premises or third party premises) from, to or at which:		
	(a) the Deliverables are (or are to be) provided; or		
	<ul> <li>(b) the Supplier manages, organises or otherwise directs the provision or the use of the Deliverables;</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>(c) those premises at which any Supplier Equipment or any part of the Supplier System is located (where ICT Services are being provided)</li> </ul>		

"Social Value"	the additional social benefits that can be achieved in the delivery of the Contract set out in Schedule 2 (Specification) and either (i) Schedule 10 (Service Levels) (where used) or (ii) Part C of Schedule 26 (Sustainability) (where Schedule 10 (Service Levels) is not used)		
"Social Value KPIs"	the Social Value priorities set out in Schedule 2 (Specification) and either (i) Schedule 10 (Service Levels) (where used) or (ii) Part C of Schedule 26 (Sustainability) (where Schedule 10 (Service Levels) is not used		
"Social Value Report"	the report the Supplier is required to provide to the Buyer pursuant to Paragraph 1 of Part C of Schedule 26 (Sustainability) where Schedule 10 (Service Levels) is not used		
"Special Terms"	any additional terms and conditions set out in the Award Form incorporated into the Contract;		
"Special IPR Terms"	any additional terms and conditions relating to IPR set out in the Award Form incorporated into the Contract;		
"Specific Change in Law"	a Change in Law that relates specifically to the business of the Buyer and which would not affect a Comparable Supply where the effect of that Specific Change in Law on the Deliverables is not reasonably foreseeable at the Start Date;		
"Specification"	the specification set out in Schedule 2 (Specification), as may, in relation to the Contract, be supplemented by the Award Form;		
"Standards"	<ul> <li>any:</li> <li>(a) standards published by BSI British Standards, the National Standards Body of the United Kingdom, the International Organisation for Standardisation or other reputable or equivalent bodies (and their successor bodies) that a skilled and experienced operator in the same type of industry or business sector as the Supplier would reasonably and ordinarily be expected to comply with;</li> <li>(b) standards detailed in the specification in Schedule 2 (Specification (c) standards detailed by the Buyer in the Award Form or agreed between the Parties from time to time;</li> <li>(d) relevant Government codes of practice and guidance applicable</li> </ul>		
"Start Data"	from time to time;		
"Start Date"	the date specified on the Award Form;		
"Storage Media"	the part of any device that is capable of storing and retrieving data;		

"Sub-Contract"	Not used				
"Subcontractor"	Not used				
"Subprocessor"	any third Party appointed to process Personal Data on behalf of the Supplier related to the Contract;				
"Subsidiary Undertaking"	has the meaning set out in section 1162 of the Companies Act 2006;				
"Supplier"	the person, firm or company identified in the Award Form;				
"Supplier Assets"	all assets and rights used by the Supplier to provide the Deliverables in accordance with the Contract but excluding the Buyer Assets;				
"Supplier Authorised Representative"	the representative appointed by the Supplier named in the Award Form, or later defined in a Contract;				
"Supplier Equipment"	the Supplier's hardware, computer and telecoms devices, equipment, plant, materials and such other items supplied and used by the Supplier (but not hired, leased or loaned from the Buyer) in the performance of its obligations under this Contract;				
"Supplier Existing IPR"	any and all IPR that are owned by or licensed to the Supplier and which are or have been developed independently of the Contract (whether prior to the Start Date or otherwise)				
"Supplier Existing IPR Licence"	means a licence to be offered by the Supplier to the Supplier Existing IPR as set out in Para 1.3 of Schedule 36.				
"Supplier Group"	means the Supplier, its Dependent Parent Undertakings and all Subsidiary Undertakings and Associates of such Dependent Parent Undertakings;				
"Supplier Non-	where the Supplier has failed to:				
Performance"	(a) Achieve a Milestone by its Milestone Date;				
	<ul> <li>(b) provide the Goods and/or Services in accordance with the Service Levels ; and/or</li> </ul>				
	(c) comply with an obligation under the Contract;				
"Supplier Profit"	in relation to a period, the difference between the total Charges (in nominal cash flow terms but excluding any Deductions and total Costs (in nominal cash flow terms) in respect of the Contract for the relevant period;				

"Supplier Profit Margin"	in relation to a period or a Milestone (as the context requires), the Supplier Profit for the relevant period or in relation to the relevant Milestone divided by the total Charges over the same period or in relation to the relevant Milestone and expressed as a percentage;		
"Supplier Staff"	all directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and contractors of the Supplier and/or of any Subcontractor engaged in the performance of the Supplier's obligations under the Contract;		
"Supplier's Confidential Information"	<ul> <li>(a) any information, however it is conveyed, that relates to the business, affairs, developments, IPR of the Supplier (including the Supplier Existing IPR) trade secrets, Know-How, and/or personnel of the Supplier;</li> </ul>		
	(b) any other information clearly designated as being confidential (whether or not it is marked as "confidential") or which ought reasonably to be considered to be confidential and which comes (or has come) to the Supplier's attention or into the Supplier's possession in connection with the Contract;		
	Information derived from any of (a) and (b) above;		
"Supplier's Contract Manager"	the person identified in the Award Form appointed by the Supplier to oversee the operation of the Contract and any alternative person whom the Supplier intends to appoint to the role, provided that the Supplier informs the Buyer prior to the appointment;		
"Supply Chain Information Report Template"	the document at Annex 1 of Schedule 18 (Supply Chain Visibility);		
"Supporting Documentation"	sufficient information in writing to enable the Buyer to reasonably assess whether the Charges, Reimbursable Expenses and other sums due from the Buyer under the Contract detailed in the information are properly payable;		
"Tender Response"	the tender submitted by the Supplier to the Buyer and annexed to or referred to in Schedule 4 (Tender);		
"Termination Assistance"	the activities to be performed by the Supplier pursuant to the Exit Plan, and other assistance required by the Buyer pursuant to the Termination Assistance Notice;		
"Termination Assistance Notice"	has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 5.1 of Schedule 30 (Exit Management);		
"Termination Notice"	a written notice of termination given by one Party to the other, notifying the Party receiving the notice of the intention of the Party giving the		

	notice to terminate the Contract on a specified date and setting out th grounds for termination;			
"Third Party IPR"	Intellectual Property Rights owned by a third party which is or will be used by the Supplier for the purpose of providing the Deliverables;			
"Third Party IPR Licence"	means a licence to the Third Party IPR as set out in Paragraph 1.6 of Schedule 36			
"Transparency Information"	the Transparency Reports and the content of the Contract, including any changes to this Contract agreed from time to time, except for –			
	<ul> <li>(a) any information which is exempt from disclosure in accordance with the provisions of the FOIA, which shall be determined by the Buyer; and</li> </ul>			
	(b) Commercially Sensitive Information;			
"Transparency Reports"	the information relating to the Deliverables and performance pursuant to the Contract which the Supplier is required to provide to the Buyer in accordance with the reporting requirements in Schedule 6 (Transparency Reports);			
"UK GDPR"	Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data (United Kingdom General Data Protection Regulation), as it forms part of the law of England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland by virtue of section 3 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018, together with the Data Protection, Privacy and Electronic Communications (Amendments etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019			
"Variation"	means a variation to the Contract;			
"Variation Form"	the form set out in Schedule 21 (Variation Form);			
"Variation Procedure"	the procedure set out in Clause 28 (Changing the contract);			
"VAT"	value added tax in accordance with the provisions of the Value Added Tax Act 1994;			
"Verification Period"	has the meaning given to it in the table in Annex 2 of Schedule 3 (Charges);			
"Work Day"	7.5 Work Hours, whether or not such hours are worked consecutively and whether or not they are worked on the same day;			
"Work Hours"	the hours spent by the Supplier Staff properly working on the provision of the Deliverables including time spent travelling (other than to and			

	from the Supplier's offices, or to and from the Sites) but excluding lunch breaks;
"Worker"	any one of the Supplier Staff which the Buyer, in its reasonable opinion, considers is an individual to which Procurement Policy Note 08/15 (Tax Arrangements of Public Appointees) (https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-policy- note-0815-tax-arrangements-of-appointees) applies in respect of the Deliverables; and
"Working Day"	any day other than a Saturday or Sunday or public holiday in England and Wales unless specified otherwise by the Parties in the Award Form.

# Schedule 2 (Specification)

Horizon Convictions Redress Scheme (Scheme) has been set up to provide redress to convicted Postmasters who had their convictions overturned (Eligible Claimants) as the result of the Post Office (Horizon System) Offences Act 2024 and the Post Office (Horizon System) Offences (Scotland) Act 2024 (Acts). The Scheme will be delivered by the Buyer with the objective of ensuring that Eligible Claimants who meet the conditions set out in the Acts receive redress for their Horizon related losses (Scheme Objectives).

To process the claims of Eligible Claimants (**Eligible Claims**), the Supplier shall, to the extent that it is able, provide to the Buyer information which it holds on the Eligible Claimants to enable the Buyer's personnel and contractors to process such claims, in accordance with the agreed parameters set out within this Schedule (**Services**).

This Schedule sets out the Services and the process for supplying such services (including the identification, gathering and supply of information) to the Buyer for the purposes of the Scheme.

### Summary of the Services

- The Supplier will provide to the Buyer documentation containing the information which it holds for approximately 800 Eligible Claims although the parties understand it may exceed this number<sup>1</sup>, from the agreed data sources listed in **Annex B**.
- The Buyer and Supplier agree to work collaboratively to expedite the supply of the relevant documentation.

## Provision of the Services by the Supplier

**Phase 1**: the Supplier shall disclose in the form of an individual Excel spreadsheet the following information in respect of each Eligible Claimant, where available: Loss of POL earnings, eligibility for the Royal Mail Colleague Share Plan, HR Record, copies of P60s and a copy of the Eligible Claimant's P45.

**Phase 2**: the Supplier shall disclose the following documents in respect of each Eligible Claimant, where available:

(i) Document Collation Tool (the document summarising the items available for the case and the size of those documents);

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 800 is the number of confirmed Eligible Claims as of the estimation in June 2024. Some Eligible Claimants may choose to not participate in the Scheme. There may also be a small number of additional claims which may be deemed eligible at a later date e.g. those with convictions which are deemed to be non-Horizon related.

- (ii) Branch file for the Eligible Claimant's Post Office branch/es;
- (iii) Sharepoint documents located following a targeted key word search of the Supplier's Sharepoint system;
- (iv) Network Design Analysis data ('NDA');
- (v) Transaction Correction ('TC') data;
- (vi) Known Error Logs ('KELs');
- (vii) Branch Incident Management Reports ('BIMs');
- (viii) Peaks;
- (ix) POLSAP Archive and Core Finance (CFS) documents (this can show write offs, direct payments etc.);
- (x) Network Business Support Centre ('NBSC') call logs;
- (xi) Data Subject Access Request ('DSAR') responses provided to the Eligible Claimant prior to the date of this agreement;
- (xii) Documents/information in relation to the Eligible Claimant's participation in the Mediation Scheme operated by the Supplier in/around 2013;
- (xiii) A Shortfall Analysis Report ('SFA') will only be provided following a specific request from the Buyer.
- (xiv) Post charge documents (criminal records) if requested by the Eligible Claimant, subject to the provisions of the Data Sharing Agreement.

**Data Sources**: The Supplier has supplied a list of data sources from which relevant information is identified, collated and documented (**Annex B**). The Supplier shall keep this list under review and notify the Buyer and update Annex B accordingly if any additional categories of relevant documentation are identified.

If an Eligible Claimant is a confirmed HCRS applicant, the Supplier will provide to DBT information outside of the claimant information packs showing whether the Eligible Claimant has a conviction related claim and / or a conviction related settlement under another remediation scheme run by the Supplier, including the value of any settlement paid, if applicable.

If the Supplier is required by the Buyer to provide information types not included in Phase 1, Phase 2 or about other conviction related settlements, there may be an additional cost to the

Buyer to be determined on a case-by-case basis. In such a case the contract may need to be varied in accordance with the Variation Procedure in Clause 28 of the Core Terms, using the Variation form in Schedule 21 of this contract.

- 1. The Supplier shall supply documentation in accordance with Annex A, strictly relating to claims made as a result of Eligible Claimants having their convictions overturned by the Acts.
- 2. The Phase 1 process is summarised below.
  - a. The Buyer shall provide the following to the Supplier:
    - i. Applicant's unique reference number ('URN')
    - ii. an up-to-date tracking document showing case progress and current tasks, and
    - iii. Access to the Addleshaw Goddard HighQ data sharing portal (the **portal**) to upload the data.
  - b. The Buyer shall provide to the Supplier, for the Buyer's own audit and record keeping purposes, the following:
    - i. Confirmation, via the portal, that each claim has been settled, at the point of settlement so that the Supplier may close its file.
- 3. All data shall be shared between the Supplier and the Buyer pursuant to the Data Sharing Agreement.
- 4. The Buyer shall agree with the Supplier, a format through which it shall explain what searches have been undertaken, what has / has not been found and the outcome of any shortfall analysis (except for *de minimis* claims see below).
- 5. The Buyer shall procure the services of a third party to, among other things, set up a portal which the Buyer shall use as the repository for Eligible Claimant data. The Supplier will upload its documentation to portal. For the avoidance of doubt, the data being shared between the Buyer and Supplier shall be shared pursuant to the **Data Sharing Agreement.**

### **Redaction Principles**

6. It is recognised by the Buyer that all of the documents disclosed by the Supplier will need to be reviewed for redaction purposes (e.g. to remove personal data and legally privileged documents), and that the necessity for these redactions impacts the delivery plan.

- 7. The Buyer has agreed with the Supplier the following principles which the Supplier shall apply when undertaking redactions:
  - a. Redactions shall be in line with legislative and common law principles;
  - b. Redactions shall have at least a first level review and a second level review:
    - i. The first level review with be undertaken by the Redactions team;
    - ii. The second level review will be undertaken by the Data Protection Project team.
  - c. The Supplier shall adopt a pragmatic approach to redactions and only redact information where such is absolutely necessary.
- 8. These redaction principles are not an absolute set of rules, but rather guiding principles which the Supplier shall apply and are subject to ongoing review between the Buyer and Supplier. Redactions shall be considered on a case-by-case basis. These principles apply both to the supply of information as set out in this Schedule and a DSAR response, across Phases 1 and 2.

#### Programme monitoring, Assurance and Reporting

#### Programme monitoring

- 9. In context of auditing, once the Buyer is satisfied that the supply of information is progressing as planned, it shall consider only reviewing cases in detail if the need arises (e.g. if any issues are raised by Eligible Claimants' legal representatives). The Buyer does however reserve the right to review cases throughout the lifetime of the Scheme. The Supplier notes that the Buyer's legal representatives shall conduct an assessment of the data provided for the purposes of case assessment.
- 10. Should material issues be identified with the supply of information (e.g. on cost, delays), both parties shall work collaboratively to agree an action plan to resolve the issue and minimise any disruption caused.
- 11. Both parties have well established escalation routes should any day to day-to-day issues require escalation as follows:



12. In the first instance, the Supplier and the Buyer will discuss issues at the regular working-level discussions prior to any decisions to escalate.

#### <u>Assurance</u>

- 13. The Supplier shall carry out quality assurance prior to supplying documents to ensure that such supply is undertaken in the manner set out in this agreement, and that any analysis undertaken by the Supplier is clear and in accordance with this Specification.
- 14. The Supplier shall deploy a model to manage its risks and plan its approach to assurance, covering both the analysis undertaken and operational elements of the Process.
- 15. The Supplier shall provide information to enable the Buyer to monitor management information and any findings of the Supplier's 's own assurance work (e.g. from the Supplier's Internal Audit) to help develop and plan the Buyer's assurance requirements. Please see Reporting section below.
- 16. The Supplier reserves the right to undertake or facilitate an independent audit from time to time, for example if the Supplier is required to do so by the Government Internal Audit Agency or National Audit Office.

#### **Reporting**

- 17. **Monthly Monitoring:** The Supplier shall provide regular updates on progress by attending monthly monitoring meetings and submitting a management information pack that has been agreed with the Buyer. Monitoring information shall be reviewed and may change from time to time as the Scheme develops, but shall include such items as:
  - Cost estimates and forecasts (see Schedule 3);
  - Status of cases this is provided weekly as part of the weekly MI;
  - Risk reporting this will be dealt with via the key risk report which will be provided monthly.
- 18. **Quarterly Monitoring:** On a quarterly basis officials will meet with the Buyer's Horizon Redress Overturned Conviction board (HROC board) to provide a strategic review and forward look on Scheme delivery. The Supplier may be asked to attend and/or contribute to these quarterly meetings and shall endeavour to attend these meetings where at least 21 days' written notice is provided.

19. It is acknowledged that the Buyer and Supplier already engage in regular ad-hoc and/or working-level meetings to discuss operational issues on a regular basis. Both parties agree that these weekly meetings shall continue "as is" from the Start Date.

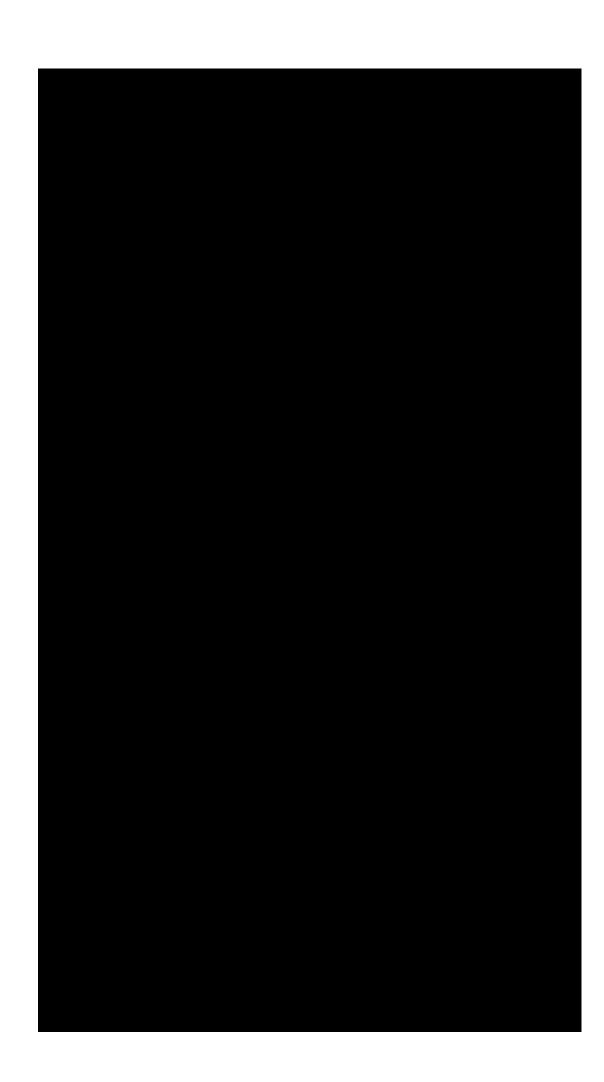
#### **Ad-Hoc Services**

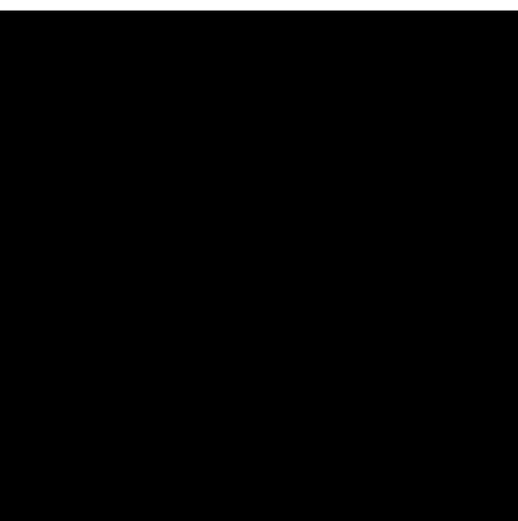
- 20. The Buyer may over the course of the Contract, instruct the Supplier to provide ad-hoc services which are necessary for the delivery of the Services ("Ad-hoc Services") and in such circumstances the process set out below will apply. Any agreed Ad-hoc Services are outside of the scope of the Services and Deliverables. Therefore, charges for Ad Hoc services are not within the Contract Value and shall be charged separately in accordance with paragraph 25 below.
- 21. Following a request by the Buyer for the provision of any Ad-hoc Services, the Supplier shall review the request and either provide a quotation for such Ad-hoc Services for the Buyer's approval or confirm if it is unable to provide the requested Ad-hoc Services. This may involve contacting third parties for quotes.
- 22. The Buyer shall on receipt of the Supplier's response with a quotation where the Supplier has confirmed that it is able to provide the Ad-hoc Services, confirm whether the Supplier is to proceed with the provision of the Ad-hoc Services on the basis of the quotation provided.
- 23. Where the quotation exceeds the Upper Limit as per Clause 26, the Buyer may confirm its acceptance by following the process set out in Clause 27.
- 24. Where the Buyer does not confirm its acceptance of the quotation or instructs the Supplier not to proceed, then the Supplier shall not proceed with the provision of the Ad-hoc Services.
- 25. The Buyer acknowledges that any Ad-hoc Service requested pursuant to paragraph 20 of this Schedule 2 falls outside of the scope of this Contract and the Deliverables and any such request may be subject to third party capacity, which the Supplier is not accountable for. The Buyer also acknowledges that any Ad-hoc Service is subject to resource availability.
- 26. The Charges for the provision of any Ad-hoc Services request must not exceed +VAT (the "Upper Limit").
- 27. For any Ad-hoc Services request exceeding the Upper Limit, the Parties will be required to follow the Variation Procedure in Clause 28 of the Core terms, using the Variation form in Schedule 21 of this contract.

28. The Charges for the provision of any Ad-hoc Services shall be agreed on a case-by-case basis depending on the nature of the Ad-hoc Services and invoiced in accordance with the process set out in Annex 2 of Schedule 3 (Charges).

#### Allowable Assumptions – Specification

- i. The process is based on the requirements provided by the Supplier and agreed with the Buyer. The process may be amended from time to time if agreed by the Parties in accordance with the Variation Procedure in Clause 28 of the Core Terms, using the Variation form in Schedule 21 of this contract.
- ii. It is assumed that the quality of data supplied by the Buyer to the Supplier is of sufficient quality to complete an associated shortfall analysis and provide documents.
- iii. The Supplier shall only provide the Buyer with data to support Horizon shortfall claims.
- iv. The Supplier shall use the Buyer's portal to upload documents. In the alternative, Quatrix will be used.





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#### Annex B - Data Sources (Phases 1 and 2) claimant information packs

HCRS Case No.	Branch Name		FAD		Date Completed	
Claimant Name			FDOS		LDOS	
Suspension Dates?	Termination Date			Remu	12 Months neration Value	

#### \*SharePoint – Post Office internal tracking documents.

- Trackers containing data relating to Transaction Corrections for multiple branches are not included as these are already provided in the Transaction Correction data for each branch.
- Trackers containing Department of Work Pension data which show where items were allowed/disallowed, with the associated TC are not included as these are already provided in the Transaction Correction data.
- Trackers containing data relating to Customer Accounts/Branch Debt for multiple branches are not included as this data is already provided in the POLSAP/CFS data for each branch.
- Trackers containing data relating to multiple branches for performance purposes are not included given the data is already provided in another format.

Document Type	Overview	Data Sourced from	Final position	Phase 1 or phase 2
Loss of POL earnings	This is remuneration POL paid to the former postmaster claimants or the salary paid to its former employee claimants. Documents POL can provide regarding this are personnel print outs. For employees, due to the data retention policy information may not always be available.	Rem Pack (PM Changes) + HMRC records (Bespoke process under HCRS)	Included in Rem pack provided in Phase 1	Phase 1
Royal Mail Share Plan	Based on the tenure of the postmaster POL should be able to determine whether they would have had an entitlement to monies under the scheme. The information setting this out is shown in the OC Pecuniary principles.	Contracts and Policy	Included in rem pack if applicable	Phase 1
HR record	May contain: First & last day of service Contract type DFRs (Deductions from Remuneration) Settlement payments if leaving through a programme Reason for leaving Remuneration	Postmaster changes	Included in rem pack	Phase 1
Loss of capital value of their business	The sum of money the postmaster could have lost as a result of, for example; his/her PO branch being closed following an audit. POL may have documents which relate to items such as purchase prices of premises but there are often not many useful documents located by POL If available the primary source of these would be the administrative branch file records.	Omnidox/Oa sis Bridge - Branch File	Included in branch files when found	Phase 2 (if in branch file and prior to charge date)
Loss of residential property (if this formed part of the Post Office)	Would usually form part of a loss of business claim where the PO branch is lost following a conviction and it doubled as a postmaster's home.	Omnidox/Oa sis Bridge - Branch File	Included in branch files when found	Phase 2 (if in branch file)

Out of pocket expenses (prosecution costs)	As with prosecution shortfalls the information is gathered by Peters and Peters on POL's behalf. HMCTS and POL's records are where the information is obtained.	HM Courts and Tribunal Service and Branch File	Included in branch files when found; otherwise not included	Phase 2 (if in branch file)
Prosecution shortfalls	Amounts a claimant either paid directly to POL before a court hearing or was ordered to pay to POL under a confiscation order. These sums have to date been identified by Peters and Peters. The documents POL often has available are copies of confiscation orders and internal documents confirming when payment was received.	Omnidox/Oa sis Bridge Security Sharepoint (see SP list) Customer account (POLSAP/CFS)	Included if in branch files/securit y files etc	Phase 2 (only if contained in branch file/securit y files etc and prior to charge date)
Pre-prosecution shortfalls	Sums that a postmaster paid to POL as a result of shortfalls on their Horizon system. To determine if these are 'horizon shortfalls' (from POL's perspective) a shortfall analysis report would be sought. These draw from a large number of data sources and typically take around a week to prepare.	NDA, TC's, Audit information	Included in NDA data and SFA (if requested)	Phase 2 (These are provided as a matter of course in NDA/TC/A udit info etc.)
Known Error Logs (KELs), Branch Incident Management Reports (BIMs), Peaks	Logs detailing all known system issues & resolution	KBP log	Included	Phase 2 (where available)
Network Design Analysis (NDA)	All/any available branch transactional data including discrepancies, how shortfalls and surpluses were settled and values relating to final accounts	NDA Team	Included	Phase 2 (where available)
Transaction Corrections (TCs)	Logs of credit/debit TCs issued to branch to correct accounting errors	TC data	Included	Phase 2 (where available)

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Branch File Omnidox/Oasis Bridge	May contain: • Information pre-2005 • Debit Letters • Audit/ suspension / termination reports • Recruitment information • Contractual arrangements • Communications between POL and PMR • Training/support information • Information on where a branch has been given warnings or advised of poor working practice • Customer complaints	Branch File	Included	Phase 2 (where available)
Sharepoint	<ul> <li>Debit Letters</li> <li>Audit/ suspension / termination reports</li> <li>Recruitment information</li> <li>Contractual arrangements</li> <li>Communications between POL and PMR</li> <li>Training/support information to PMR</li> <li>Information on where a branch has been</li> <li>given warnings or advised of poor working practice</li> <li>Customer complaints</li> </ul>	Numerous SP sites - Audit and branch information (see SP site list)	Included	Phase 2 (where available)
POLSAP Archive and Core Finance (CFS)	Write offs Direct payments TCs settled centrally DFRs Branch discrepancies settled centrally Outstanding debit/credit	POLSAP - Customer account	Included	Phase 2 (where available)
	Logs of individual calls made by the branch	NBC call logs	Included	

Network Business Support Centre (NBSC Call Logs)	covering various categories (e.g. general enquiries, operational instruction, discrepancies, support)			Phase 2 (where available)
Documents held by Security and/or investigations team	Information of any investigations conducted. E.g., transcripts of interviews, security reports audit reports, witness statements, etc.	P&Ps Spreadsheet - feeds into POL security to request the information	Included	Phase 2 (where available)
Data Subject Access Request responses ('DSAR')	N/A		Included If previous DSAR has been requested and provided	Phase 2 (where available)
Mediation	Documents/information if Claimant was a participant in Mediation scheme 2013	Mediation is typically sourced from SP site searches. Usually within the CRT site.	Included	Phase 2 (where available)
Document Collation Tool	Document summarising the items available for the case and the size of those documents.	Created by POL	Included (summary of phase 2)	Phase 2
Shortfalls	If Shortfall Analysis Report ('SFA') is required, plus ARQ data if applicable		Only upon specific request	Phase 2
Criminal disclosure	Post charge and prosecution information on the Claimant	HMCTS	Upon request	Phase 2

## Annex C - Shortfall form

### HCRS: HORIZON REDRESS FORM

\*As defined in the HCRS Compensation Scheme Guidance and Principles

To be agreed between the Buyer and the Supplier and inserted under the contract variation process in section 28 of the Core Terms

# Schedule 3 (Charges)

## 1. HOW CHARGES ARE CALCULATED

1.1. The Charges shall be calculated and invoiced in accordance with the terms of this Schedule.

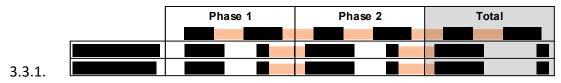
### 2. THE PRICING MECHANISMS

- 2.1. The Charges for the Services shall be calculated using the rates and pricing mechanism set out in Annex 1 to this Schedule.
- 2.2. The Charges for any Ad-Hoc Services (as defined in Schedule 2 (Specification)) will be charged outside of the Contract Value, subject to an upper limit to be determined by the parties as needed; and will be agreed on a case-by-case basis in accordance with the process set out in Schedule 2 (Specification).

## 3. CONTRACT VALUE

- 3.1. The Contract Value as at the Start Date is **£3,604,012**. This sum excludes VAT which will be added at the prevailing rate at the point of invoicing.
- 3.2. The Contract Value is subject to ongoing review by the Parties and is presented on the basis of the agreement that the Supplier will charge back to the Buyer at cost, whatever expenditure it incurs in relation to the provision of the Services. There will be no profit margins included in any charges raised by the Supplier.
- 3.3. The Parties have agreed on a regular reporting function as per Annex 2 that will allow spend per month in performing the Services to be tracked against the Contract Value. The Supplier will provide a monthly breakdown of costs incurred to date, together with a forecast of costs to complete the Contract. Where the total of costs incurred, and the forecast indicate the Contract Value may be exceeded this will be addressed via the meeting mechanism in paragraph 4.3 below.

The Contract Value is split as follows:



- 3.3.2. The figures relating to the Contract Value set out at paragraph 3.3.1 above are subject to the Allowable Assumptions. and do not include provision for any Ad-Hoc Services.
- 3.3.3. In regard to DSAR associated costs, both parties will use their best endeavours to mitigate the need for DSAR requests from claimants and from claimants' legal representatives. The Contract Value is to be utilised to ensure payment for all associated costs in relation to DSAR related matters in so far as they are required to complete the provision of information for the HCRS Scheme only.

When staff are no longer required to provide the Services, and if agreed by the Buyer, the Supplier will seek to redeploy such staff within the Supplier's organisation

where possible to do so. Where this is not possible, the Supplier will seek to terminate the relevant individual's contract in accordance with their contractual notice period and will charge back any costs incurred to the Buyer.

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

- 4.1. It is acknowledged by the Parties that the Contract Value is indicative only.
- 4.2. The Parties agree to discuss any increase in the Contract Value should it be likely to be exceeded at any stage during the term of this Contract prior to the increase occurring and in accordance with paragraphs 3.3 and 4.3.
- 4.3. The Parties will hold a meeting on total spend to date in context of the Contract Value every month. The Supplier will, during this meeting advise if there is any anticipated increase required beyond the Contract Value. Once notice is provided, the parties will agree future spend in respect of the charge back provision set out at paragraph 3.2 above.
- 4.4. Further to paragraph 3.2 above, it is acknowledged by the Parties that this is an "at cost" arrangement and therefore should the Parties be unable to reach agreement in relation to an increase in the Contract Value under paragraph 4.3 above, and the Contract Value has been fully committed in relation to costs incurred and costs forecasted, the Supplier shall not be obliged to perform any further Services beyond the Contract Value until an agreement to increase the Contract Value has been reached.
- 4.5. In the unlikely event that the Parties are unable to reach an agreement and the Buyer does not authorise an increase in the Contract Value, either Party may serve written notice to terminate this Contract. The amount of notice will depend on the forecasted Services remaining under the existing Contract Value and, in any event, must be as much notice as is reasonably practicable in the circumstances, but will be no less than 90 days.

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

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

#### 6. ALLOWABLE ASSUMPTIONS

Whilst the Supplier has endeavoured to identify all the costs that the Supplier will incur in fulfilling this Contract and will use reasonable endeavours to keep costs within the Contract Value, the Supplier will recharge all actual staff and non-staff costs incurred in the provision of the Services in accordance with paragraph 3.2 above.

Actual costs incurred by the Supplier will be dependent on factors such as:

i) The de-minimis cases which do not require a Shortfall Analysis is estimated as 30% of the claims. Any changes to this estimate will affect costs accordingly;

- ii) Delivery of the Project is subject to a number of external factors, not within the Buyer's and/or Supplier's control, including but not limited to, the Buyer being in receipt of sufficient numbers of complete applications for processing and the complexity of data retrieved on a case-by-case basis and the evolving DSAR process, compliance and applications as received.
- iii) New and developing processes / project costs are not included in the Contract Value.
- iv) All dealings are directly with DBT and not with any third parties;
- v) Process flow is as agreed in Schedule 2 (Annex A);
- vi) The number of branches where data needs to be searched (i.e. a Postmaster can claim Horizon shortfall losses for more than one branch they ran);
- vii) The number of individual shortfalls claimed per branch;
- viii) The amount of ARQ data that needs to be retrieved to supplement other searches;
- ix) The mix and grade of internal and contract staff;
- x) The cost of retaining internal and contract staff to the end of their secondment or contract term if they cannot be redeployed or returned to the donor department / given notice when they are no longer required to fulfil the contract
- xi) Changes in scope of the Contract as agreed between the Parties;
- xii) Holiday and sick pay entitlements included within contracts of the staff providing the Services.

## Annex 1: Rates and Prices for the Services

#### **Time and Materials**

The following rates are correct as at the Start Date. Contractor costs may be subject to change on their contract extension dates. The Supplier will advise the Buyer of an impact to the Contract Value as a result of pay increases in accordance with paragraph 3.2.

POL Resource	Indicative Day Rate (£) 1.	Agent Fee 5.75%	iVat 10%	Total Day Rate (£) 2.	Agreed Range (£)
Senior HMU member and Legal Advisor - internal					
Senior HMU member and Legal Advisor - contractor					
Senior Operations Managerinternal					
Claim Review Advisor internal					
Claim Review Advisor contractor					
Information Rights Advisor - internal					
Information Rights Advisor - Contractor					
Full Time QA - internal					
Full Time QA - contractor					
Ops Team Leader - internal					
Ops Team Leader - contractor					
Data Redactor -– contractor 3b _ Team Leader					
Data Redactor -– contractor 3a					
Data Redactor -– contractor 2a					
Project Manager - contractor					

The rates above exclude VAT which will be added to each invoice at the prevailing rate.

## **Annex 2: Invoicing Process for the Charges**

On the Effective Date, the Supplier will issue an invoice to cover the costs incurred in respect of the provision of the Services from the period from the Start Date to the Effective Date.

The invoicing process for the Charges can be summarised as follows:

- 1. The information required for the Supplier to prepare invoices is available three working days after each period end (the Supplier works on 13 periodic reporting periods per year).
- 2. The Supplier will complete an internal form and submit to its Finance team to raise the invoice.
- 3. At the same time as 2. above, the Supplier will provide the Buyer with a breakdown of work undertaken in the period in an Excel spreadsheet format containing the following details for the Buyer's approval ("Breakdown"):
  - a. Job Title
  - b. Day Rate
  - c. Total Cost per month
- 4. DBT will approve or provide any queries on the Breakdown within three (3) Working Days of receipt. If no response is provided by the Buyer within three (3) Working Days, the Breakdown will be deemed approved. If any queries are raised on the Breakdown, the process under paragraph 3 above will be repeated. Upon approval of the Breakdown, the Supplier will issue its invoice to the Buyer in accordance with paragraph 5 below.
- 5. The Supplier's finance team will process the invoice within two working days of the approval of the Breakdown:
  - a. This will be on or around the second week of the month following the costs incurred.
  - b. The Supplier's finance team will send the invoice to an agreed mailbox displaying the legal entity name supplied by DBT. This will include:
    - i. all appropriate references including the Contract reference number and other details reasonably requested by the Buyer;
    - ii. a copy of the relevant approved Breakdown.
- 6. Buyer to pay invoices within 30 days of receipt to the nominated Supplier bank account in accordance with clause 4.3 of the Core Terms.

## Schedule 5 (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 Award Form (which shall be deemed incorporated into the table below).
- 1.3. Without prejudice to the Buyer's obligation to disclose Information in accordance with FOIA or Clause 20 (When you can share information), the Buyer will, having consulted the Supplier and taken into account its views, seek to apply relevant exemptions set out in the FOIA as appropriate, including but not limited to the following Information:

No.	Date	ltem(s)	Duration of Confidentiality
1	Start Date	Day Rates	Indefinite

## Schedule 6 (Transparency Reports)

- The Supplier recognises that the Buyer is subject to PPN 01/17 (Updates to transparency principles v1.1 (<u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-policy-note-0117-update-to-transparency-principles</u>). The Supplier shall comply with the provisions of this Schedule in order to assist the Buyer with its compliance with its obligations under that PPN.
- 2. Without prejudice to the Supplier's reporting requirements set out in the Contract, within three (3) Months of the Start Date the Supplier shall submit to the Buyer for Approval (such Approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) draft Transparency Reports consistent with the content requirements and format set out in the Annex of this Schedule.
- 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.
- 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

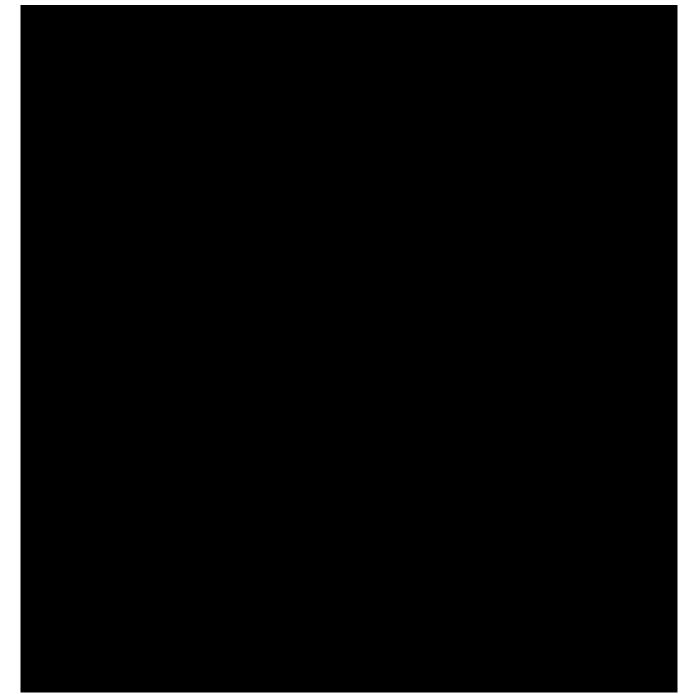
## Schedule 20 (Data Sharing Agreement)

THIS DATA SHARING AGREEMENT is made on 5/9/2024 | 21:40BST

#### **BETWEEN:**

- POST OFFICE LIMITED, a company incorporated in England and Wales (registered number 02154540) whose registered office is at 100 Wood Street, London, EC2V 7ER ("POL");
- (2) **THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR BUSINESS AND TRADE** of Old Admiralty Building, London, SW1A 2DY ("Secretary of State"),

(each a "Party" to this Agreement, and together the "Parties").







### ANNEX A: DETAILS OF THE SHARING OF HCRS PERSONAL DATA

#### 11. Purposes for which the HCRS Personal Data will be processed

The HCRS Personal Data is required to be shared for the purpose of fulfilling the aim contained in Recital (C) and enabling the processes and activities required to be carried out to give effect to that that aim and referred to in this Agreement to be undertaken.

#### 12. Details of the HCRS Personal Data

The HCRS Personal Data relates to applicants to the HCRS, and may include third parties referenced in the relevant documents provided to the Receiving Parties, including family members of the applicant, or employees of the branch of which the applicant was postmaster.

The following types of Personal Data will be shared between the Parties as part of the HCRS Personal Data: first name(s), surname (including any previous names), date of birth, home address, postcode, telephone number, email address, job titles, details about contracts held (or that were held) with POL; financial information about shortfalls and other losses; details about actions taken in relation to shortfalls and other losses, and any other Personal Data that the applicantmay submit as part of their claim.

The HCRS Personal Data may also include Special Category Personal Data related to health (for example, an applicant may choose to submit medical records to support their application). Criminal Offence Data may also be provided but may not be available for all applicants (HCRS is designed to compensate those who were wrongfully convicted and so the HCRS Personal Data will include information relation to those convictions).

#### 13. Lawful basis for the sharing of the HCRS Personal Data

POL's lawful basis for the sharing of the HCRS Personal Data is set out below.

For all HCRS Personal Data: Article 6(1)(f) of the UK GDPR - processing is necessary for the purposes of the legitimate interests pursued by the controller or by a third party, except where such interests are overridden by the interests or fundamental rights and freedoms of the data subject which require protection of personal data, in particular where the data subject is a child

For Special Category Personal Data: Article 9(2)(f) of the UK GDPR - processing is necessary for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims or whenever courts are acting in their judicial capacity

*For Criminal Offence Data*: Schedule 1, Part 3, Paragraph 33 of the DPA 2018 – processing is necessary for the purpose of, or in connection with, any legal proceedings (including prospective legal proceedings) or for the purpose of obtaining legal advice, or is otherwise necessary for the purposes of establishing, exercising or defending legal rights.

DBT's lawful basis for the Processing of HCRS Personal Data is set out below.

*For all HCRS Personal Data*: Article 6(1)(e) of the UK GDPR – processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest (such task being supported by provisions contained in the Appropriation Act.

*For Special Category Personal Data*: Article 9(2)(g) of the UK GDPR – processing is necessary for reasons of substantial public interest together with Paragraph 6 of Schedule 1 to the DPA 2018, statutory and government purposes, and Paragraph 33 of Schedule 1 to the DPA 2018, legal claims.

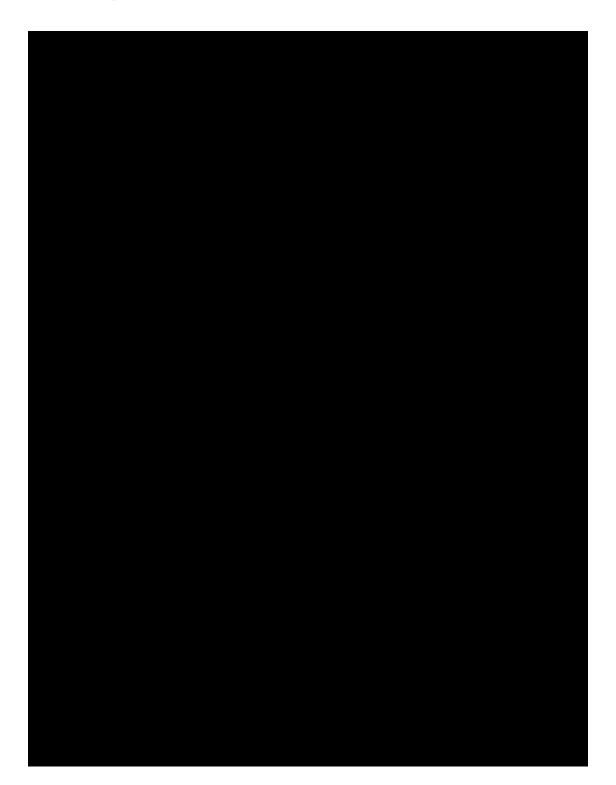
*For Criminal Offence Data*: Schedule 1, Part 3, Paragraph 6 of the DPA 2018 – processing is necessary for the purpose of the exercise of a function conferred on a person by an enactment or rule of law; or the exercise of a function of the Crown, a Minister of the Crown or a government department, together with Paragraph 33 of Schedule 1 to the DPA 2018, legal claims.

### 14. Other organisations involved in the sharing of the HCRS Personal Data

No further parties are intended to be involved in the sharing of the HCRS Personal Data between POL and DBT, other than IT service providers used by each Party to effect the sharing (see section 3 below).

### 15. How the HCRS Personal Data will be shared

All HCRS Personal Data will be made available electronically by using a secure transfer mechanism such as Quatrix.



## Schedule 21 (Variation Form)

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

Contract Details					
This variation is between:	[Buyer] ( <b>"the Buyer</b> ") And [insert name of Supplier] ( <b>"the Supplier"</b> )				
Contract name:	[insert name of contract to be changed] ("the Contract")				
Contract reference number:	<mark>[insert</mark> contract reference number]				
	Details of Proposed Variation				
Variation initiated by:	[delete as applicable: Buyer/Supplier]				
Variation number:	[insert variation number]				
Date variation is raised:	<mark>[insert</mark> date]				
Proposed variation					
Reason for the variation:	<mark>[insert</mark> reason]				
An Impact Assessment shall be provided within:	<mark>[insert</mark> number] days				
Impact of Variation					

Likely impact of the proposed variation:	[Supplier to insert assessment of impact]				
	Outcome of Variation				
Contract variation:	<ul> <li>This Contract detailed above is varied as follows:</li> <li>[Buyer to insert original Clauses or Paragraphs to be varied and the changed clause]</li> </ul>				
Financial variation:	Original Contract Value:	£ <mark>[insert</mark> amount]			
	Additional cost due to variation:	£ <mark>[insert</mark> amount]			
	New Contract Value:	£ <mark>[insert</mark> amount]			

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

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

Signature

Date	
Name (in Capitals)	
Address	

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

Signature	
Date	
Name (in Capitals)	
Address	

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

### 1. The insurance you need to have

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

## 2. How to manage the insurance

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

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

3.1. The Supplier shall not take any action or fail to take any action or (insofar as is reasonably within its power) permit anything to occur in relation to it which would entitle any insurer to refuse to pay any claim under any of the Insurances.

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

### 4. Evidence of insurance you must provide

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

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

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

### 6. Cancelled Insurance

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

## 7. Insurance claims

- 7.1. The Supplier shall promptly notify to insurers any matter arising from, or in relation to, the Deliverables, or the Contract for which it may be entitled to claim under any of the Insurances. In the event that the Buyer receives a claim relating to or arising out of the Contract or the Deliverables, the Supplier shall co-operate with the Buyer and assist it in dealing with such claims including without limitation providing information and documentation in a timely manner.
- 7.2. Except where the Buyer is the claimant party, the Supplier shall give the Buyer notice within twenty (20) Working Days after any insurance claim in excess of £1m relating to or arising out of the provision of the Deliverables or this Contract on any of the Insurances or which, but for the application of the applicable policy excess, would be made on any of the Insurances and (if required by the Buyer) full details of the incident giving rise to the claim.
- 7.3. Where any Insurance requires payment of a premium, the Supplier shall be liable for and shall promptly pay such premium.

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

### **ANNEX: REQUIRED INSURANCES**

#### PART A: THIRD PARTY PUBLIC AND PRODUCTS LIABILITY INSURANCE

#### 1 Insured

1.1 The Supplier

#### 2 Interest

- 2.1 To indemnify the Insured in respect of all sums which the Insured shall become legally liable to pay as damages, including claimant's costs and expenses, in respect of accidental:
  - (a) death or bodily injury to or sickness, illness or disease contracted by any person; and
  - (b) loss of or damage to physical property;

happening during the period of insurance (as specified in Paragraph 5) and arising out of or in connection with the provision of the Deliverables and in connection with this Contract.

#### 3 Limit of indemnity

3.1

## 4 Territorial limits

United Kingdom

#### 5 Period of insurance

5.1 From the date of this Contract for the period of the Contract and renewable on an annual basis unless agreed otherwise by the Buyer in writing.

#### 6 Cover features and extensions

6.1 Indemnity to principals clause under which the Buyer shall be indemnified in respect of claims made against the Buyer in respect of death or bodily injury or third party property damage arising out of or in connection with the Contract and for which the Supplier is legally liable.

#### 7 Principal exclusions

- 7.1 War and related perils.
- 7.2 Nuclear and radioactive risks.

- 7.3 Liability for death, illness, disease or bodily injury sustained by employees of the Insured arising out of the course of their employment.
- 7.4 Liability arising out of the use of mechanically propelled vehicles whilst required to be compulsorily insured by applicable Law in respect of such vehicles.
- 7.5 Liability in respect of predetermined penalties or liquidated damages imposed under any contract entered into by the Insured.
- 7.6 Liability arising out of technical or professional advice other than in respect of death or bodily injury to persons or damage to third party property.
- 7.7 Liability arising from the ownership, possession or use of any aircraft or marine vessel.
- 7.8 Liability arising from seepage and pollution unless caused by a sudden, unintended, unexpected and accidental occurrence.
- 8 Maximum deductible threshold
- 8.1

## PART B: UNITED KINGDOM COMPULSORY INSURANCES

The Supplier shall meet its insurance obligations under applicable Law in full, including, United Kingdom employers' liability insurance and motor third party liability insurance.

## PART C: ADDITIONAL INSURANCES

Not applicable

# Schedule 25 (Rectification Plan)

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

	[]	[date]	
Signed by the Supplier:		Date:	
Review of Rectification Plan Buyer			
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Reasons for rejection (if applicable)	[add reasons]		
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## Schedule 26 (Sustainability)

## Part A

## 1. Public Sector Equality Duty

- 1.1 In addition to legal obligations, where the Supplier is providing a Deliverable to which the Public Sector Equality duty applies, the Supplier shall support the Buyer in fulfilling its Public Sector Equality duty under S149 of the Equality Act 2010 by ensuring that it fulfils its obligations under the Contract in a way that seeks to:
  - 1.1.1 eliminate discrimination, harassment or victimisation and any other conduct prohibited by the Equality Act 2010; and
  - 1.1.2 advance:
    - (a) equality of opportunity; and
    - (b) good relations,
  - 1.1.3 between those with a protected characteristic (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation, and marriage and civil partnership) and those who do not share it.

## 2. Employment Law

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

## 3. Modern Slavery

The Supplier:

shall not use, nor allow its Subcontractors to use forced, bonded or involuntary prison labour;

- 3.1.1. shall not require any Supplier Staff or Subcontractor Staff to lodge deposits or identity papers with the employer and shall be free to leave their employer after reasonable notice;
- 3.1.2. warrants and represents that it has not been convicted of any slavery or human trafficking offences anywhere around the world;
- 3.1.3. warrants that to the best of its knowledge it is not currently under investigation, inquiry or enforcement proceedings in relation to any allegation of slavery or human trafficking offences anywhere around the world;

- 3.1.4. shall make reasonable enquires to ensure that its officers, employees and Subcontractors have not been convicted of slavery or human trafficking offences anywhere around the world;
- 3.1.5. shall have and maintain throughout the Term its own policies and procedures to ensure its compliance with the Modern Slavery Act 2015 and include in its contracts with its Subcontractors anti-slavery and human trafficking provisions;
- 3.1.6. shall implement due diligence procedures to ensure that there is no slavery or human trafficking in any part of its supply chain performing obligations under the Contract;
- 3.1.7. shall provide a copy of its Modern Slavery Statement produced pursuant to section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 upon request;
- 3.1.8. shall not use, nor allow its employees or Subcontractors to use physical abuse or discipline, the threat of physical abuse, sexual or other harassment and verbal abuse or other forms of intimidation of its employees or Subcontractors;
- 3.1.9. shall not use or allow child or slave labour to be used by its Subcontractors; and
- 3.1.10. shall report the discovery or suspicion of any slavery or trafficking by it or its Subcontractors to the Buyer and Modern Slavery Helpline.

## 4. Environmental Requirements

- 4.1. The Supplier must perform its obligations meeting in all material respects the requirements of all applicable Laws regarding the environment.
- 4.2. In performing its obligations under the Contract, the Supplier shall, where applicable to the Contract, to the reasonable satisfaction of the Buyer:
  - 4.2.1. prioritise waste management in accordance with the Waste Hierarchy as set out in Law;
  - 4.2.2. be responsible for ensuring that any waste generated by the Supplier and sent for recycling, disposal or other recovery as a consequence of this Contract is taken by a licensed waste carrier to an authorised site for treatment or disposal and that the disposal or treatment of waste complies with the Law; and
  - 4.2.3. ensure that it and any third parties used to undertake recycling, disposal or other recovery as a consequence of this Contract do so in a legally compliant way, and can demonstrate that reasonable checks are undertaken to ensure this on a regular basis and provide relevant data and evidence of recycling, recovery and disposal.

- 4.3. In circumstances that a permit, licence or exemption to carry or send waste generated under this Contract is revoked, the Supplier shall cease to carry or send waste or allow waste to be carried by any Subcontractor until authorisation is obtained from the Environment Agency.
- 4.4. In performing its obligations under the Contract, the Supplier shall to the reasonable satisfaction of the Buyer (where the anticipated Charges in any Contract Year are above £5 million per annum (excluding VAT)), where related to and proportionate to the contract in accordance with PPN 06/21), publish and maintain a credible Carbon Reduction Plan in accordance with PPN 06/21.
- 4.5. The Supplier shall meet the applicable Government Buying Standards applicable to Deliverables which can be found online at:

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

### 5. Supplier Code of Conduct

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

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

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

#### 6. Reporting

6.1. The Supplier shall comply with reasonable requests by the Buyer for information evidencing compliance with any of the requirements in Paragraphs Public Sector Equality Duty-Supplier Code of Conduct of this Part A above within fourteen (14) days of such request.

#### Part C

#### 7. Social Value

7.1. The Supplier does not need to provide a Social Value Report to the Buyer.

## Schedule 36 (Intellectual Property Rights)

## 1. Intellectual Property Rights

- 1.1. Each Party keeps ownership of its own Existing IPR. Neither Party has the right to use the other Party's IPR, including any use of the other Party's names, logos or trademarks, except as expressly granted elsewhere under the Contract or otherwise agreed in writing.
- 1.2. Except as expressly granted elsewhere under the Contract, neither Party acquires any right, title or interest in or to the IPR owned by the other Party or any third party.

### 1.3. Licences granted by the Supplier: Supplier Existing IPR

- 1.3.1. Where the Buyer orders Deliverables which contain or rely upon Supplier Existing IPR, the Supplier hereby grants the Buyer a Supplier Existing IPR Licence on the terms set out in Paragraph The Supplier Existing IPR Licence granted by the Supplier to the Buyer is a non-exclusive, perpetual, royalty-free, irrevocable, transferable, worldwide licence to use, change and sub-license any Supplier Existing IPR which is reasonably required by the Buyer to enable it:.
- 1.3.2. The Supplier Existing IPR Licence granted by the Supplier to the Buyer is a nonexclusive, perpetual, royalty-free, irrevocable, transferable, worldwide licence to use, change and sub-license any Supplier Existing IPR which is reasonably required by the Buyer to enable it:
  - 1.3.2.1. or any End User to use and receive the Deliverables; or
  - 1.3.2.2. to use, sub-licence or commercially exploit (including by publication under Open Licence) the New IPR and New IPR Items,

for any purpose relating to the exercise of the Buyer's (or, if the Buyer is a Public Sector Body, any other Public Sector Body's) business or function.

#### 1.4. Licences granted by the Buyer and New IPR

- 1.4.1. Any New IPR created under the Contract is owned by the Buyer. The Buyer gives the Supplier a licence to use any Buyer Existing IPR and New IPR for the purpose of fulfilling its obligations during the Contract Period.
- 1.4.2. Where a Party acquires ownership of IPR 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.
- 1.4.3. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, the Supplier and the Buyer will record any New IPR in the table at Annex 1 to this Schedule 36 and keep this updated throughout the Contract Period.

#### 1.5. **Open Licence Publication**

- 1.5.1. Subject to Paragraph The Supplier may within 15 days of a Buyer Open Licence Request under Paragraph The Supplier will supply any or all New IPR Items in a format suitable for publication under Open Licence ("the Open Licence Publication Material") within 30 days of written request from the Buyer ("Buyer Open Licence Request"). request in writing that the Buyer excludes all or part of:, the Supplier agrees that the Buyer may at its sole discretion publish under Open Licence all or part of the New IPR Items.
- 1.5.2. Subject to Paragraph The Supplier may within 15 days of a Buyer Open Licence Request under Paragraph The Supplier will supply any or all New IPR Items in a format suitable for publication under Open Licence ("the Open Licence Publication Material") within 30 days of written request from the Buyer ("Buyer Open Licence Request"). request in writing that the Buyer excludes all or part of:, the Supplier hereby warrants that the New IPR Items are suitable for release under Open Licence.
- 1.5.3. The Supplier will supply any or all New IPR Items in a format suitable for publication under Open Licence ("the Open Licence Publication Material") within 30 days of written request from the Buyer ("Buyer Open Licence Request").
- 1.5.4. The Supplier may within 15 days of a Buyer Open Licence Request under Paragraph The Supplier will supply any or all New IPR Items in a format suitable for publication under Open Licence ("the Open Licence Publication Material") within 30 days of written request from the Buyer ("Buyer Open Licence Request"). request in writing that the Buyer excludes all or part of:
  - 1.5.4.1. the New IPR; or
  - 1.5.4.2. Supplier Existing IPR or Third Party IPR that would otherwise be included in the Open Licence Publication Material supplied to the Buyer pursuant to Paragraph The Supplier will supply any or all New IPR Items in a format suitable for publication under Open Licence ("the Open Licence Publication Material") within 30 days of written request from the Buyer ("Buyer Open Licence Request").

from Open Licence publication.

1.5.5. Any decision to Approve any such request from the Supplier pursuant to Paragraph The Supplier may within 15 days of a Buyer Open Licence Request under Paragraph The Supplier will supply any or all New IPR Items in a format suitable for publication under Open Licence ("the Open Licence Publication Material") within 30 days of written request from the Buyer ("Buyer Open Licence Request"). request in writing that the Buyer excludes all or part of: shall be at the Buyer's sole discretion, not to be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned. 1.5.6. Subject to Clause for the event that any Supplier Existing IPR or Third Party IPR is included in the Open Licence Publication Material published by the Buyer.

## 1.6. Third Party IPR

- 1.6.1. The Supplier shall not use in the delivery of the Deliverables any Third Party IPR unless Approval is granted by the Buyer and it has procured that the owner or an authorised licensor of the relevant Third Party IPR has granted a Third Party IPR Licence on the terms set out in Paragraph The Third Party IPR Licence granted to the Buyer shall be a non-exclusive, perpetual, royalty-free, irrevocable, transferable, worldwide licence to use, change and sub-licence any Third Party IPR which is reasonably required by the Buyer to enable it or any End User to receive and use the Deliverables and make use of the deliverables provided by a Replacement Supplier.. If the Supplier cannot obtain for the Buyer a licence on the terms set out in Paragraph The Third Party IPR Licence granted to the Buyer shall be a non-exclusive, perpetual, royalty-free, irrevocable, transferable, worldwide licence to use, change and sub-licence any Third Party IPR which is reasonably required by the Buyer to enable it or any End User to receive and use the Deliverables and make use of the deliverables provided by a Replacement Supplier. in respect of any Third Party IPR the Supplier shall:
  - 1.6.1.1. notify the Buyer in writing; and
  - 1.6.1.2. use the relevant Third Party IPR only if the Buyer has provided authorisation in writing, with reference to the acts authorised and the specific IPR involved.
- 1.6.2. In spite of any other provisions of the Contract and for the avoidance of doubt, award of this Contract by the Buyer and the ordering of any Deliverable under it does not constitute an authorisation by the Crown under Sections 55 and 56 of the Patents Act 1977 Section 12 of the Registered Designs Act 1949 or Sections 240 243 of the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988.
- 1.6.3. The Third Party IPR Licence granted to the Buyer shall be a non-exclusive, perpetual, royalty-free, irrevocable, transferable, worldwide licence to use, change and sub-licence any Third Party IPR which is reasonably required by the Buyer to enable it or any End User to receive and use the Deliverables and make use of the deliverables provided by a Replacement Supplier.

## 1.7. Termination of licences

1.7.1. The Supplier Existing IPR Licence granted pursuant to Paragraph Licences granted by the Supplier: Supplier Existing IPR and the Third Party IPR Licence granted pursuant to Paragraph Third Party IPR shall survive the Expiry Date and termination of this Contract.

- 1.7.2. The Supplier shall, if requested by the Buyer and to the extent reasonably necessary to ensure continuity of service during exit and transition to any Replacement Supplier, grant (or procure the grant) to the Replacement Supplier a licence to use any Supplier Existing IPR or Third Party IPR on terms equivalent to the Supplier Existing IPR Licence or Third Party IPR Licence (as applicable) subject to the Replacement Supplier entering into reasonable confidentiality undertakings with the Supplier.
- 1.7.3. Any licence granted to the Supplier pursuant to Paragraph Licences granted by the Buyer and New IPR (Licence granted by the Buyer) shall terminate automatically on the Expiry Date and the Supplier shall:
  - 1.7.3.1. immediately cease all use of the Buyer Existing IPR (including the Buyer Data within which the Buyer Existing IPR may subsist);
  - 1.7.3.2. at the discretion of the Buyer, return or destroy documents and other tangible materials that contain any of the Buyer Existing IPR and the Buyer Data, provided that if the Buyer has not made an election within six months of the termination of the licence, the Supplier may destroy the documents and other tangible materials that contain any of the Buyer Existing IPR and the Buyer Data (as the case may be); and
  - 1.7.3.3. ensure, so far as reasonably practicable, that any Buyer Existing IPR and Buyer Data that are held in electronic, digital or other machinereadable form ceases to be readily accessible from any computer, word processor, voicemail system or any other device of the Supplier containing such Buyer Existing IPR or Buyer Data.