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HM Treasury
Darlington Economic Campus
Feethams House
Darlington
DL1 5AD

Our Ref: 1814532
05 March 2024

RE: Consultancy Agreement – REDACTED TEXT FOIA Section 40, Personal Information

Dear **REDACTED TEXT FOIA Section 40, Personal Information**,

The University of Durham will supply the Services as described herein, in accordance with the Durham University Standard Terms and Conditions of Service attached hereto:

Consultants: **REDACTED TEXT FOIA Section 40, Personal Information**

Project Title: *Data analysis on maintenance of hospitals*

Client: HM Treasury

Client Contact: Name: **REDACTED TEXT
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Client Registered Address: Darlington Economic Campus
Feethams House
Darlington
DL1 5AD

**Client VAT Registration
Number** GB888827544

**Central Finance Address for
Invoices** (if different from
above): **REDACTED TEXT FOIA Section 40, Personal Information**

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HM Treasury
1 Horse Guards Road
London
SW1A 2HQ

Description of Services: As specified in Schedule 1 attached hereto.
Reports: As specified in Schedule 1 attached hereto.

Duration:

Effective Date: 1 January 2024
Completion Date: 30 September 2024

The Services shall be delivered to the Client over the equivalent of thirty (30) working days, which shall be undertaken between 1 January 2024 and 30 September 2024.

Specific deadlines for milestones of delivery shall be as specified in Schedule 1 hereto.

Agreement Price:

In consideration of delivery of the Services by the Consultant in accordance with this Letter of Agreement, the Client shall pay to the University a total sum of:

Forty thousand three hundred and thirty four GBP (£40,334), net price plus VAT, subject to Clause 3.2.

The Fees shall be payable on completion of services.

Breakdown of costs:

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Special Terms:**Publication Clause:**

The Parties will together develop an overall publication and dissemination strategy with regard to publications resulting from the Project. All proposed publications by any Party (including, but not limited to, scientific publications, patent applications and non-confidential presentations), shall be submitted in writing to the other Party for review at least thirty (30) days before submission for publication or before presentation, as the case may be. The reviewing Party may require the deletion from the publication of any Background IP and any patentable or commercially sensitive subject matter of the reviewing Party, or an amendment to the publication through which commercially sensitive material is disguised to the reasonable satisfaction of the reviewing Party. The reviewing Party may also request the delay of the publication if in the reviewing Party's reasonable opinion the delay is necessary in order to seek patent or similar protection to Foreground IP owned by the reviewing Party. Any delay imposed on publication shall not last longer than is reasonably necessary for the reviewing Party to obtain the required protection; and shall not exceed six (6) months from the date of receipt of the proposed publication by the reviewing Party. Notification of the requirement for delay in Publication must be received by the publishing Party within thirty (30) days after receipt of the proposed publication by the reviewing Party,

failing which the publishing Party shall be entitled to assume

that the reviewing Party has no objection to the proposed publication.

Please acknowledge your acceptance of these details and of the attached Standard Terms and Conditions by executing one (1) copy of this Letter of Agreement and returning a scanned copy along with the Standard Terms and Conditions to the email address below.

Yours Sincerely,

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ACKNOWLEDGED AND AGREED on behalf of the Client:

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Date: 05/03/2024

Please return one fully executed copy of this letter of agreement to:

consultancy.support@durham.ac.uk

SCHEDULE 1

The Services

The proposed project involves the collection and analysis of data on spend associated with maintaining significant public sector assets with an initial focus on NHS Trusts in the North East. This work will aid the Treasury in evaluating spend on maintenance and provide data with which to make future informed decisions on asset management, which may ultimately lead to improved efficiency and cost-effectiveness, representing value for money.

The project will be delivered primarily by **REDACTED TEXT FOIA Section 40, Personal Information**

Work plan

Phase 1: scoping, data gathering, fact finding, and initial data visualization. Initial contact with NHS England and at least one local NHS Trust.

Dates: January 2024 – April 2024

Phase 2: data analysis of maintenance costs including proactive and reactive perspectives using maintenance records and building conditions. Expected to have data for all relevant NE Trusts at different granularity levels depending on engagement.

Dates: April 2024 – July 2024

Phase 3: framework for predictive modelling to forecast maintenance expenses. Outline expansion plans to all trusts in England as well as other sectors.

Dates: July 2024 – September 2024

Deliverables

All reports will be delivered by email with copies stored securely in SharePoint. For reports that become public in the future, we will seek the support from the Durham Research Online team.

Deliverable 1: Phase 1 report with all relevant datasets curated to date annotated

Deliverable 2: Phase 2 report with any additional datasets. Where relevant, instructions on how to reproduce tables and plots will also be included.

Deliverable 3: Phase 3 report following the same principles of the other two reports.