20 July 2016

Reference number: FoI 302

REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

I am writing in response to the request you made to BBSRC under the Freedom of Information Act, which was received on Monday 11 July 2016.

Statement of information requested

1. Does your organisation currently have a contract for Security alarms, CCTV & Fire detection?
2. When this contract(s) is due to end?
3. Who are these contract(s) with?
4. How many devices are supplied and what manufacturer are they?
5. Were these items purchased using procurement framework, if so which framework was used?
6. When does your organisation intend to tender for these services?

Background

The Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC) is one of seven Research Councils that work together as Research Councils UK (RCUK). It is funded from the Government’s Department for Business, Innovation and Skills. BBSRC’s budget for 2014/15 was £509M and it supports around 1,600 scientists and 2,000 research students in universities and institutes in the UK. Information about BBSRC’s mission can be found on our website at http://www.bbsrc.ac.uk/organisation/mission.aspx.

UK Shared Business Services (UK SBS) provides a range of services, including IT, to BBSRC and other public sector organisations. UK SBS enters contracts on its clients behalf and provides services to them.

Duty to confirm or deny

BBSRC holds the information requested.

Requested Information

I will answer each of your questions in turn.

1. Does your organisation currently have a contract for Security alarms, CCTV & Fire detection?
   We (UKSBS acting as agents for BBSRC) have a contract with Mitie TFM Ltd who employ a range of Security sub-contractors providing various security services to Polaris House.

2. When this contract(s) is due to end?
   The Mitie TFM contract is due to end 31st March 2017.

3. Who are these contract(s) with?
   The Main contract is with Mitie TFM. We have no direct contracts with Security sub-contractors.

4. How many devices are supplied and what manufacturer are they?
We have numerous (hundreds) of devices and equipment on site, covering alarms, CCTV and fire detection. However main manufacturers are Security systems > Texecom, CCTV > Panasonic, Fire > TVF.

5. Were these items purchased using procurement framework, if so which framework was used?
   This would depend on the time of purchase, some items are years old. However, any recent purchases would be made via the Mitie TFM framework Contract No FM100077.

6. When does your organisation intend to tender for these services?
   The Mitie TFM contract is due to end 31st March 2017. It is likely we will begin a new tender soon, but this will be a Total Facilities Management contract (incorporating Security Services) as at present.

If you have any further questions, please contact me quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely

BBSRC Freedom of Information Officer

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