



Date  
20 June 2025

Post Office  
100 Wood Street  
London EC2V 9ER

Your Ref:

Classification:  
Public

Dear [REDACTED],

## Freedom of Information Request – FOI2025/00365

We are writing in response to your email received by Post Office Limited (**“Post Office”**) on 27 May, which has been dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (**“FOIA”**).

In your email, you have requested the information shown verbatim in bold below:

**“I would be most grateful if you would provide me, under the Freedom of Information Act, details in respect to the contract below.**

**Media Planning and Buying services:**

**<https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/021495-2025>**

**The details we require are:**

**What are the contractual performance KPI's for this contract?**

**Suppliers who applied for inclusion on each framework/contract and were successful & not successful at the PQQ & ITT stages**

**Actual spend on this contract/framework (and any sub lots), from the start of the contract to the current date**

**Start date & duration of framework/contract?**

**Could you please provide a copy of the service/product specification given to all bidders for when this contract was last advertised?**

**Is there an extension clause in the framework(s)/contract(s) and, if so, the duration of the extension?**

**Has a decision been made yet on whether the framework(s)/contract(s) are being either extended or renewed?**

**Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for this contract?"**

We can confirm that Post Office does hold the information you have requested.

To clarify, this is not a Contract Award Notice, this is a 'UK1 Pipeline Notice', which is new type of notice introduced under the Procurement Act 2023.

At the top of the notice you will find a link that explains the new notice types, which we have provided for ease: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Home/NoticeTypes>

For UK1 it states the following:

**"Procurement Act 2023 notice types**

**UK1 pipeline notice**

*Published about potential future contracts and dynamic markets.*

*Must be published between 1 April and 26 May inclusive for contracts over £2 million if a UK4 tender notice or UK5 transparency notice will be published in the 18 months starting 1 April. Can also be used to provide information on contracts that are further in the future, those with lower values, those that will be awarded under frameworks, and dynamic markets.*

*Not required for contracting authorities that will spend less than £100 million on relevant contracts in the financial year, for private utilities, or if Northern Irish rules apply."*

Therefore, this is advanced notice of an intention to undertake a procurement within the next 18 months.

While we hold information on who the senior officer (outside procurement) responsible for this contract is, we have decided that the information should be withheld under sections 40(2) and 40(3A) of the FOIA as the information constitutes personal data relating to other persons.

Post Office considers any information concerning the name of the individual responsible for procuring printer contracts to be exempt from disclosure under FOIA as 'personal information' as set out in section 40(2) and section 40(3A)(a) FOIA.

These sections provide that any information to which a request for information relates is exempt information if it constitutes personal data and the disclosure of that personal data to a member of the public otherwise than under the FOIA would contravene any of the data protection principles (set out in Article 5(1) of the EU General Data Protection Regulation (“**GDPR**”) (Section 40(7) of the FOIA)). Post Office considers that disclosure to you would contravene the 'lawfulness, fairness and transparency' principle set out at Article 5(1)(a) of the GDPR. Post Office also considers that it has no lawful basis on which to disclose to you that personal data since none of the lawful bases listed under Article 6(1) of the GDPR are available to it.

Please note that future opportunities will be published in accordance with the Procurement Regulations 2024. Further queries can be made via email to: [procurement@postoffice.co.uk](mailto:procurement@postoffice.co.uk)

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of this response, you do have a right to request an internal review. You can do this by writing to the address above within 40 working days of receipt of this response stating your reasons for your internal review request or alternatively, by emailing [information.rights@postoffice.co.uk](mailto:information.rights@postoffice.co.uk).

If, having requested an internal review by Post Office, you are still not satisfied with our response you also have a right of appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

[www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints](http://www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints)

Yours sincerely,

Information Rights Team

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