



Our Ref: 000537/21

Your Ref:

Address Correspondence to: Information Management

Date 11 March 2021

Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information received 15/02/2021.

I note you seek access to the following information:

Please can you provide the following service and maintenance contract information with regards to the organisation's Fire Alarms, Intruder Alarms, CCTV and Access Control?

1. *Contract Description: Please provide me with a brief description of the overall service provided under these contracts.*
2. *Contract Types: Comprehensive, Semi Comprehensive including call outs, Basic Service Only.*
3. *Existing Suppliers: If there is more than one supplier please split each contract up individually.*
4. *Annual Spend per contract: The annual spend for these contracts and please provide the average spend over the past 3 years for each provider*
5. *Hardware Brands: The hardware brand of the organisation's Fire Alarms systems, Intruder alarms, CCTV and Access Control.*
6. *Number of sites covered by these disciplines.*
7. *Contract Durations:*
8. *Contract Expiry Dates:*
9. *Contract Review Dates:*
10. *Go to Market: How where these services procured, please provide me with either the tender notice or the framework reference number.*
11. *Contact Detail: Of the person from with the organisation responsible for each contract full Contact details including full name, job title, direct contact number and direct email address.*
12. *If the contract is a managed by an outside FM Company please can you provide all the relevant details with including the contact details of the responsible person from the FM Company? (This request includes both DDI number and Mobile Number)*

Following receipt of your request, searches were conducted within Leicestershire Police to locate information relevant to your request.

Your request for information has now been considered and the information asked for is as follows: -

1. Contract descriptions are as follows:

- a. Fire Alarms – Testing of fire alarms, emergency lighting, fixed gaseous extinguishing systems and air sampling systems.
 - b. Intruder Alarms – No contract
 - c. CCTV – Supply, Install and maintenance.
 - d. Access Control – 24/7, 365 day a year emergency call out facility to respond to breakdowns or system malfunctions.
2. Contract Types:
 - a. Fire Alarms – Semi-Comprehensive
 - b. Intruder Alarms – N/A
 - c. CCTV – Comprehensive
 - d. Access Control – Semi-Comprehensive
3. Existing suppliers:
 - a. Fire Alarms – CDS
 - b. Intruder Alarms – N/A
 - c. CCTV – Tyco and Reflex Systems
 - d. Access Control – CVL Systems
4. Annual spend (average over past 3 years):
 - a. Fire Alarms - £16,739 for testing plus remedial work at an average of £44,000.
 - b. Intruder Alarms – N/A
 - c. CCTV – Contract values including 5 year maintenance - £839,400 & £365,429.
 - d. Access Control - £44,000
5. This information is considered exempt by virtue of section 31 as detailed below.
6. Sites covered by these areas:
 - a. Fire alarms – All
 - b. Intruder Alarms – N/A
 - c. CCTV – Custody and 17 Sites
 - d. Access Control – All sites
7. Contract Durations:
 - a. Fire Alarms – 5 years
 - b. Intruder Alarms – N/A
 - c. CCTV – 4.5 years and 5 years
 - d. Access Control – 3+2 years
8. Contract expiry:
 - a. Fire Alarms – 19th June 2022
 - b. Intruder alarms – N/A
 - c. CCTV – 31st October 2024 and 1st January 2025
 - d. Access Control – 30th June 2021 however we have the option to extend for a further 2 years
9. Contract review dates:
 - a. Fire Alarms – December 2021
 - b. Intruder Alarms – N/A
 - c. CCTV – January 2024 and June 2024
 - d. Access Control – February 2021
10. How services were procured:
 - a. Fire Alarms – Tender via www.eu-supply.com

- b. Intruder Alarms – N/A
- c. CCTV – ESPO 628 security and surveillance framework
- d. Access Control – Tender via www.eu-supply.com

11. Contact details within Leicestershire Police for contracts:
Ian Fraser, Head of Procurement
101 (ask for Leicestershire Police). Request Procurement.
Email: Procurement@leicestershire.pnn.police.uk

12. N/A

Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires Leicestershire Constabulary, when refusing to provide such information (because the information is exempt) to provide you the applicant with a notice which: (a) states that fact, (b) specifies the exemption in question and (c) states (if that would not otherwise be apparent) why the exemption applies.

The exemption(s) applicable relate to your request are as follows:

- Section 31 – Law Enforcement

Section 31 is a prejudice based, qualified exemption and there is a requirement to articulate the harm that would be caused as well as carrying out a public interest test.

Overall harm for Section 31

Alarms, CCTV and access control are fundamental to how the Police Service manages sites and access to premises and information within those premises. Information that exposes details of the protective controls in place within the organisation could be used to the advantage of terrorists or criminal organisations and individuals.

Factors favouring disclosure of information for Section 31

The public are entitled to know how public funds are spent and by disclosing this information the public would be able to see where public money is being spent and know that the Police are doing as much as they can to keep sites and information within safe.

Revealing this information would enable the public to have some reassurance that the Force's protection of sites is robust. This is an issue high on the public agenda and therefore the release of this information would contribute to an informed public debate.

Factors against disclosure of information for Section 31

Disclosure of specific brands used for fire alarms, CCTV and access control would mean that law enforcement tactics would be compromised, which would hinder the prevention and detection of crime. This would adversely affect public safety and have a negative impact on law enforcement due to potential revealing any potential weakness in the brands used to those minded to commit criminal activity.

Balance test

Whilst there is a strong public interest in the transparency of policing technology, Leicestershire Police will not divulge information if it is likely that it will compromise the work of the Police Service or place members of the public at risk. Disclosure of the requested information would highlight areas that could be exploited by criminals.

This will adversely affect Leicestershire Police's ability to detect and prevent crime, as it may alter the behaviours of those intent on criminal activity. This in itself could put members of the public at risk and hinder Law Enforcement. It is therefore our belief that the balance test lies in favour of not disclosing the information.

Leicestershire Police provides you the right to ask for a re-examination of your request under its review procedure. Letters should be addressed to Information Manager, Corporate Services Department at the above address. If you decide to request such a review and having followed the Force's full process you are still dissatisfied, then you have the right to direct your comments to the Information Commissioner who will give it consideration.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Officer
Leicestershire Police

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