



## Response to Request for Information

Reference      FOI 000231  
Date            22 June 2016

### ***Goods and Services Procurement***

#### **Request:**

Please supply me with the following statistics for your Council for Goods and Services procurement where 'goods' are tangible products such as pens or computers, generally known as supplies; 'works' are "the construction or demolition of buildings, both residential and non-residential, repair to the fabric of these buildings, construction of roads, bridges, tunnels, and the installation of gas, electric, and plumbing services" and 'services' are the provision of an intangible product such as care or refuse collection, whether it is carried out internally or externally. The following payments should be EXCLUDED: foster carer payments; payments to pension funds; payments to other local authorities for placement of clients or other non-commercial activities; payments to individuals for expenses, insurance settlements, council tax refunds, etc; Benefits payments and transfer payments.

The figures should cover (unless stated) the period 1st April 2015 to the 31st March 2016.

1. Council's net revenue budget?

We can confirm that the department holds information that you have asked for in relation to the above. However, the information is exempt under section 21 of the FOI Act because it is reasonably accessible to you, and I am pleased to inform you that you can access it on our website via the following link:

<http://www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=7466&p=0>

Section 21(1) of the Freedom of Information Act exempts disclosure of information that is reasonably accessible by other means, and the terms of the exemption mean that we do not have to consider whether or not it would be in the public interest for you to have the information.

2. Total value of Goods and Services acquired by the council from third party suppliers?

£389,011,841

3. The total value of contracts held by the council as at the 31st March 2016?

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<http://www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/article/6780/Contracts-Register>

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4. Cost of procurement management (Total cost of procurement function (staff salaries, on-costs, share of central recharges, dedicated system costs, contracted third party support costs) for a given period)?  
[£917,604](#)
5. The total number of contract managers named on the council contract register as at 31 March 2016?  
[As per question 3.](#)
6. The total number of contracts held by the council as at the 31st March 2016?  
[As per question 3.](#)
7. The total value of Goods and Services spent with suppliers whose head office/business address is in the area of the council?  
[£137,575,602](#)
8. The % saving (comparing the new contracted price to the old contracted price) in the top 5 valued (Total anticipated spend over the life of the contract) contracted procurements undertaken by the council awarded during the period 1st April 2015 to the 31st March 2016. (Only details of savings from procurements conducted by the Council itself should be included unless the procurement was for a Framework agreement for the Council itself or for use by other Public Sector Bodies in which case the saving achieved can be included).  
[Following reasonable enquiries, it has been established that the Council does not hold the above requested information.](#)

[Consequently, we are unable to provide any information relating to the above, and are informing you as required by Section 1\(1\) \(a\) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 \("The Act"\), that states:](#)

["Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request".](#)

9. The number of suppliers the spend with which adds up to 80% of the total spend with Third Parties?  
[368.](#)
10. The total number of contracts held by the council as at the 31st March 2016 with formalised and active contract management (Formalised contract management is viewed as regular, recorded and communicated processes for reviewing progress, issues, performance, outputs and outcomes including remedial action linked to contract terms by a responsible individual or

individuals or teams that is active)?

[As per question 3.](#)

11. The total number of contracted suppliers to the council as at the 31st March 2016 with partnership arrangements (A Partnership is defined as where the council and an identified supplier develop a close and long-term relationship governed by an agreement where the two share mutual objectives and where there are shared success objectives and adopt a high level of purposeful cooperation to maintain a trading relationship over time)?

[None.](#)

12. The total number of suppliers (contracted or not) that received a payment for Goods or services?

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<http://data.wolverhampton.gov.uk/View/finance>

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