

Response to Request for Information

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Procurement

Request:

I have been given a task to request the following:

- A copy of your thresholds for requests for Quotation's and Tendering?

Contract Procedure Rules

What to do:

- Below £250 - Procurement Cards should be used
 - Upto £10,000 – At least one written quote
 - Upto £50,000 - at least three written quotations using the Council's e-tendering system. Lowest price
 - Over £50,000 – Open tender. Most economically advantageous (Price, Quality, min 10% Social Value)
 - Over £164,000 for goods and services - Open tender advertised in OJEU. Most economically advantageous (Price, Quality, min 10% Social Value)
 - Over £600,000 for social care/health - Open tender advertised in OJEU. Most economically advantageous (Price, Quality, min 10% Social Value)
 - Over £4.1m for construction works – Open tender advertised in OJEU. Most economically advantageous (Price, Quality, min 10% Social Value)
- Procurement Expenditure for 14/15 and 15/16 to SME's – I require this information as we need to compare the levels of expenditure to ascertain whether our expenditure is in line with other organisations?
[In response to your request, we can confirm that we do not hold spend information categorised in this format.](#)
 - A copy of your Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) policy?
[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=9543&p=0>

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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.

You can find out more about Section 21 by reading the extract from the Act, available at: <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2000/36/section/21>