

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 001594
Date 20 October 2017

Kitchen Deep Cleaning Services

Request:

Please could I have a copy of the winning bid for PP17023 - Kitchen Deep Cleaning Services?

Following careful consideration, I regret to inform you that we have decided not to disclose this information.

The information you requested is being withheld as it falls under the exemption in section 43 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which relates to Commercial interests.

In applying this exemption, we have had to balance the public interest in withholding the information against the public interest in disclosure.

A key consideration in the application of this exemption is the fact that a bidder's tender submission in response to a competitive procurement process relates to how the bidder undertakes their commercial activity. In this case the tender submission includes details of operational activity.

It is therefore concluded on this occasion that the balance of public interest is against disclosure as the release of a bidder's tender submission will affect competition in the market and would prejudice that bidder's ability to compete for future contracts.