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The following information was requested on 27 July 2025:

I am writing to make a formal request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for information regarding your organisation's procurement activities and current contracts.

Information Requested:

1. Current Procurement Opportunities

- Details of any ongoing procurement exercises or tenders currently open or planned to commence within the next 12 months
- Estimated contract values and duration
- Key procurement contact details

2. Existing Contract Information

- List of major contracts (over £50,000 annual value) due for renewal or review in the next 24 months
- Contract end dates and review periods
- Primary contract categories

Scope: Please provide information covering the period from [current date] to [24 months forward];

Our Response

- 1. Current procurement opportunities:
 - Notices about opportunities over a set threshold can be found on the following website. Please search for "NHS Resolution" (including the speech marks): https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Search/.
 - The contact details for all our contracts are: NHSR Procurement and Contracts
 Team nhsr.procurement@nhs.net
- 2. Please, find attached NHS Resolution's list of major contracts (over £50,000 annual value) due for renewal or review in the next 24 months. Please note, we have redacted some parts of the information within the attached which we are unable to disclose on the grounds of security. Please see our refusal notice below for an explanation why we have applied the exemption.

Refusal notice

NHS Resolution is unable to disclose some of the information requested as this information is considered to be exempt from disclosure under:

Section 31 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Law Enforcement

31(1) Information which is not exempt information by virtue of section 30 is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice:

a) the prevention or detection of crime.

We consider that disclosing the manufacturer of some of our software Provider would be likely to materially increase the risk of successful attempts to hack our network. The information could be used by any person in the world (as is the nature of a disclosure under FOIA) particularly in conjunction with other information about our systems, to plan or prepare more sophisticated attacks.

Public Interest Test (PIT)

Public Interest considerations in disclosing the information

There is a general public interest in openness and transparency in public sector bodies which can help to maintain public trust. We recognise that there is a legitimate interest in knowing what systems we utilise, which helps to promote public confidence that the organisation maintains high levels of security.

Public interest considerations in favour of maintaining the exemption

NHS Resolution recognises its duty to protect personal data and confidential information held on our systems, as disclosure will, in our opinion, weaken our ability to protect our stakeholders and perform our functions.

Disclosing the withheld information would mean releasing details about our systems and their security into the public domain. This could make the information accessible to criminals, by enhancing criminals' abilities to carry out cyber-attacks. It also follows that a risk to our systems will also constitute a risk to both the general public and NHS Resolution staff whose information we hold.

By withholding this information, criminals will be prevented from exploiting such information in order to target our systems or individuals.

Balance of Public Interest Test

NHS Resolution acknowledges that there is an interest in the public knowing that the organisation has adequate levels of protection in place for its IT systems, to ensure that

we mitigate any risks befalling our systems on which we rely to run the organisation. We believe that ensuring the safety of our systems is paramount and on the balance of the PIT, we believe that there would be a clear causative link in disclosing some of the information you have requested which could expose the organisation to the risk of crime and subsequently endanger or cause harm to those whose data we hold.

NHS Resolution therefore believes that the greater public interest is in withholding this information.

This concludes our response to your request.

If you are not satisfied with the service that you have received in response to your information request, it is open to you to make a complaint and request a formal review of our decisions. If you choose to do this, you should write to <u>Joanne Appleby</u>, Deputy Data Protection Officer for NHS Resolution, within 28 days of your receipt of this reply. Reviews of decisions made in relation to information requests are carried out by a person who was not involved in the original decision-making about the request.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a review of the decision. Generally, the Information Commissioner will not make a decision unless you have exhausted the local complaints procedure. The address of the Information Commissioner's Office is:

Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

https://ico.org.uk/

Contract Ref	Project/Contract: Contract	Short Description	Start Date	Current End Date	Extendable	Max Extension End Date	Extension	Estimated	Contract Value	Primary Category
	Behavioural Assessment	Professional services to conduct behavioural								Medical Assessment Forms
C106495	Contract Edgecumbe	assessments.	12/10/2022	11/10/2025	1	11/10/2025	1	64873.33	194620	Records Tests
	Behavioural Assessment	Professional services to conduct behavioural								Medical Assessment Forms
C106492	Contract WPG	assessments.	12/10/2022	11/10/2025	1	11/10/2025	0	54666.67	164000	Records Tests
C177592	Cost Lawyers	Provision of Cost Lawyers service	01/06/2023	31/05/2026	1	31/05/2026	0	2500000	7500000	Legal services
C177591	Cost Lawyers	Provision of Cost Lawyers service	01/06/2023	31/05/2026	1	31/05/2026	0	2500000	7500000	Legal services
C371907			27/06/2025	26/06/2026	0	26/06/2026	0	139417.78	139417.78	IT software package
C336423	Atlassian-Jira licence renewal	Renewal of Atlassian-Jira licences.	22/02/2025	21/02/2026	0	21/02/2026	0	62652.27	62652.27	Data Software licences
	Doc Search Licence, Support	Provision of Doc Search licence, support and								Software package and
C282338	and Maintenance	maintenance.	23/03/2024	23/03/2026	1	23/03/2026	0	194310	388620	information systems
		provision of a team of data engineers /								
C220140	Pega Migration Team	architects on a Contract to hire basis.	06/11/2023	05/11/2025	0	05/11/2025	0	371652	743304	IT/IS Consultancy
	Cabinet space at Spring & Cody	Rental of 20kw of cabinet space at Spring								Software maintenance and
C162903	Parks	park Data Centre & 24kw at Cody park	01/06/2023	31/05/2026	0	31/05/2026	0	136153.55	408460.65	support
C161820			27/03/2023	26/03/2026	1	26/03/2026	1	155307.09	465921.26	Software maintenance and
C127943	Microsoft ESA & SCE Licenses	Provision of Microsoft Licenses	01/02/2023	31/01/2026	0	31/01/2026	0	573839.29	1721517.88	Data Software licences
		Pre-sales data architecture support as								
		further defined in the Statement of Work								Software maintenance and
C106214	Modern Data Platform	contained in Schedule 1 of this Order Form	25/10/2022	25/10/2025	1	25/10/2025	0	66400	199200	support
	Microsoft Dynamics Business	Microsoft Dynamics Business Central								
C102369	Central Support Services	Support Services	31/03/2022	30/03/2026	1	30/03/2026	1	94113.75	376455	IT/IS Consultancy
C75636	Zendesk Licences	Provision of Zendesk licences	21/02/2022	20/02/2026	1	20/02/2026	1	90567	362268	Data Software licences
										Research and development
		Procurement to procure Maternity academic								services and related
C264521	Maternity Academic Partner	partner services to evaluate MIS and EN.	20/03/2024	19/03/2026	0	19/03/2026	0	85793.5	171587	consultancy services
		The provision of legal services framework to								
		support in managing claims in NHS Primary								
C63582	Legal Panel Framework	and Secondary settings.	01/03/2022	28/02/2026	1	28/02/2026	1	145008567.1	579,000,000.00	Legal services