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Subject: FOI-17-1713 - Security Services
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Attachments: [Further Information - Right to Review & Appeal.pdf](#)
[FOI-17-1713 - SXL Security Services.docx](#)
[FOI-17-1713 - Events Security.docx](#)

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your information request of 13 November 2017. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested.

I would be most grateful if you would provide me, under the Freedom of Information Act, details in respect to the contracts below, details of which can be found on the second page of this document:

Security Services

Please find attached a document that further details our request and may assist you in providing this data.

Please refer to the two attached documents, [FOI-17-1713 – SXL Security Services](#) and [FOI-17-1713 – Events Security](#).

ACC is unable to provide you with information on **Contract values of each framework/contract (& any sub lots), year to date** as it is exempt from disclosure. In order to comply with its obligations under the terms of Section 16 of the FOISA, ACC hereby gives notice that we are refusing your request under the terms of Section 33(1)(b) – Commercial Interests - of the FOISA.

In making this decision ACC considered the following points:

The suppliers tender for business with the explicit understanding that pricing proposals are treated as part of a 'closed bid' exercise, where all companies involved bid for the contract based on their most competitive proposal, with no collusion nor ability to know any other tenderers proposed charges. The release of tendered pricing would provide other companies a significant competitive advantage, substantially prejudicing the suppliers ability to tender for new business, or to tender competitively to Aberdeen City Council in the future. The release of such information could also adversely affect current relationships with existing clients.

We hope this helps with your request.

Yours sincerely,

Grant Webster
Information Compliance Officer

INFORMATION ABOUT THE HANDLING OF YOUR REQUEST

ACC handled your request for information in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. Please refer to the attached PDF for more information about

your rights under FOISA.

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	Question Detail	PQQ		ITT This was a call-off under a SXL framework	
Q 1	Suppliers who applied for inclusion on each framework/contract and were successful & not successful at the PQQ & ITT stages. The framework owner is SXL accordingly they hold the framework information and should be contacted directly.	Successful Suppliers	Unsuccessful Suppliers	Successful Suppliers	Unsuccessful Suppliers
		N/A	N/A	SecuriGroup Services Ltd; Profile Security Services Ltd	Sercon Support Services Ltd; SecuriTay Ltd
		All eligible suppliers for the Aberdeen City area under Scotland Excel Security Services Framework 0814 were invited to the mini-competition. There were 8 eligible suppliers of which the four noted above responded			
Q 2	Contract values of each framework/contract (& any sub lots), year to date	Contract pricing is considered commercially sensitive information. The total contract value over the initial 3 year term is around £750,000 across all successful suppliers.			
Q 3	Start date & duration of framework	Scotland Excel Security Services Framework 0814 Start – 01 Apr 2015 End – 31 Mar 2018 Contract awarded on following basis (within terms of Framework): Start of guarding/marshalling services – June 2017 Start of keyholding services – July 2018 End – June 2020			
Q 4		Full details of Scotland Excel Framework 0814 (including all suppliers, lots, guidance and terms) are available on Scotland Excel website here: http://www.scotland-excel.org.uk/contract.aspx?contract=0814&pageNumber=4			
Q 5	Is there an extension clause in the framework(s)/contract (s) and, if so, the duration of the extension?	Extension of Framework until 31 Mar 2019 Extension within contract award until June 2021			
Q 6	Has a decision been made yet on whether the	No – this will be made in Spring 2020 prior to the contract expiration.			

	framework(s)/contract (s) are being either extended or renewed ?	
Q 7	Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for this contract?	Manned guarding services Customer Service Operations Manager Accommodation Units Team Leader Team Manager (Civic Support) Keyholding services Facilities Manager Taxi marshalling services Community Safety Hub Service Manager

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				Showsec Intl Ltd	Specialized Security SecuriGroup Showsec international ltd
Q 2	Contract values of each framework/contract (& any sub lots), year to date	Total value of the procurement Value excluding VAT: 800 000.00 GBP			
Q 3	Start date & duration of framework	Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system Duration in months: 60 This contract is subject to renewal: Yes			
Q 4	Scope of services provided under current contract	<p>Aberdeen City Council (“the Council”) is responsible for providing a wide range of services to the population of Aberdeen. Aberdeen currently has a population of circa 220,000 with approximately 105,000 domestic and 8,000 non-domestic properties. There are currently 13 multi-member electoral wards with a number of Councillors in each.</p> <p>Aberdeen City Council’s Event Stewarding contract will cover the requirements of three independent council sections. These are:-</p> <p><u>City Events</u></p> <p>The City Events team organise and / or facilitate a variety of events throughout the year. Events are held in numerous locations and vary from ticketed Highland Games to a free, non-ticketed, Christmas Parade. Generally speaking the events are designed to attract an audience from a wide cross section of the community both from within and outside the City. The audience at events requiring stewarding can vary from 300 to in excess of 15,000.</p> <p><u>Beach Ballroom</u></p> <p>The Beach Ballroom is a multi-purpose licensed venue under the management of Aberdeen City Council, which hosts a variety of events from pop concerts, boxing events, dinner dances and conferences throughout the year.</p> <p>The venue has 3 main function areas with the following maximum capacities.</p>			

		<p>Ballroom 1000 Northern Lights 100 Star Ballroom 150</p> <p>The requirement is to provide ad-hoc stewarding for the various events held throughout the year. Stewarding requirements to be discussed and agreed with the successful supplier as and when required.</p> <p><u>The Election Unit</u></p> <p>The Election Unit has a requirement for stewarding at election count venues. The size and location of the venue varies depending upon the nature of the election.</p> <p>City-wide election counts are held at large scale venues, for example the AECC, Bridge of Don. The approximate requirement for stewards would be 12 staff for 11 hours between the times of 20:00 hours and 07:00 hours.</p> <p>Local Government By-Election counts are held at smaller venues, for example the Beach Ballroom, Beach Esplanade or the Town House, Broad Street. The approximate requirement for stewards required would be 2 staff for 5 hours between the times of 09:00 hours to 14:00 hours.</p> <p>The next scheduled election count is not until 2020 however there is always the possibility of unscheduled elections between then and now.</p> <p>The requirement is to provide ad-hoc stewarding for the Election Unit to cover the election counts. Stewarding requirements to be discussed and agreed with the successful supplier prior to each election.</p>
Q 5	Is there an extension clause in the framework(s)/contract(s) and, if so, the duration of the extension?	The initial term will be 3 years with the option to extend for up to a further 24 months.
Q 6	Has a decision been made yet on whether the framework(s)/contract(s) are being either extended or renewed?	NO
Q 7	Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for this contract?	Stephen O'Neill Senior Events Officer