

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTHB_266_16

You asked:

Please state what your estimated annual spend is on electrical materials and associated products for the financial year 2015/2016. This might be against the agreement RM3747 - Building Materials and Associated Services, Lot 3 Electrical

Where possible please state the suppliers you have bought from and the spend against them.

Where possible please state the products bought and the price paid.

Our response:

I can confirm that the Electrical Material and associated service spend for 2015/2016 is approx £168k.

We have purchased from the following suppliers;

Supplier	Supplier
ADVANCED AIR	NOVAR GENT(Honeywell)
ALPHA ELECTRONICS(Wales)Ltd	P4 Ltd
Brandon Medical Company Ltd	PLINTH 2000 Ltd
BSS / PTS	PPG ARCHITECTURAL COATINGS
CATERTECH services Ltd	RS COMPONENTS
City Electrical Factors(CEF)	Screwfix
Control and Service Technolgy Ltd	SECA united Kingdom
CONTROL GEAR	Senate(Denmans)
DRJ Hardware	SET Office Supplies Ltd,
EDMUNDSON ELECTRICAL	SIEMENS(now Unify)
FARNELL	SOCAMEL UK(Colston)
GREENHAMS	SPIRAX SARCO Ltd
GRIFFITHS SIGNS and Equipment CO	Static System Group PLC
HAIGH ENGINEERING company Ltd	SUPAC LTD
HOBART	T J ELECTRICAL
HUNTLEIGH HEALTHCARE sales	Tomlinsons
INSIGHT DIRECT UK LTD	TSO Bookshops
IsoPharm Sentry	TUNSTALL TELECOM LTD
L H EVANS	Wandsworth
LINAK UK Ltd,	Wandsworth Group Ltd

LloydsIP	
Loneguard Ltd T/A SE Controls	
MOD FIX Ltd	

The various suppliers will be due to maintenance contracts we have in place for certain equipment and we have a contract in place for stock items only with City Electrical Factors.

The spend against individual suppliers has been withheld under Section 43 – Commercial Interests of the Freedom of Information Act. This section of the Act sets out an exemption from the right to know if:

- the information requested is a trade secret, or
- release of the information is likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any person. (A person may be an individual, a company, the public authority itself or any other legal entity).

This exemption was considered by the Health Board when deciding whether to release this information because it was felt that in doing so it could be a significant risk in prejudicing the commercial interests of the company in question. However, as this is a qualified exemption, the Health Board must carry out the public interest in deciding whether it is in the public's interest to withhold or disclose the information.

The Health Board accepts that there is a public interest in ensuring openness and transparency and there is an interest in the public being aware of how much money is spent and the benefits derived from that expenditure. However, the Health Board believes that disclosure of information in a manner which fails to protect the interests and relationships arising in a commercial context could have the effect of discouraging companies from dealing with the Health Board because of fears that the disclosure of information could damage them commercially. In turn this could then jeopardise the Health Board's ability to compete fairly and pursue its function to bring forward development in the area and obtain value for money, especially as this service has recently gone out to tender. It was therefore decided that it was not in the public's interest to disclose this information.