

#### SHORT FORM SERVICES AGREEMENT

between

## THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF DURHAM (1) AS COUNCIL

**AND** 

#### **NEWSMAKER PR AND VIDEO PRODUCTION LTD (2)**

**AS PROVIDER** 

#### **CONTRACT FOR THE**

**PROVISION OF** 

FUTURE BUSINESS MAGNATES VIDEO CONTENT CREATION

**OPEN REFERENCE: OPEN20251785** 

DATE OF AGREEMENT: 17/10/2025

#### **CONTRACT PARTICULARS**

Contract Title Contract for the Provision Future Business Magnates

video content creation

**Council** The County Council of Durham

**Provider** Newsmaker PR and Video Production Ltd

**Documents included in the Contract**Contract Particulars;

Terms and Conditions:

Schedules:

1. Service Specification

2. Due Diligence & Declaration/Proposal

3. Pricing Schedule

4. Data Protection

Requirement for Enhanced DBS Checks No

Requirement for Criminal Records

Checks

No

Exit Management Plan required No

Commencement Date 01/09/2025

Contract End Date (and any option to

extend)

31/08/2028

 Summary of Services
 see attached specification

 Contract Price
 see attached pricing schedule

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#### **BETWEEN**

- (1) The County Council of Durham of County Hall, Aykley Heads, Durham, DH1 5UZ (Council).
- (2)
  Newsmaker PR and Video Production Ltd whose registered office is 2 Halkirk Way, Cramlington, Northumberland NE23 3FZ (**Provider**).

#### **BACKGROUND**

- A. The Provider submitted a due diligence in September 2025.
- B. On the basis of the Provider's due diligence, the Council selected the Provider to provide the Services to the Council in accordance with this Contract.

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#### TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

#### 1. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

1.1 In these conditions of contract ("**Conditions**"), unless the context requires otherwise, the following words and phrases shall have the following meanings:

**Associated Person** any person the Provider relies or relied upon to satisfy the

Conditions of Participation (other than a guarantor).

Authorised Representative

means the person duly appointed by the Provider in accordance with Clause 6 and notified in writing to the Council to act as the primary representative for the

Provider for the purposes of this Contract.

Bribery Act means the Bribery Act 2010 and any subordinate

legislation made under that Act from time to time together with any guidance or codes of practice issued by the relevant government department concerning the

legislation.

**Change** means any change to this Contract including to any of the

Services.

**Change Control Note** means the written record of any Change agreed or to be

agreed by the parties pursuant to the procedure in Clause

11.

**Change in Law** means any change in any Law which impacts on the

performance of the Services and which comes into force after the Commencement Date (as set out in the Contract

Particulars).

**Change of Control** has the meaning given in Clause 12.

Commercially Sensitive Information

means any Confidential Information comprised of information:

(a) which is provided by the Provider and designated as commercially sensitive information by the Council for the

period set out in the Contract; and/or

**Confidential Information** 

(b) that constitutes a trade secret:

means all confidential information (however recorded or preserved) disclosed by a party or its employees, workers, subcontractors, and agents to the other party and that party's employees, workers, subcontractors, and agents in connection with this Contract, including but not limited to:

(a) any information that would be regarded as confidential by a reasonable business person relating to:

- (i) the business, affairs, customers, suppliers or plans of the disclosing party; and(ii) the operations, processes, product information, know-how, designs, trade secrets or software of the disclosing party;
- (b) any information developed by the parties in the course of carrying out this agreement;
- (c) any Commercially Sensitive Information.

#### **Connected Person**

has the meaning given in Paragraph 45, Part 3, Schedule 6 of the Procurement Act 2023.

#### Contract

means the legally binding agreement made between the Council and the Provider for the provision of the Services incorporating the Contract Documents.

#### **Contract Documents**

shall mean the Purchase Order and these Conditions together with the documents listed in the Purchase Order which may include the invitation to tender documents or the Provider's quotation or tender or provider proposal response and all specifications, plans, drawings and fee schedules which are relevant to the Contract.

#### **Contract Manager**

means the person duly appointed by the Council in accordance with Clause 6 and notified in writing to the Provider to act as the representative for the Council for the purposes of this Contract or as amended from time to time and in default of such notification shall be the Council's Chief Procurement Officer or similar responsible officer.

## **Contract Performance Notice**

means a notice used to publish the information required to be published under section 71 of the Procurement Act 2023

#### Council

means the County Council of County Durham, whose principal office is at County Hall, Aykley Heads, Durham, DH1 5UZ.

#### **Debarment List**

means the list of suppliers referred to in section 62 of the Procurement Act 2023.

#### **Default**

means any breach of the obligations under the Contract (including but not limited to fundamental breach or breach of a fundamental term) or any other default, act, omission, negligence or negligent statement of the Provider in connection with or in relation to the subject-matter of the Contract and in respect of which the Provider is liable to the Council.

#### **EIRs**

means the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (SI 2004/3391) together with any guidance and/or codes of practice issued by the Information Commissioner or

relevant government department in relation to such regulations.

**Fee** means the fee or price agreed between the Council and

the Provider for the provision of the Services.

**FOIA** means the Freedom of Information Act 2000 together with

any guidance or codes of practice issued by the Information Commissioner or relevant government

department in relation to such legislation.

Fraud means any offence under laws creating offences in

respect of fraudulent acts or at common law in respect of fraudulent acts in relation to the Contract or defrauding or attempting to defraud or conspiring to defraud the Council.

**General Change in Law** 

means a Change in Law where the change is of a general legislative nature, or which generally affects or relates to the supply of services which are the same as, or similar to, the Services.

to, the Service

Good Industry Practice

means in relation to the performance of any activity to which this standard is applied, the exercise of that degree of skill, diligence, prudence and foresight as would reasonably be expected from a properly qualified and competent person engaged in carrying out services of a similar size, nature, scope, type and complexity, complying with all Legal Requirements and applicable

British, European and international standards and published codes of practice;

Information

for the purposes of Clause 26, has the meaning given

under Section 84 FOIA.

**Insolvency Event** 

means a situation where the Provider is a company and in respect of the Provider any of the following events occur:

- (1) a proposal is made for voluntary arrangement within Part I of the Insolvency Act 1986 or of any other composition scheme or arrangement with, or assignment for the benefit of, its creditors; or
- (2) a shareholders' meeting is convened for the purpose of considering a resolution that it be wound up or a resolution for its winding-up is passed (other than as part of, and exclusively for the purpose of, a bona fide reconstruction or amalgamation); or
- (3) a petition is presented for its winding up (which is not dismissed within 14 days of its service) or an application is made for the appointment of a provision liquidator or a creditors' meeting is convened pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986; or
- (4) a receiver, administrative receive or similar officer is appointed over the whole or any part of its business or assets; or

- (5) an application order is made either for the appointment of an administrator or for an administration order, an administrator is appointed, or notice of intention to appoint an administrator is given; or
- (6) it is or becomes insolvent within the meaning of Section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986; or
- (7) being a "small company" within the meaning of Section 382 of the Companies Act 2006, a moratorium comes into force pursuant to Schedule A1 of the Insolvency Act 1986; or
- (8) any event similar to those listed between (a) to (g) occurs under the law of any other jurisdiction.

## Intellectual Property Rights

means patents, utility models, rights to inventions, copyright and neighbouring and related rights, moral rights, trade marks and service marks, business names and domain names, rights in get-up and trade dress, goodwill and the right to sue for passing off or unfair competition, rights in designs, rights in computer software, database rights, and all other intellectual property rights, in each case whether registered or unregistered and including all applications and rights to apply for and be granted, renewals or extensions of, and rights to claim priority from, such rights and all similar or equivalent rights or forms of protection which subsist or will subsist now or in the future in any part of the world.

## 'Key Performance Indicators' or 'KPIs'

both mean the key performance indicators that may be required under this Contract.

#### **Key Personnel**

are the persons agreed between the parties or specified in the Contract Documents as key personnel who are required to provide the Services on behalf of the Provider;

#### **Legal Requirement**

means any of the following:

- (i) any enactment to the extent that it applies to that
- (ii) any regulation made by the Council to the extent that it applies to that party
- (iii) any interpretation of law, or finding, contained in any judgement given by a court or tribunal of competent jurisdiction in respect of which the period for making an appeal has expired which requires any legal requirement falling within paragraphs (a) or (b) above to have effect in a way which is different to that in which it previously had effect:

#### **Premises**

means any premises owned, occupied or leased by the Council or as described in the Contract;

#### **Prohibited Act**

means any of the following:

- (a) to directly or indirectly offer, promise or give any person working for or engaged by the Council a financial or other advantage to:
  - (i) induce that person to perform improperly a relevant function or activity;
  - (ii) reward that person for improper performance of a relevant function or activity;
- (b) to directly or indirectly request, agree to receive or accept any financial or other advantage as an inducement or a reward for improper performance of a relevant function or activity in connection with this Contract;
- (c) committing any offence:
  - (i) under the Bribery Act;
  - (ii) under the Prevention of Corruption Acts 1889 to 1916:
  - (iii) under legislation creating offences concerning fraudulent acts;
  - (iv) at common law concerning fraudulent acts relating to this Contract or any other agreement with the Council; or
  - (v) defrauding, attempting to defraud or conspiring to defraud the Council;
- (d) giving any fee or reward the receipt of which is an offence under Section 117(2) of the Local Government Act 1972:
- (e) directly or indirectly canvassing any member or officer of the Council or obtaining or attempting to obtain information concerning any other quotation, tender or contract.

**Provider** 

**Purchase Order** 

means the company whose tender or quotation or proposal has been accepted by the Council to provide the Services and, in the case of a limited company, its successors, and in the case of any other person or persons, his or their executors or administrators, and in the case of joint Providers, they shall be jointly and severally bound by the Contract. The Provider may also be referred to as the Provider in the Contract Documents. means an order in the form of a purchase order or letter of appointment issued by the Council which specifies inter alia the Services, the Fee, and the quantity and description of any goods or materials required as part of the Services by the Council.

#### **Request for Information**

means a request for information or an apparent request under the Code of Practice on Access to Government Information, FOIA, or the EIRs. **Services** mean all the services to be provided by the Provider under

the Contract and set out in the Contract Documents.

Working Day means a day other than Saturday, Sunday, or a public

holiday, on which clearing banks are open for non-

automated commercial business in London.

**1.2** Reference in these Conditions to the term 'in writing' includes emails.

- **1.3** Clause, schedule, and paragraph headings shall not affect the interpretation of this Contract.
- 1.4 A reference to **includes** or **including** shall be construed without limitation to the generality of the preceding words.
- **1.5** A **person** includes a natural person, corporate or unincorporated body (whether or not having separate legal personality).
- 1.6 A reference to a **company** shall include any company, corporation, or other body corporate, wherever and however incorporated or established.
- 1.7 Unless the context otherwise requires, words in the singular shall include the plural and in the plural include the singular.
- 1.8 Unless context requires otherwise, a reference to one gender includes a reference to the other genders.
- 1.9 Unless expressly provided for in this Contract, a reference to legislation or a legislative provision is a reference to it as amended, extended, consolidated, reenacted and/or replaced and includes any subordinate legislation made under it, in each case from time to time.
- **1.10** Any obligation in this Contract on a person not to do something includes an obligation not to agree or allow that thing to be done.
- **1.11** If there is a conflict between the terms of the Contract and the terms of the schedules, the terms of this Contract shall take first priority.
- **1.12** Any reference in these Conditions to 'parties' shall mean both the Council and the Provider.
- **1.13** References to Clauses and Schedules are to the clauses and schedules of this Contract and references to Paragraphs are to paragraphs of the relevant schedule.
- **1.14** A reference to this Contract or to any other agreement or document is a reference to the Contract or such other agreement or document as varied from time to time.

#### 2. ACCEPTANCE OF THE PROVIDER'S TENDER, QUOTATION, OR PROPOSAL

2.1 The Contract shall commence, and the Provider is bound contractually to provide the Services in accordance with the Contract Documents upon the Council's written acceptance of the Provider's proposal or quotation by issue of the Purchase Order.

#### 3. WHOLE AGREEMENT

- 3.1 The Provider agrees that only these Conditions shall apply to the Contract to the exclusion of all other terms and conditions including any terms and conditions which the Provider may purport to apply under any order, confirmation of order or similar documents or in correspondence with the Council. The Provider hereby waives any contractual rights which the Provider might otherwise obtain from such terms and conditions.
- 3.2 The Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the parties. No variations, deletions, amendments, modifications or alterations of any kind to the Contract will be accepted unless agreed in writing by the parties.
- 3.3 In the event of inconsistency between the provisions of these Conditions and/or any of the Contract Documents, then the Contract Manager shall determine which document(s) shall prevail and may issue appropriate instructions in writing resolving any ambiguity or discrepancy.

#### 4. THE SERVICES

- **4.1** The Provider warrants that it shall:
  - (1) perform the Services strictly in accordance with the timetable, programme, dates or times specified in the Contract Documents or notified to it by the Council or if no such dates or times are so specified or notified then within the shortest period during which the Provider can reasonably execute the Services;
  - (2) co-operate with the Council in all matters relating to the Services and comply with all instructions issued by the Council;
  - (3) perform the Services in a professional manner using the best applicable techniques and standards and with all reasonable skill, care and diligence;
  - (4) perform the services in accordance with Good Industry Practice and Legal Requirements:
  - ensure that all staff supplying the Services shall do so with all due skill, care and diligence and shall possess such qualifications, skills and experience as are necessary for the proper supply of the Services;
  - (6) ensure that the Services will conform with all descriptions and specifications set out in the Contract Documents;
  - (7) provide all necessary facilities, equipment, materials, tools, vehicles and such other items as are required to provide the Services;
  - (8) use the best quality goods, materials, standards and techniques in the provision of the Services:
  - (9) observe all health and safety rules and regulations and any other security requirements that apply at the Council's premises;

- (10) hold all materials, equipment and tools, drawings, specifications and data (the "Council's Materials") supplied by the Council to the Provider in safe custody at its own risk and maintain the Council's Materials in good condition until such time as they are returned to the Council and do not dispose of or use the Council's Materials other than in accordance with the Council's written instructions or authorisation; and
- (11) not do or omit to do anything which may cause the Council to lose any licence, authority, consent or permission upon which it relies for the purposes of conducting its business and the Provider acknowledges that the Council may rely or act on the Services.
- **4.2** The Provider shall at all times ensure that it has and maintains all the licences, permissions, authorisations, consents and permits that it needs to carry out its obligations under the Contract.
- 4.3 The Contract Manager shall have the power to reject any work which he does not consider to have been carried out reasonably in accordance with the Contract Documents and in such an event the Provider shall if so required by the Contract Manager in writing forthwith cause the work rejected to be done again with all reasonable despatch. The Provider shall not be entitled to receive any additional payment from the Council for any work rejected by the Contract Manager.
- **4.4** The Provider shall additionally:
  - (1) promptly notify the Council in writing if, at any point during the Contract Period (as set out in the Contract Particulars):
    - (i) the Provider, the Provider's Connected Persons (including an Associated Person), or any sub-contractor is placed on the Debarment List;
    - (ii) a mandatory or discretionary exclusion ground under the Procurement Act 2023 applies to the Provider, the Provider's Connected Persons (including an Associated Person), or any sub-contractor
  - (2) promptly notify the Council in writing within five days regarding any changes to the Provider's Connected Persons (including an Associated Person) together with information regarding the identity of the new Connected Persons.

#### 5. PROVIDER'S PERSONNEL AND PERFORMANCE

- 5.1 The Provider shall properly manage and monitor performance of the Services and immediately inform the Contract Manager if any aspect of the Contract is not being or is unable to be performed.
- **5.2** The Provider shall:
  - (1) provide personnel who are suitably and appropriately skilled, qualified, competent and experienced to undertake the Services and perform tasks assigned to them;
  - (2) provide a sufficient number of personnel to ensure that the Provider fulfils all its obligations under the Contract;
  - (3) ensure its personnel are acceptable to the Council;
  - (4) give the Council, if so requested, full particulars of all personnel who are or may be at any time employed on the Contract; and
  - (5) properly manage and supervise its personnel during provision of the Services to the Council.

- 5.3 If the Council gives the Provider notice that any person is to be removed from involvement in the Services, the Provider shall take immediate steps to comply with such notice. The decision of the Council regarding the Provider's personnel shall be final and conclusive.
- The Provider shall take all reasonable steps to avoid changes to any of the personnel designated in the Contract as Key Personnel. The Provider shall give at least 28 calendar days' notice to the Contract Manager of any proposals to change Key Personnel.
- 5.5 The Provider shall ensure that all personnel working or attending the Premises comply with rules, regulations, safety and security instructions from the Council, including completion of any additional clearance procedures required by the Council and return of any passes as required.
- 5.6 Unless otherwise agreed by the Council, neither the Provider nor any of its personnel or agents shall carry out any business or trading activity within the confines of the Premises and no advertisement, sign or notice of any description shall be exhibited.
- 5.7 The Provider shall exercise due care and propriety when dealing with third parties in connection with the Contract and ensure that no commitments are entered into (unless expressly required under the Contract), without the Council's prior written consent.
- 5.8 Nothing in the Contract shall be construed as creating a contract of employment between the Council and the Provider or any of its personnel.
- 5.9 Without prejudice to the submission of reports as specified under the Contract, the Provider shall render any additional reports as to the performance of the Services at such time or times and in such form as the Contract Manager may reasonably require.
- 5.10 The Provider's Authorised Representative or a substitute approved by the Provider shall attend all meetings arranged as reasonably required by the Council for the discussion of matters connected with the performance of the Services.

#### 6. CONTRACT MANAGER AND AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE

- 6.1 The Provider shall employ a competent Authorised Representative empowered to act on behalf of the Provider for all purposes connected with this Contract.
- 6.2 The Provider shall within seven (7) days of the date of this Contract give notice in writing to the Council of the identity of the Authorised Representative. The Provider shall within seven (7) days give notice in writing to the Council of any change in the identity, postal address, email address and telephone numbers of the person appointed as Authorised Representative. The Provider shall give maximum possible notice to the Council before changing its Authorised Representative.
- 6.3 The Council shall appoint a Contract Manager who shall be empowered to act on behalf of the Council for all purposes connected with this Contract.
- 6.4 If the Contract Manager's details are not specified in the Contract Particulars, the Council shall within seven (7) days of the date of this Contract give notice in writing to the Provider of the identity of the Contract Manager. The Council shall within seven (7) days give notice in writing to the Provider of any change in the identity, postal address, email address and telephone number of the person appointed Contract Manager.

#### 7. PROVIDER'S PERSONNEL AND PERFORMANCE

7.1 During the course of the Contract, the Council shall have the power to inspect and examine any of the Services on the Premises at any reasonable time. Where the Services are being performed on any other premises, the Contract Manager or the Council shall on giving reasonable notice to the Provider be entitled to inspect and examine the Services. The

Provider shall provide free of charge all such facilities as the Council may reasonably require for such inspection and examination. In this Clause 7, Services includes planning or preliminary work for the Services.

- **7.2** The Council shall use reasonable endeavours to ensure that the conduct of each inspection or examination does not unreasonably disrupt the Provider or delay the provision of the Services.
- 7.3 The Council reserves the right to, for the duration of the contract and for 6 years following termination, reasonably request and the Provider hereby agrees to supply any receipts or invoices from the Provider's sub-contractors as the Council may specify. The Council and its duly appointed agents shall have full audit rights of all documents produced wholly or partly for the purpose of this Contract including the right to inspect documents and to take copies.
- 7.4 The Provider shall retain, produce when required (and explain as necessary) such accounts, documents (including working documents and electronic documents) and records (including electronic records) as the Council, or the Contract Manager, may request, in connection with the Contract, at any time during the Contract and for a period of 6 years from the date of expiry or termination.
- 7.5 The Provider shall provide all reasonable co-operation to the Council in relation to any action the Council takes under this Clause 7, including allowing the Council (acting by itself or through its representatives) access to any of the Provider's premises, systems, personnel, and relevant records as may be required to:
  - (1) fulfil any legally enforceable request by any regulatory body;
  - (2) verify the accuracy of the Fee or identify suspected fraud;
  - (3) review the integrity, confidentiality, and security of any data relating to the Council or service users:
  - (4) review the Provider's compliance with Clause 26 (Data Protection and Freedom of Information)
  - (5) verify that the Services are being provided and all obligations of the Provider are being performed in accordance with this Contract.

#### 8. INVOICES AND PAYMENT

- 8.1 The Provider shall submit an invoice to the Council as specified in the Contract or within 30 calendar days of completion of the Services. All invoices shall quote the name of the Provider, the sum requested, the Purchase Order number, the Contract's unique identification number, and a breakdown of Services provided during that period.
- 8.2 The Provider shall submit with the invoice such records as the Council may reasonably require including, but not limited to, time sheets, expenses incurred, invoices paid or any other documents which would enable the Council to verify the information and the amounts referred to in that invoice.
- **8.3** For the avoidance of doubt, the Council shall conduct its obligations in relation to payment in accordance with section 68 of the Procurement Act 2023.
- **8.4** Except where otherwise provided in the Contract, the amount payable to the Provider for the performance of the Services shall be inclusive of all costs of staff, facilities, travel and subsistence expenses, equipment, materials and all other expenses whatsoever incurred by the Provider in discharging its obligations under the Contract.
- 8.5 The Council shall pay all invoices received from the Provider within thirty (30) days from receipt of a valid and undisputed invoice in accordance with this Clause 8.

- 8.6 Clause 8.5 does not apply if the Council considers the invoice invalid or disputes the invoice. The Council shall notify the Provider without undue delay in these circumstances.
- 8.7 Where the Contract permits variation of the Fee to be made on account of variation of wages, cost of materials, cost of transport, or other matters, any such variation shall only be made in accordance with any supplementary conditions of the Council governing such variations and annexed to these Conditions and shall be subject to 30 calendar days' notice in writing and the written approval of the Contract Manager.
- 8.8 All sums payable under the Contract unless otherwise stated are exclusive of Value Added Tax (VAT) which shall be payable by the Council in the manner and at the rate prescribed by law, provided the Provider has submitted a valid VAT invoice.
- 8.9 The Council shall accept and process for payment any electronic invoice submitted by the Provider provided that it is undisputed and in a form which complies with the standard for electronic invoicing (and uses any related syntaxes) as approved and issued by the British Standards Institution from time to time.
- **8.10** The Council shall have the power to set off any sums due from the Provider to the Council against any sums due from the Council to the Provider under the Contract.

#### 9. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

- 9.1 In the absence of prior written agreement by the Council to the contrary, all Intellectual Property Rights created by the Provider or its personnel:
  - (1)in the course of performing the Services; or
  - (2) exclusively for the purpose of performing the Services,
  - shall vest in the Council on creation.
- 9.2 The Provider shall indemnify the Council against all claims, demands, actions, costs, expenses (including legal costs and disbursements), losses and damages arising from or incurred by reason of the Provider's actual infringement or alleged infringement (including the defence of such alleged infringement) of any Intellectual Property Rights in the provision of the Services.

#### 10. PROVIDER'S UNSATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE

- 10.1 Where in the opinion of the Council, the Provider has failed to perform the whole or any part of the Services, with the standard of skill, care and diligence which a competent and suitably qualified person performing the same Services could reasonably be expected to exercise, or in accordance with the Contract Documents, the Council may give the Provider a notice specifying the way in which its performance falls short of the requirements of the Contract, or is otherwise unsatisfactory.
- **10.2** Where the Provider has been notified of a failure in accordance with Clause 10.1 the Council may:
  - (1) request from the Provider that, at its own expense and as specified by the Council, it re-schedules and performs the Services to the Council's satisfaction within such period as may be specified by the Council in the notice, including where necessary, the correction or re-execution of any Services already carried out; or
  - (2) withhold or reduce payments to the Provider, in such amount as the Council deems appropriate in each particular case.

#### 11. CHANGE CONTROL

- 11.1 Either party may submit a written request for Change to the other party in accordance with this Clause 11, but no Change shall come into effect until a Change Control Note has been signed by authorised representatives of both parties.
- 11.2 If the Council requests a Change:
  - (1) the Council will submit a written request to the Provider containing as much information as is necessary to enable the Provider to prepare a Change Control Note; and
  - (2) within 5 Business Days of receipt of a request, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the parties, the Provider will send to the Council a Change Control Note.
- 11.3 If the Provider requests a Change, it will send to the Council a Change Control Note.
- **11.4** A Change Control Note must contain sufficient information to enable the Council to assess the Change, including as a minimum:
  - (1) the title of the Change;
  - (2) the originator of the Change and date of request;
  - (3) description of the Change;
  - (4) details of the impact of the proposed Change on:
    - (i) the Services;
    - (ii) the Fee:
    - (iii) any Council systems or operations which interface with, or are otherwise affected by, the Services; and
    - (iv) any term of this Contract (including proposed changes to wording);
  - (5) the date of expiry of validity of the Change Control Note; and
  - (6) provision for signature by the Council and Provider.
- 11.5 If, following the Council's receipt of a Change Control Note pursuant to Clause 11.2 or 11.3:
  - (1) the parties agree the terms of the relevant Change Control Note, they will sign it and that Change Control Note will amend this Contract;
  - either party does not agree to any term of the Change Control Note, then the other party may refer the disagreement to be dealt with in accordance with Clause 33.

#### 12. POWER TO TERMINATE

- **12.1** The Council may terminate the Contract in whole or in part upon issue (by the Council's authorised representative) of a written notice to the Provider in the following circumstances:
  - (1) if the Provider is in material breach of this Contract, which is irremediable; or
  - (2) if the Provider has made any material misrepresentation prior to the award of the Contract or issue of a Purchase Order; or

- (3) if the contract is terminated under Clause 22.4 (Prevention of Bribery and Corruption); or
- (4) if the Provider has committed any action which, in the reasonable opinion of the Council, has or may cause significant harm to the reputation of the Council; or
- (5) if the Provider has repeatedly breached the terms of this Contract in such a manner as to reasonably justify the opinion that the Provider's conduct is inconsistent with it having the intention or ability to give effect to this Contract; or
- (6) if the Provider is guilty of any misconduct which the Council reasonably considers to be prejudicial to the Council's interests.
- (7) if an Insolvency Event occurs
- 12.2 The Council may give the Provider written notice of its intention to terminate if it considers that a termination ground listed in regulation 73(1) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 OR section 78(2) of the Procurement Act 2023 applies. A notice of intention to terminate under this Clause must:
  - (1) set out which termination ground the Council considers applies pursuant to regulation 73(1) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 OR section 78(2) of the Procurement Act 2023 together with the Council's reasons for terminating on this basis:
  - invite the Provider to make representations to the Council about the existence of the termination ground and the Council's decision to terminate;
  - (3) specify the means by which and the time by which such representations must be made; and
  - (4) insofar as it states that the Council's intention to terminate by reference to the status of a sub-contractor under Section 78(2)(b) or (c) of the Procurement Act 2023, specify a time by which the Provider may terminate the subcontract and if necessary appoint another subcontractor.
- 12.3 On expiry of the time for the Provider to make representations under Clause 12.2(c) if, after considering any representations, the Council is satisfied that the termination ground applies, it may terminate the Contract with immediate effect by giving final written notice to the Provider.
- 12.4 The Provider shall notify the Council immediately if the Provider undergoes a change of control as defined by sections 450, 451, 707, and 1124 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 ("Change of Control"). The Council may terminate the Contract in writing with immediate effect within six months of:
  - (1) being notified that a change of control has occurred; or
  - (2) where no notification has been made, the date that the Council becomes aware of the Change of Control

but shall not be permitted to terminate where an approval was granted prior to the Change of Control.

#### 13. TERMINATION ON COUNCIL DEFAULT

13.1 If the Council fails to pay the Provider undisputed sums of money when due, the Provider shall notify the Council in writing of such failure to pay. If the Council fails to pay such undisputed sum with 30 calendar days of the date of such written notice, the Provider may terminate the Contract in writing with immediate effect, save that such right of termination shall not apply where the failure to pay is due to the Council exercising its rights under Clause 8.10.

#### **13.2** Subject to Clause 20, where:

- (1) the Provider terminates the Contract under Clause 13.1; and
- provided that the events leading to such termination were not caused or contributed to by the fault or act or omission or breach of the Provider;

the Council shall indemnify the Provider against any commitments, liabilities or expenditure which would otherwise represent an unavoidable loss by the Provider by reason of the termination of the Contract, provided that the Provider takes all reasonable steps to mitigate such loss. Where the Provider holds insurance, the Provider shall reduce its unavoidable costs by any insurance sums available. The Provider shall submit a fully itemised and costed list of such loss, with supporting evidence, of losses reasonably and actually incurred by the Provider as a result of termination under Clause 13.

- **13.3** The Council shall not be liable under Clause 13 to pay any sum which:
  - (1) was claimable under insurance held by the Provider and the Provider has failed to make a claim on its insurance or has failed to make claim in accordance with the procedural requirements of the insurance policy;
  - (2) when added to any sums paid or due to the Provider under the Contract, exceed the total sum that would have been payable to the Provider if the Contract had not been terminated prior to completion; or
  - is a claim by the Provider for loss of profit, due to the early termination of the Contract.

#### 14. SUSPENSION OR BREAK

- 14.1 The Council shall be entitled to terminate the Contract at any time and for any reason by giving to the Provider not less than 30 calendar days' notice in writing to that effect. Upon the expiry of the notice the Contract shall be terminated without prejudice to the rights of the parties accrued to the date of termination.
- 14.2 The Council shall in addition to its powers under any other of these Conditions, have the power to temporarily suspend the Contract at any time by giving to the Provider 14 calendar days' written notice. Upon the expiry of the notice the Contract shall be suspended without prejudice to the rights of the parties accrued to the date of suspension.

#### 15. CONSEQUENCES OF TERMINATION, SUSPENSION OR BREAK

- **15.1** Where the Contract is terminated under Clause 12, the following provisions shall apply:
  - (1) any sum due or accruing from the Council to the Provider may be withheld or reduced by such amount as the Council in either case considers reasonable and appropriate in the circumstances;
  - (2) the Council may make all arrangements which are in its view necessary to procure the orderly completion of the Services including the letting of another contract or contracts;
  - (3) where the total costs reasonably and properly incurred by the Council, by reason of such arrangements exceed the amount that would have been payable to the Provider for the completion of the Services, the excess shall be recoverable from the Provider and the Council reserves the right to recover such excess by set-off against any amount withheld by the Council.

- **15.2** Where the Contract is terminated under Clause 12 or Clause 14, the Council may, during any notice period:
  - (a) direct the Provider, where the Services have not been commenced, to refrain from commencing such Services or where the Services have been commenced, to cease work immediately;
  - (b) direct the Provider to complete in accordance with the Contract all or any of the Services, or any part or component thereof.
- 15.3 Where the Contract is terminated under Clause 14, the Provider shall have the right to claim from the Council reimbursement of all reasonable costs necessarily and properly incurred by it in relation to the orderly cessation of the Services, including any commitments, liabilities or expenditure which are reasonably and properly incurred, and would otherwise represent an unavoidable loss by the Provider by reason of the termination of the Contract. For the avoidance of doubt the Council will not indemnify the Provider against loss of profit. The Council shall not in any case be liable to pay under the provisions of this Clause any sum which, when taken together with any sums paid or due or becoming due to the Provider under the Contract, shall exceed the Fee.
- 15.4 Any termination of this Contract, however caused, shall not affect any rights or liabilities which have accrued prior to termination. Any provision of this Contract that expressly or by implication is intended to come into or continue in force on or after any termination of this Contract (howsoever caused) or expiry of the Contract shall remain in full force and effect.

#### 16. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

16.1 The Provider shall, subject to the confidentiality obligations of its other clients, notify the Council immediately upon becoming aware of any possible conflict of interest which may arise between the interests of the Council and any other client of the Provider and the Provider shall take all reasonable steps to remove or avoid the cause of any such conflict of interest to the satisfaction of the Council.

#### 17. DISCLOSURE AND PUBLICATION OF INFORMATION

- 17.1 The Council reserves the general right to disclose and publish information about this Contract, unless otherwise agreed in writing. In particular, the Council may publish from time to time and as required an applicable transparency notice or any other notice or information as required under the Procurement Act 2023 or other Legal Requirement.
- 17.2 The Provider shall not disclose the Contract or any provision thereof or any information resulting from, in connection with, or during the course of the Contract, to any person unless it is strictly necessary for the performance of the Contract and authorised in writing by the Council. The Provider shall comply with any instructions regarding changes to authorisations and other instructions regarding disclosure or non-disclosure. This Clause does not apply in relation to information:
  - (1) which is in or enters the public domain otherwise than by a breach of an obligation of confidentiality;
  - (2) which is or becomes known from other sources without breach of any restriction on disclosure: or
  - (3) which is required to be disclosed by law or any professional or regulatory obligation.
- **17.3** Subject to Clause 17.2, the Provider shall ensure that information about the Contract, or arising from or connected with the Contract:
  - (1) is divulged only to the minimum number of persons;

- (2) is divulged only to the extent essential to each person's action in carrying out (or in connection with) the Contract and that such persons do not further divulge such information; and
- (3) is properly safeguarded.
- 17.4 No information regarding the Services being provided under the Contract or facilities to photograph or film shall be given or permitted by the Provider except with prior written permission of the Council, to whom any press or other enquiry or any such matter should be referred. This Clause does not apply in relation to information:
  - (1) which is in or enters the public domain otherwise than by a breach of an obligation of confidentiality;
  - (2) which is or becomes known from other sources without breach of any restriction on disclosure; or
  - (3) which is required to be disclosed by law or any professional or regulatory obligation.
- 17.5 The Provider shall not, in connection with the Contract, communicate with representatives of the general or technical press, radio, television or other communications media unless specifically granted permission to do so in writing by the Council.
- 17.6 Except with the consent in writing of the Council the Provider and the Provider's personnel shall not make use of any information issued or furnished by or on behalf of the Council otherwise than for the purpose of the Contract.
- 17.7 Where applicable, the Council shall publish a Contract Performance Notice to:
  - (1) record the Provider's performance against KPI's where section 52(1) of the Procurement Act 2023 applies; and
  - record information relating to particular breaches of contract or poor performance, except where the breach results in a contract being terminated in full.

#### 18. CONFIDENTIALITY

- **18.1** Subject to Clause 18.2, each party shall keep the other party's Confidential Information secret and confidential and shall not:
  - (1) use such Confidential Information except for the purpose of exercising or performing its rights and obligations under or in connection with this Contract (the "**Permitted Purpose**"); or
  - disclose such Confidential information in whole or in part to any third party, except as expressly permitted by this Clause 18.
- **18.2** Clause 18.1 does not apply to the extent that:
  - (1) such disclosure is a requirement of any Legal Requirements placed upon the Party making the disclosure, including any requirements for disclosure under the FOIA or the EIRs pursuant to Clause 26 (Data Protection and Freedom of Information);
  - such information was in the possession of the Party making the disclosure without obligation or confidentiality prior to its disclosure by the information owner;
  - (3) such information was obtained from a third party without obligation of confidentiality;

- such information was already in the public domain at the time of disclosure otherwise than by a breach of this Contract; or
- (5) it is independently developed without access to the other party's Confidential Information.
- 18.3 A party may disclose the other party's Confidential information to those of its employees, workers, subcontractors, and agents who need to know such Confidential Information for the Permitted Purpose, provided that:
  - (1) it informs such employees, workers, subcontractors, and agents of the confidential nature of the Confidential Information before disclosure; and
  - (2) it procures that its employees, workers, subcontractors, and agents shall, in relation to any Confidential Information disclosed to them, comply with the obligations set out in this clause as if they were a party to this Contract; and
  - (3) at all times, it is liable for the failure of any employees, workers, subcontractors, and agents to comply with the obligations set out in Clause 18.1
- 18.4 A party may disclose Confidential Information to the extent such Confidential Information that is required to be disclosed by law by any governmental or other regulatory authority or by a court or other authority of competent jurisdiction.
- **18.5** The provisions of this Clause 18 shall survive for a period of 6 years from the Termination Date.

#### 19. TRANSFER OF RESPONSIBILITY

19.1 In the event that a different organisation is required to take over the Services at the expiry or termination of the Contract, the Provider shall co-operate in the transfer under arrangements to be notified to it by the Council. Any transfers shall be arranged between the Council and the Provider so as to reduce to a minimum any interruption in the Services.

#### 20. WARRANTIES AND REPRESENTATIONS

- **20.1** The Provider warrants, represents, and undertakes that:
  - (1) it has full capacity and authority and all necessary consents (including where its procedures so require, the consent of its parent company) to enter into and perform its obligations under the Contract;
  - (2) the Contract is executed by a duly authorised representative of the Provider;
  - (3) in entering the Contract it has not committed any Fraud;
  - (4) at the Contract commencement date set out in the Purchase Order, all information, statements and representations contained in the proposal remains true, accurate and not misleading, save as may have been specifically disclosed in writing to the Council prior to execution of the Contract and it will advise the Council of any fact, matter or circumstance of which it may become aware which would render any such information, statement or representation to be false or misleading;
  - (5) no claim is being asserted and no litigation, arbitration or administrative proceeding is presently in progress or, to the best of its knowledge and belief, pending or threatened against it or its assets which will or might affect its ability to perform its obligations under the Contract;

- it is not subject to any contractual obligation, compliance with which is likely to have an adverse effect on its ability to perform its obligations under the Contract;
- (7) no proceedings or other steps have been taken and not discharged (nor, to the best of its knowledge, are threatened) for the winding up of the Provider or for its dissolution or for the appointment of a receiver, administrative receiver, liquidator, manager, administrator or similar officer in relation to any of the Provider's assets or revenue:
- (8) it owns, has obtained or is able to obtain, valid licences for all Intellectual Property Rights that are necessary for the performance of its obligations under the Contract;
- (9) the Provider, its Connected Persons, and its sub-contractors are not on the Debarment List.
- (10) in the three (3) years prior to the date of the Contract:
  - it has conducted all financial accounting and reporting activities in compliance in all material respects with the generally accepted accounting principles that apply to it in any country where it files accounts;
  - (ii) it has been in full compliance with all applicable securities and tax laws and regulations in the jurisdiction in which it is established; and
  - (iii) it has not done or omitted to do anything which could have an adverse effect on its assets, financial condition or position as an ongoing business concern or its ability to fulfil its obligations under the Contract.

#### 21. INDEMNITY AND INSURANCE

- **21.1** Nothing in the Contract shall be construed to limit or exclude either party's liability for:
  - (1) death or personal injury caused by its negligence or that of its employees;
  - (2) Fraud; or
  - (3) fraudulent misrepresentation by it or that of its employees;
  - (4) any breach of any obligations implied by Section 12 of the Sale of Goods Act 1979 or Section 2 of the Supply of Goods and Services Act 1982;
  - (5) any claim under Clause 20; or
  - (6) any claim under the indemnity in Clause 9 (Intellectual Property Rights) or Clause 26.1 (Data Protection).
- 21.2 Subject to Clauses 21.3 and 21.6, the Provider shall indemnify the Council and keep indemnified the Council to a maximum of 5million from and against all claims, proceedings, actions, damages, costs, expenses and any other liabilities which may arise out of, or in consequence of, the supply, or late or purported supply, of the Services or the performance or non-performance by the Provider of its obligations under the Contract or the presence of the Provider or any Provider staff on the Premises, including in respect of any death or personal injury, loss of or damage to property, financial loss arising from any advice given or omitted to be given by the Provider, or any other loss which is caused directly or indirectly by any act or omission of the Provider.
- 21.3 The Provider shall not be responsible for any injury, loss, damage, cost or expense if and to the extent that it is caused by the negligence or wilful misconduct of the Council or by breach by the Council of its obligations under the Contract.

- 21.4 Subject to Clause 21.1, the Provider's total aggregate liability (including that of its partners and employees) to the Council in contract, tort (including negligence or breach of statutory duty), misrepresentation, restitution or otherwise, arising in connection with the performance or contemplated performance of the Services shall in no event exceed the sum of 5 million pounds sterling in the aggregate.
- 21.5 Subject to Clause 21.1, the Council's total aggregate liability to the Provider in contract, tort (including negligence or breach of statutory duty), misrepresentation, restitution or otherwise, arising in connection with the Contract shall in no event exceed the total sum of the Fee.
- **21.6** Subject to Clause 21.1, in no event shall either party be liable to the other for any:
  - (1) loss of profits;
  - (2) loss of business;
  - (3) loss of revenue;
  - (4) loss of or damage to goodwill;
  - (5) loss of savings (whether anticipated or otherwise); and/or
  - (6) indirect or consequential loss or damage.
- **21.7** The Council may, amongst other things, recover as a direct loss:
  - (1) any additional operational and/or administrative expenses arising from the Provider's Default;
  - (2) any wasted expenditure or charges rendered unnecessary and/or incurred by the Council arising from the Provider's Default; and
  - (3) the additional cost of procuring replacement services for the remainder of the Contract following early termination of the Contract as a result of a Default by the Provider.
- 21.8 Nothing in the Contract shall impose any liability on the Council in respect of any liability incurred by the Provider to any other person, but this shall not be taken to exclude or limit any liability of the Council to the Provider that may arise by virtue of either a breach of the Contract or by negligence on the part of the Council, or the Council's employees, servants or agents.
- **21.9** The parties expressly agree that the Council shall be entitled to an order for specific performance to enforce any provision hereunder.
- 21.10 The Provider shall effect and maintain for the duration of the contract and twelve (12) months at their own cost, insurance cover necessary to cover its liabilities under the Contract and, where the Provider is permitted to sub-contract any part of the Contract, it shall procure that any such sub-contractor effects and maintains insurance to cover its liabilities under the sub-contract. As a minimum the Provider must meet the following levels of cover:
  - 20.10.1 public liability insurance with a limit of indemnity of not less than 5 million in relation to any one claim or series of claims;
  - 20.10.2 employer's liability insurance with a limit of indemnity of not less than 5 million] OR in accordance with any legal requirement for the time being in force in relation to any one claim or series of claims:
  - 20.10.3 professional liability insurance with a limit of indemnity of not less than 1 million in relation to any one claim or series of claims;

- 20.10.4 product liability insurance with a limit of indemnity of not less than 1 million in relation to any one claim or series of claims;
- 20.10.5 motor vehicle insurance with a limit of indemnity of not less than 1 million] in relation to any one claim or series of claims.

(Required Insurances). The cover shall be in respect of all risks which may be incurred by the Provider, arising out of the Provider's performance of the agreement, including death or personal injury, loss of or damage to property arising from any other loss. Such policies shall include cover in respect of any financial loss arising from any advice given or omitted to be given by the Provider.

- 21.11 Where in compliance with Clause 21.10 the Provider effects, or is to procure that a sub-Provider effects, insurance, the requisite insurance shall cover liabilities under the Contract, or sub-contract as the case may be, from the commencement of the Services, or the Services under the sub-contract as the case may be, until 6 years after:
  - (1) the completion of the Services; or
  - (2) the termination of the Contract whichever is the earlier.

#### 22. PREVENTION OF BRIBERY AND CORRUPTION

#### 22.1 The Provider:

- (1) shall not, and shall procure that any member of its staff or sub-contractor shall not, in connection with this Contract commit a Prohibited Act;
- (2) warrants, represents and undertakes that it is not aware of any financial or other advantage being given to any person working for or engaged by the Council, or that an agreement has been reached to that effect, in connection with the execution of this Contract, excluding any arrangement of which full details have been disclosed in writing to the Council before execution of this Contract.
- 22.2 The Provider shall have an anti-bribery policy (which shall be disclosed to the Council) to prevent any member of its staff or sub-contractor from committing a Prohibited Act and shall enforce it where appropriate.
- **22.3** If any breach of Clause 22.1 is suspected or known, the Provider must notify the Council immediately.
- 22.4 The Council may terminate this Contract by written notice with immediate effect and recover from the Provider the amount of any loss resulting from such termination, if the Provider or any of its employees or sub-contractors (in all cases whether or not acting with the Provider's knowledge) breaches Clause 22.1.

#### 23. SUB-LETTING AND ASSIGNMENT

- 23.1 The Council may at any time assign, mortgage, charge, subcontract, delegate, declare a trust over or deal in any other manner with any or all of its rights and obligations under this Contract provided that it gives written notice of such dealings to the Provider.
- 23.2 The Provider shall not assign, transfer, mortgage, charge, subcontract, delegate, declare a trust over or deal in any other manner with any of its rights and obligations under this Contract without the prior written consent of the Council (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed). Where the Provider uses sub-contractors, the Provider remains liable for the performance of the contract in its entirety.

#### 24. NOTICES

- 24.1 All notices required by or relating to the Contract shall be in writing marked for the attention of the Contract Manager (for notices delivered or sent to the Council) or the Authorised Representative (for notices delivered or sent to the Provider) and shall be:
  - (1) delivered by hand or by pre-paid first-class post or other next Working Day delivery service at the party's registered office (if a company) or its principal place of business (in any other case); or
  - sent by email to the following addresses (or an address substituted in writing by the party to be served):

COUNCIL: Hilary Currie@durham.gov.uk

PROVIDER: andrew@newsmakerpr.co.uk

- **24.2** All notices shall be deemed to have been received:
  - (1) if delivered by hand, at the time the notice is left at the proper address; or
  - if sent by prepaid first class post or other next Working Day delivery service, at 5:00pm on the second Working Day after posting; or
  - if sent by email, four hours following the time of transmission or, if this time falls beyond 5:00pm on a Working Day, 9:00am on the next Working Day.

#### 25. NO PARTNERSHIP, JOINT VENTURE OR AGENCY

**25.1** Nothing in the Contract shall create any partnership, joint venture or relationship of principal or agent between the Council and the Provider.

#### 26. DATA PROTECTION AND FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

- 26.1 The Provider shall comply with the Data Protection Appendix attached to these Conditions, and indemnify the Council against any claims for loss or damage or otherwise brought against the Council and any cost and expenses in relation to a breach of the Data Protection Legislation (including but not limited to the Data Protection Act 2018 and the UK General Data Protection Regulations) caused as a result of the misuse by the Provider, whether negligently or otherwise, of personal information obtained under this Contract.
- **26.2** The Provider acknowledges that the Council is subject to the provisions of the FOIA and EIRs and that any information obtained by the Council in respect of this Contract may need to be disclosed to third parties under the provisions of such legislation.
- **26.3** The Provider shall at no charge:
  - (1) provide all necessary assistance and cooperation as reasonably requested by the Council to enable the Council to comply with its obligations under the FOIA and EIRs which may arise in connection with this Contract;
  - transfer to the Council all Requests for Information relating to this Contract that it receives as soon as is practicable and in any event within 2 Working Days of receipt;
  - (3) provide the Council with a copy of all Information belonging to the Council requested in the Request for Information which is in its possession or control in the form that the Council requires within 5 Working Days (or such other period as the Council may reasonably specify) of the Council's request for such Information; and

- (4) not respond directly to a Request for Information unless expressly authorised in writing to do so by the Council.
- While the Council may, if practicable and appropriate, consult with the Provider in relation to whether any information relating to the Provider or this Contract should be disclosed as part of a response to a Request for Information, the Council shall ultimately be responsible for determining in its absolute discretion whether any Information or Environmental Information will be disclosed and whether any exemptions apply.

#### 27. WAIVER

27.1 The failure by the Council to enforce at any time or for any period any one or more Conditions of this Contract shall not be a waiver of them or of the right at any time subsequently to enforce all Conditions the Contract.

#### 28. SEVERANCE

28.1 If any provision of the Contract is held invalid, illegal or unenforceable for any reason by any court of competent jurisdiction, such provision shall be severed and the remainder of the provisions of the Contract shall continue in full force and effect as if the Contract had been executed with the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision eliminated. In the event of a holding of invalidity so fundamental as to prevent the accomplishment of the purpose of the Contract, the Council and the Provider shall immediately commence negotiations in good faith to remedy the invalidity.

#### 29. THIRD PARTY RIGHTS

- 29.1 A person who is not a party to this Contract shall not have any rights under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any of the provisions of this Contract. This does not affect any right or remedy of such a person that exists or is available apart from the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999.
- 29.2 The parties to this Contract may terminate or rescind this Contract, or agree to any to any variation, waiver or settlement in connection with it, without the consent of any third party, whether or not it extinguishes or alters any entitlement that such third party may have to enforce any of the provisions of this Contract.

#### 30. COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAW

- 30.1 In performing its obligations under this Contract, the Provider and its personnel and sub-contractors shall at all times comply with all Legal Requirements. In particular, the Provider shall (and will procure that its personnel and sub-contractors shall) comply with all Legal Requirements relating to health and safety and equality law. Each party shall notify the other as soon as practicable of any breach of Clause 30.1 or of any health and safety hazards which are relevant to the Contract.
- **30.2** Employees and sub-contractors employed by the Provider who are working on the Council's Premises or otherwise alongside the Council's employees shall follow the Council's health and safety policies and any other policies which the Council may inform the Provider of.

#### 31. NOT USED

31.1 Where set out in the Contract Documents, the parties acknowledge that where the Provider is a Regulated Activity Provider with ultimate responsibility for the management and control of the Regulated Activity provided under this Contract and for the purposes of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 ("the Act") the Provider shall:

- (1) Ensure that all individuals engaged in Regulated Activity are subject to a valid enhanced disclosure check for regulated activity undertaken through the Disclosure and Barring Service;
- (2) Monitor the level and validity of the checks under this Clause 31 for each of the relevant Provider personnel;
- (3) Not employ or use the services of any person who is barred from, or whose previous conduct or records indicate that he or she would not be suitable to carry out Regulated Activity or may otherwise present a risk to service users, children or vulnerable adults; and
- (4) To the extent permitted by Law, ensure a copy of the results of the above checks are notified to the Council.
- 31.2 For the avoidance of doubt, where in the Council's opinion any individual who is employed or engaged by the Provider may have the opportunity to have regular contact with children and/or vulnerable adults when carrying out the Services in specified places or the Services are carried out frequently by the same individual so as to amount to "Regulated Activity" the Provider shall:
  - (1) Ensure that individual shall be subject to a valid enhanced disclosure check undertaken through the Disclosure and Barring Service for the purposes of the Act;
  - (2) Monitor the level and validity of the checks under this Clause 31.2 for each of the relevant Provider personnel; and
  - (3) Not employ or use the services of any individual who is barred from, or whose previous conduct or records indicate that he or she would not be suitable to carry out the Services or who may otherwise present a risk to the service users, children or vulnerable adults.
- 31.3 The Provider warrants that at all times for the purposes of this Contract it has no reason to believe that any person who is or will be employed or engaged by the Provider in the provision of the Services is barred from the activity in accordance with the provisions of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 and any regulations made thereunder, as amended from time to time.
- 31.4 The Provider shall immediately notify the Council of any information that it reasonably requests to enable it to be satisfied that the obligations under this Clause 31 have been met.
- 31.5 The Provider shall refer information about any person carrying out the Services to the DBS where it removes permission for such person to carry out the Services (or would have, if such person had not otherwise ceased to carry out the Services) because, in its opinion, such person has harmed or poses a risk of harm to any service users, children or vulnerable adults.
- 31.6 Where in the Council's opinion any person who is employed or engaged by the Provider may work in specified places where they may have the opportunity to have non-regular contact with children and/or vulnerable adults when carrying out the Services that person shall be subject to a valid standard disclosure check undertaken through the Disclosure and Barring Service and not employ, engage or use for the provision of the Services any person whose previous conduct or records indicate that he or she may in the Council's opinion present a risk to children or vulnerable adults.
- 31.7 The Provider shall have policies and procedures which acknowledge and provide for ongoing monitoring of employees including undertaking further DBS disclosures every three years.
- 31.8 All costs incurred in satisfying this Clause 31 shall be met by the Provider.]

#### 32. LAW AND CHANGE IN LAW

- **32.1** The Contract shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with English Law and shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the Courts of England and Wales.
- 32.2 In performing its obligations under this Contract, the Provider shall at all times comply with all Legal Requirements. The Provider shall maintain such records as are necessary pursuant to the Legal Requirements and shall promptly on request make them available for inspection by any relevant authority that is entitled to inspect them and by the Council or any of its authorised representatives.
- 32.3 The Provider shall monitor and shall keep the Council informed in writing of any Changes in Law and shall provide the Council with timely details of measures it proposes to take and changes it proposes to make to comply with any such changes. The Provider shall only implement such changes in accordance with Clause 11.
- 32.4 The Provider shall neither be relieved of its obligations to supply the Services in accordance with the terms of this Contract nor be entitled to an increase in the Fee as the result of a Change in Law or a General Change in Law.

#### 33. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- 33.1 If a dispute arises out of or in connection with this Contract or the performance, validity or enforceability of it (**Dispute**) then, except as expressly provided in this Contract, the parties shall follow the procedure set out in this clause:
  - (1) Either party shall give to the other written notice of the Dispute, setting out its nature and full particulars (**Dispute Notice**), together with relevant supporting documents. On service of the Dispute Notice, the Authorised Representative and the Contract Manager shall attempt in good faith to resolve the Dispute;
  - (2) If the Authorised Representative and the Contract Manager are for any reason unable to resolve the Dispute within thirty (30) days of service of the Dispute Notice, the Dispute shall be referred to the senior representative of both parties; and
  - (3) If the senior representatives are for any reason unable to resolve the Dispute within thirty (30) days of it being referred to them, the parties will attempt to settle it by mediation in accordance with the CEDR Model Mediation Procedure. Unless otherwise agreed between the parties, the mediator shall be nominated by CEDR. To initiate the mediation, a party must serve notice in writing (ADR notice) to the other party to the Dispute, requesting a mediation. A copy of the ADR notice should be sent to CEDR. The medication will start not later than fourteen (14) days after the date of the ADR notice.
- 33.2 The commencement of mediation shall not prevent the parties commencing or continuing court proceedings in relation to the Dispute.

#### SCHEDULE 1 - SERVICE SPECIFICATION

#### FBM Writing, Production, Directing Specification

FBM requires video content to be used across the annual competition. This specification relates to the Writing, Producing and Directing the material required

#### The supplier is required to

- Write the scripts for all the video content including but not limited to, Launch Event and Awards Ceremony
- Minimum of 3 days to visit schools to gather content
- Produce content for a minimum of 2 business partner guidance videos, including interviewing business partners, stakeholders.
- Produce draft quotes to be used in the content creation and in press releases
- Work in collaboration with other organisations such as online content providers to produce content in line with FBM activities.
- Attend up to 7 FBM events at venues across County Durham, depending upon content needed, including Launch event, Ideas Generation workshop, Finance and Law workshop, Marketing workshop, Showcase workshop, the final Presentations and the Awards Ceremony.
- Be first point of contact for commission, discussions or feedback
- Attend meetings, in person or video/phone, as and when required
- Prior to filming, draft a storyboard and liaise with contributors as necessary
- Manage the filming schedule, ensuring crew and contributors are available
- Share completed videos via a mutually accessible secure platform.

#### Business Durham will

- Provide details of schools, business partners and stakeholders for interview
- Provide details of the annual theme, updates to workshop content relevant to the video story that needs to be portrayed
- Arrange suitable venues for all workshops
- Arrange for technical services, filming, editing and post production services to be provided.



# **Durham County Council Supplier Due Diligence**

**Contract for: FBM Writing, Production, Directing** 

#### Supplier Information: Completing your Response

This due diligence questionnaire has been designed to ensure that suppliers share the right information to be awarded a public sector contract. The questionnaire consists of a number of parts that must be completed:

- 1. Supplier Information
- 2. Exclusions
- 3. Legal Compliance
- 4. Specific Contract Requirements
- 5. Pricing

**Part 1 - confirmation of Core Supplier Information**: suppliers are now be expected to register on a Central Digital Platform (CDP). Suppliers should have submitted their Core Supplier Information which they can share with the Council.

To do this you must generate a share code, doing this will present a ZIP file to download. This download will include all of the confirmation documents that you have included in your CDP records for your organisation. You must upload your exported zipped file with this ITB submission.

The CDP is free to use and will mean as a supplier you should no longer have to re-enter this information for each public contract or procurement – you must simply ensure it is up to date and subsequently shared. The CDP is available at <a href="https://www.gov.uk/find-tender">https://www.gov.uk/find-tender</a>. Part 1 of the document requests that you provide confirmation that you have taken these steps.

Part 2 - additional exclusions information: procurement legislation provides for an 'exclusion regime' and a published Debarment List to safeguard procurement and the issue of public contracts to suppliers who may pose a risk (for example, due to misconduct or poor performance). Suppliers must submit their own (and their connected person) exclusions information via the CDP. This includes self-declarations as to whether any Exclusion grounds apply to them and, if so, details about the event or conviction and what steps have been taken to prevent such circumstances from occurring again.

As a supplier you will need to also share additional Exclusion information for any suppliers that you are relying on to meet the requirement of this public contract. These could either be consortium members or key sub-contractors, who are your Associated Persons (but this excludes any guarantors). Your 'Associated Persons' and their Exclusions information must be shared with the us. We recommend this is done by ensuring that your Associated Persons register is up to date and that you also submit and share this information as per above (your information as the prime/main supplier).

In addition to the sub-contractors who are being relied on to meet the public contract requirements (who are Associated Persons), suppliers will need to share an exhaustive list of all their Intended Sub-contractors, which will be checked against the Debarment List.

If a sub-contractor is unknown at the time of the return of this supplier questionnaire, this should be made clear by you, and once the relevant details of the sub-contractor are known then this should be provided as soon as possible so that the Exclusion and compliance checks are completed.

#### Part 3 – Legal Compliance:

We require that as a supplier you must satisfy certain legal, financial and technical ability, in order to be awarded a public contract. Some information is requested for 'information only' purposes. Other information is assessed on a Pass / Fail basis. Where this is the case, the question will clearly state the evaluation methodology.

Suppliers should note that as a Contracting Authority, the Council has a legislative duty to publish certain information which relate to the supplier in their contract award notices. This information includes, but is not limited to:

- details of the winning supplier's Associated Persons
- details of the winning supplier's Connected Person information

Where a supplier is unsure or requires any clarification, they should check with the contracting authority. Each of the below questions are included in this supplier response document

- Financial Capacity Pass / Fail Question
- Insurance, including for subcontractors Pass / Fail Question
- Health & Safety Pass / Fail Question
- Equality and Diversity, including for subcontractors Pass / Fail Question

#### Part 4 Contract Specific Requirements

This section contains additional questions, specific to the proposed contract, which you must answer. If you are bidding on behalf of a group (consortium) or you intend to use sub-contractors, you should complete all of the selection questions on behalf of the consortium and/or any sub-contractors.

These questions are often used where the Council requires evidence that the supplier meets a specific requirement – such as having a particular licence or form of certification in place or complying with health and safety standards. Unlike scored technical questions, or questions for information only, the contract specific essential criteria questions are considered so crucial to the requirement, that if a supplier cannot meet them, it would not be possible for that supplier to be awarded the contract.

- Contract specific question Pass / Fail Question

Please answer the following questions in full.

Note: Every organisation that is being relied on to meet the selection must complete the relevant information in full.

### **PART 1** Preliminary & Core supplier information

Question number	Question: Preliminary	Response
1.1	What is your name (supplier name)	Newsmaker PR and Video Production Ltd
1.2	You must be registered on the Central Digital Platform (CDP) What is your Central Digital Platform Unique Identifier?	k7GNH8Qf
1.3	Please confirm if you are bidding as a single supplier (with or without sub-contractors) or as part of a group or consortium.	Single supplier
	If you are bidding as part of a group or consortium (including where you intend to establish a legal entity to deliver the contract), please provide:	
	<ul> <li>a. the name of the group/consortium</li> <li>b. the proposed structure of the group/consortium, including the legal structure where applicable</li> <li>c. the name of the lead member in the group/consortium</li> </ul>	
	your role in the group/consortium (e.g. lead member, consortium member, sub-contractor)	
1.4	[Where applicable] Please confirm which lot(s) you wish to bid for?	FBM Writing, Production, Directing
1.5	Are you on the Debarment List?	Yes □ No ⊠ [If yes, insert details]
1.6	You are a relevant commercial organisation subject to Section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 if you carry on your business, or part of your business in the UK, supplying goods or services and you have an annual turnover of at least £36 million.	Not applicable
	If you are a relevant commercial organisation, please:  • confirm that you have published a statement as required by Section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act.	Yes □ No □
	<ul> <li>confirm that the statement complies with the requirements of Section 54.</li> </ul>	Yes □ No □

Question number	Question: Confirmation of Core Supplier Information	Response
1.7	You must submit up-to-date Core Supplier Information on the CDP and share this information with us (PDF download).  This includes:  a. basic information b. economic and financial standing information c. Connected Person information (these are persons with the right to exercise, or who actually exercise, significant influence or control over the supplier, or over whom the supplier has the right to exercise, or actually exercises, significant influence or control over, for example: directors, majority shareholders and parent and subsidiary companies) d. Exclusion grounds information  Please confirm you have shared this information with us via a PDF download.	[Insert reference / file name of PDFF document]

Question number	Question: Conflict of Interest	Response
1.8	Do you consider there to be any conflict of interest or bias, potential conflict of interest or bias, or potential for the perception of a conflict of interest or bias arising in the delivery of the contract?	Yes □ No ⊠
1.9	If you have stated 'Yes' please provide full details of the conflict of interest or bias or potential conflict of interest or bias	[Insert details]

# PART 2 Exclusion Information

Question number	Question: Associated Persons	Response
2A.1	Are you relying on any Associated Persons to satisfy the Conditions of Participation? (these are other suppliers who might be subcontractors or consortium members but not a guarantor).  [The Conditions of Participation are outlined in Part 21]	Yes  No
	in Part 3] If so, please complete 2A.2, 2A.3 & 2A.4 (otherwise 2A.2, 2A.3 & 2A.4 are not applicable).	
2A.2	For each supplier/Associated Person, please confirm which Condition(s) of Participation you are relying on them to satisfy.	[Insert name of supplier and brief description]
2A.3	For each Associated Person, you must confirm they are registered on the CDP and have shared with us their information (via PDF download):  a. basic information b. economic and financial standing information (if they are being relied upon to meet Conditions of Participation regarding financial capacity) c. Connected Person information d. Exclusion grounds information [Insert name of supplier and PDF reference / file name]	[Insert name of supplier and PDF reference / file name]
2A.4	Are any of your Associated Persons on the Debarment List?	Yes □ No ☒ If yes, insert details

Part 2B – Li	Part 2B – List All Intended Subcontractors			
2B.1	Please provide:  a. a list of all suppliers who you intend to sub-contract the performance of all or part of the contract to (either directly or in your wider supply chain)	Not applicable		
	b. their Unique Identifier (if they are registered on the CDP), or otherwise, a Companies House number charity number, VAT registration number, or equivalent			
	c. a brief description of their intended role in the performance of the contract.			
	If you are not intending to sub-contract the performance of all or part of the contract, then this <b>question 2B.2</b> are not applicable. If a sub-contractor is unknown at the start of the procurement (or brought in during it), this should be made clear by the supplier and relevant details of the sub-contractor should be provided once their identity and role is confirmed. This information should be shared with the contracting authority as soon as possible and at least by final tenders.			
2B.2	Please confirm if any Intended Subcontractor is on the Debarment List.  The Debarment List can be found here: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/6/7c19349750837d7604dbcd6/Debarment List revised.pdf  Debarment List Template Word.docx	Yes □ No ⊠  [If yes, insert sub-contractor(s) name and provide details]		
2B.3	Please confirm whether any Intended Sub- contractor is subject to a Mandatory Exclusion Ground or Discretionary Exclusion Ground – refer to the below links for a list of the Exclusion grounds.  PA23 Schedule 6 Link PA23 Schedule 7 Link	Not applicable		

2B.4	If you have identified any Exclusions grounds for any Intended Sub-contractor please provide further details, including:  • date of conviction and the jurisdiction,  • which of the grounds listed the conviction was for,  • the reasons for conviction,  • the identity of who has been convicted.  If the relevant documentation is available electronically, please provide:  • the web address,  • issuing authority,  • precise reference of the documents.	Not applicable
2B.5	If you have identified Exclusion grounds for any Intended Sub-contractor, please explain what measures have been taken to address the exclusion i.e. Organisational re-structure, revised corporate policies etc (Self-cleaning).	Not applicable

**Important note:** The Council may, at its discretion and in consideration of any additional information provided or mitigating circumstances, may disregard any of the above, if it is satisfied that there are overriding requirements in the general interest that justify doing so – see the note on "Self-Cleaning" below.

# <u>ADDITIONAL NOTE 1 – CONFLICTS OF INTEREST</u>

In accordance with the relevant question above, the Council may exclude the organisation if there is a conflict of interest which cannot be effectively remedied. The concept of a conflict of interest includes any situation where relevant staff members have, directly or indirectly, a financial, economic or other personal interest which might be perceived to compromise their impartiality and independence in the context of the procurement procedure. Where there is any indication that a conflict of interest exists or may arise then it is the responsibility of the organisation to inform the Council.

## ADDITONAL NOTE 2 - SELF-CLEANING

An Organisation that answers "yes" to any of the questions above should provide sufficient evidence that provides a summary of the circumstances and any remedial action that has taken place subsequently, which may effectively "self-clean" the situation referred to. The organisation must demonstrate that it has taken such remedial action, to the satisfaction of the Council in each case.

If such evidence is considered by the Council (whose decision will be final) as sufficient, the organisation concerned shall be allowed to continue in the procurement process.

In order for the evidence referred to above to be sufficient, the organisation shall, as a minimum, prove that it has:

- paid or undertaken to pay compensation in respect of any damage caused by the criminal offence or misconduct.
- clarified the facts and circumstances in a comprehensive manner by actively collaborating with the investigating authorities; and
- taken concrete technical, organisational and personnel measures that are appropriate to prevent further criminal offences or misconduct.

The measures taken by the suppler shall be considered by the Council taking into account the gravity and particular circumstances of the criminal offence or misconduct. Where the measures are considered by the Council to be insufficient, the supplier shall be given a statement of reasons for that decision.

Question number	Questions: Legal Compliance	Response		
	Please confirm whether you already have, or can commit to			
3.1	obtain, prior to the award of the contract, the levels of	Yes 🗵		
	insurance cover indicated below:	No 🗆		
	Employer's (Compulsory*) Liability Insurance = <b>£5million</b>			
	Public Liability Insurance = <b>£10million</b>	[Insert details of your insurances already in		
	Professional Indemnity Insurance = £10million	place]		
	Motor Vehicle Insurance – comprehensive with business cover	[Insert details of your		
	Contractors All Risk Insurance (Contract Works Insurance) = not applicable	insurances which would be obtained following contract award (including information		
	*There is a legal requirement for certain employers to hold Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance of £5 million as a minimum. See the Health and Safety Executive website for more information: <a href="https://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/hse39.pdf">www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/hse39.pdf</a> .	on how you will obtain this insurance – e.g. a quote)]		
PASS	The submitting organisation confirms that it has or, if successful, will buy the specified minimum levels of insurance.			
FAIL	Failure by the submitting organisation to confirm that it has or, if successful, will buy the specified minimum levels of insurance.			
	NOTE: Consortia, partnerships and joint ventures  Consortia must confirm that the consortium collectively has the required levels of insurance, except for employer's			
liability – each consortium member that employs staff must have an individual policy at the required level for this.				

Question Number	Subcontractor Insurance	Response	
3.2	If you use sub-contractors, do you have processes in place to check that all other sub-contracting organisations hold the required insurance levels as detailed above? Please note that within our Terms and Conditions it is a contractual requirement to ensure that sub-contractors obtain the same level of insurance cover.	Yes □ No □ Do not use Subcontractors ⊠	
PASS	The submitting organisation confirms that they have processes in place to check that all other sub-contracting organisations hold the required insurance levels as detailed above.		
FAIL	Failure by the submitting organisation to confirm that they have processes in place to check that all other sub-contracting organisations hold the required insurance levels as detailed above.		
3.3	That evidence of the Sub-contractors required insurances will be supplied to the Council on request where it is deemed necessary by the Council in accordance with current legislation.	Yes □ No □ Do not use Subcontractors ⊠	
PASS	The submitting organisation confirms evidence of the sub-contractors required insurances will be supplied to the Council on request.		
FAIL	Failure by the submitting organisation to confirm evidence of the sub-contractors required insurances will be supplied to the Council on request.		

	Question number	Question: Health and Safety	Response
The following applies to organisations that are submitting for work to be undertaken in the UK. The submitting			
	organisation m	ust:	
	• Ensure that its entire workforce and subcontractors will comply with all relevant health and safety legislation as		

- Ensure that its entire workforce and subcontractors will comply with all relevant health and safety legislation as well as any requirements or instructions from the Council.
- Have appointed a competent person with overall responsibility for health and safety that is duly authorised in the organisation.
- Have processes in place for the identification of training needs and delivery of training to its workforce appropriate to the work for which it is submitting.
- Have processes in place for the development of risk assessments and method statements relevant to the nature of the work for which it is submitting that will identify, manage and mitigate associated risks and hazards.
- (If it is an organisation with five or more employees) have in place a written health and safety policy as required by Section 2(3) of the Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974 and issue any codes of safe working practices to your workforce. This policy must provide details of the competent person or persons that have been appointed on behalf of the organisation to undertake the measures needed to comply with the requirements and prohibitions of the Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999.

Specific guidance on how to write a policy and risk assessment is available at <a href="http://www.hse.gov.uk/simple-health-safety/write.htm">http://www.hse.gov.uk/simple-health-safety/write.htm</a>.

3.4 Please self-certify that you understand and will follow throughout the duration of the contract, your obligations	′es ⊠
regarding health and safety in regard to the delivery of this contract [including those set out immediately above].  The Council may verify your compliance with the above requirements at any stage of the procurement process or during the life of the contract, by means of policy checking, validation of accreditations, site audits or any other method it deems appropriate.  For further information on employers' health and safety obligations, please visit the Health and Safety Executive website at: <a href="http://www.hse.gov.uk/simple-health-safety/index.htm">http://www.hse.gov.uk/simple-health-safety/index.htm</a> .	No 🗆

# NOTE: Consortia, partnerships and joint ventures

The lead member must ensure that the information in this section regarding Health & Safety is effectively communicated to all members. The lead consortium member must provide assurance that all consortium members understand and have the ability to fulfil all health and safety requirements relating to the work being undertaken.

PASS	Confirms understanding and obligations with H&S legislation and compliance with requirements.	
FAIL	Failure to confirm understanding and obligations with H&S legislation and compliance with requirements.	

Question	Question: Equality and Diversity	Response
Number		

3.5 Does the relating to the	submitting organisation comply with its legal obligation following?	ons un	der the Equa	lity Act 2010,
Age			Yes⊠	No□
Disability			Yes⊠	No□
Gender reass	ignment		Yes⊠	No□
Marriage and	l civil partnership		Yes⊠	No□
Pregnancy ar	nd maternity		Yes⊠	No□
Race			Yes⊠	No□
Religion or b	elief		Yes⊠	No□
Sex			Yes⊠	No□
Sexual orient	ation		Yes⊠	No□
Protection of	workers from sexual harassment		Yes□	No□
	e responsibility of the submitting organisation to keep up to at understanding.	date wi	th relevant leg	gislation and ensure
Question Number	Employment Tribunal	Respo	onse	
3.6	In the <u>last three years</u> has any finding of unlawful discrimination been made against the submitting	Yes		
	organisation by any court or industrial or employment tribunal?	No	$\boxtimes$	
Question Number	Unlawful Discrimination at Statutory Investigation	Resp	onse	
3.7	In the <u>last three years</u> has any finding of unlawful discrimination been made against the submitting	Yes		
	organisation as a result of a formal investigation by the Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC) or any relevant statutory European Body?	No		
Question Number	Taking Remedial Action	Resp	onse	
3.8	ONLY complete this section if you answered "YES" to either of the above 2 questions.  If the submitting organisation was required to take action, did the action taken satisfy the relevant organisation?	Yes No		
3.9	Outline what action the submitting organisation was required to take:			

3.10	Outline what action the submitting organisation actually took. If the required action was not taken, explain why not:		
PASS	The submitting organisation confirms that it complies with all of its legal obligations as outlined. AND,  No evidence of findings of unlawful discrimination by any court or industrial or employment tribunal or formal investigation; OR evidence of findings of unlawful discrimination by a court, tribunal, or formal investigation but evidence is provided of adequate steps taken as a consequence.		
FAIL	Failure to confirm that the submitting organisation complies with any of its legal obligations as outlined. OR, Evidence of findings of unlawful discrimination by any court or industrial or employment tribunal or formal investigation and no evidence of adequate steps (or evidence of inadequate steps) taken as a consequence of any findings.		
Question Number	Sub-Contractors	Response	
3.11	If you use sub-contractors, do you have processes in place to check whether any of the above circumstances apply to these other organisations?	Yes □ No □  Do not use Subcontractors ⊠	
PASS	Confirms that processes are in place to check that subcontractors comply with its legal obligations under the Equality Act 2010		
FAIL	Failure to confirm that processes are in place to check that subcontractors comply with its legal obligations under the Equality Act 2010		

Question number	Question: Environmental Legislation Compliance	Response
3.12	In the <u>last three years</u> , has your organisation been convicted of breaching environmental legislation, or had any formal notice served upon it, by any environmental regulator or authority (including local authority), either in the UK or any other EU member state?	Yes □ No ⊠
	If "YES" please give details of the conviction or notice, including any action taken to resolve the situation:	

# 4. Contract Specific Criteria Not Used

# Part 5: Pricing & Early Payment Discount Scheme

# **Supplier Early Payment Discount Scheme**

The Early Payment Discount Programme ("the programme") enables suppliers to be paid ahead of standard 30-day payment terms in exchange for a small discount, which is typically lower than other financing options available.

The Council is able to offer the programme by utilising its cash balances and low borrowing costs.

The programme will benefit Bidders through:		
Improved Cash Flow - through payment ahead of standard terms		
<b>Process Efficiency</b> - through prioritised invoice processing and access to a dedicated contact mailbox		
Reduced Credit Control Costs - by reducing the time taken chasing payments		
Pre-approved – no impact on credit score or lengthy forms to complete		
<b>Support the Supply Chain</b> – ability to replicate cash flow benefits throughout your supply chain		

Savings generated through the programme will support the protection of critical services. The programme is voluntary for all suppliers. You are required to complete the programme declaration of intent within this document even if you do not wish to participate in the early payment scheme.

# **How the Supplier Incentive Programme works**

Invoices are paid ahead of contractual payment terms in exchange for a small discount. The discount is calculated based on the rate offered within your proposal to the Council, adjusted in proportion to how early the payment is made (between day 1 and 30).

The Council's target is to pay the programme bidders on the 10th day after receiving a valid invoice, i.e. 20 days in advance of the standard 30-day term.

- For example, if you choose a 1% deduction for payment on day 10 but receive payment on day 20 following receipt of a valid invoice, then a 0.5% deduction would be made.
- If payment is made on day 30, then no deduction would be made.

See below for an illustration of the discount percentages that may be retained. Should you elect to participate in the programme, you will be required to sign the Supplier Participation Agreement (SPA), which will apply to this contract, and to all potential future contracts awarded between the bidder and Council, unless otherwise agreed.

# **Daily Discount Schedule**

Number of days elapsed	Discount	% deduct	ed from t	he invoic	ed amou	nt	
between the Invoice							
Received Date and the	Please no	te that th	e actual S	Supplier P	articipati	on Agreem	ent issued
Invoice Payment Date					•	esponds to	
, , ,	Day disco						<b>.</b>
0 (Date of Valid Invoice Receipt)	0.75%	1.50%	1.88%	2.25%	3.00%	3.75%	4.50%
1	0.73%	1.45%	1.81%	2.18%	2.90%	3.63%	4.35%
2	0.70%	1.40%	1.75%	2.10%	2.80%	3.50%	4.20%
3	0.68%	1.35%	1.69%	2.03%	2.70%	3.38%	4.05%
4	0.65%	1.30%	1.63%	1.95%	2.60%	3.25%	3.90%
5	0.63%	1.25%	1.56%	1.88%	2.50%	3.13%	3.75%
6	0.60%	1.20%	1.50%	1.80%	2.40%	3.00%	3.60%
7	0.58%	1.15%	1.44%	1.73%	2.30%	2.88%	3.45%
8	0.55%	1.10%	1.38%	1.65%	2.20%	2.75%	3.30%
9	0.53%	1.05%	1.31%	1.58%	2.10%	2.63%	3.15%
10 (Target Day)	0.50%	1.00%	1.25%	1.50%	2.00%	2.50%	3.00%
11	0.48%	0.95%	1.19%	1.43%	1.90%	2.38%	2.85%
12	0.45%	0.90%	1.13%	1.35%	1.80%	2.25%	2.70%
13	0.43%	0.85%	1.06%	1.28%	1.70%	2.13%	2.55%
14	0.40%	0.80%	1.00%	1.20%	1.60%	2.00%	2.40%
15	0.38%	0.75%	0.94%	1.13%	1.50%	1.88%	2.25%
16	0.35%	0.70%	0.88%	1.05%	1.40%	1.75%	2.10%
17	0.33%	0.65%	0.81%	0.98%	1.30%	1.63%	1.95%
18	0.30%	0.60%	0.75%	0.90%	1.20%	1.50%	1.80%
19	0.28%	0.55%	0.69%	0.83%	1.10%	1.38%	1.65%
20	0.25%	0.50%	0.63%	0.75%	1.00%	1.25%	1.50%
21	0.23%	0.45%	0.56%	0.68%	0.90%	1.13%	1.35%
22	0.20%	0.40%	0.50%	0.60%	0.80%	1.00%	1.20%
23	0.18%	0.35%	0.44%	0.53%	0.70%	0.88%	1.05%
24	0.15%	0.30%	0.38%	0.45%	0.60%	0.75%	0.90%
25	0.13%	0.25%	0.31%	0.38%	0.50%	0.63%	0.75%
26	0.10%	0.20%	0.25%	0.30%	0.40%	0.50%	0.60%
27	0.08%	0.15%	0.19%	0.23%	0.30%	0.38%	0.45%
28	0.05%	0.10%	0.13%	0.15%	0.20%	0.25%	0.30%
29	0.03%	0.05%	0.06%	0.08%	0.10%	0.13%	0.15%
30 (Standard Term Day)	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

The **Invoice Received Date** is the date a valid invoice is received by the Council.

The **Invoice Payment date** is the date the payment leaves the Council's bank account and not the date on which it arrives in the supplier's bank account.

Enter your Gross total price (see price evaluation section for further details)		
£		
Enter your Early Dayment Discount Offer (enter 0% if declining to participate)		
Enter your Early Payment Discount Offer (enter 0% if declining to participate)		
0%		
Enter your offered net total price here (less Early Payment Discount % Offered):		
£		

## **DECLARATION**

In this declaration, the word "person" includes any persons and any body or association, corporate or unincorporated; and "any agreement or arrangement" includes any such transaction, formal or informal and whether legally binding or not.

I declare that to the best of my knowledge the information contained in this document are correct and accurate.

I declare that, upon request and without delay I will provide the certificates or documentary evidence referred to in this document.

I understand that the authority may terminate this contract in its entirety if there is a failure to answer all the relevant questions fully, or if false/misleading information or content is provided in any section.

I am aware of the consequences of serious misrepresentation.

Contact details and declaration		
Question	Response	
Contact name	Andrew Lambert	
Name of organisation	Newsmaker PR and Video Production Ltd	
Role in organisation	Director	
Phone number	07515 350110	
E-mail address	andrew@newsmakerpr.co.uk	
Postal address	2 Halkirk Way, Cramlington, Northumberland NE23 3FZ	
Signature (electronic is acceptable)		
Date	8 August 2025	

Any subsequent contract will be issued electronically, therefore please confirm your designated signatory or signatories with authority to sign the agreement.

Name	Andrew Lambert
Email address	andrew@newsmakerpr.co.uk

Name	
Email address	

Please confirm who will be the Contract Manager:

	Name	Andrew Lambert	
Email address		andrew@newsmakerpr.co.uk	
	Telephone number	07515 350110	

# **SCHEDULE 3 – PRICING SCHEDULE**

# Costs per year

Writing, production and research £8,000

Contingency - £1,000

## SCHEDULE 4 - DATA PROTECTION

**Caldicott Guardian** where relevant the senior officer responsible for safeguarding

the confidentiality of service users' information.

**Communication** means a complaint, request or other communication (but

excluding any Data Subject Request) relating to either party's obligations under any Data Protection Laws in connection with this Contract and/or the processing of any of the Shared Personal Data, including any compensation claim from a Data

Subject or any notice, investigation or other action from a Data Protection Supervisory Authority relating to the foregoing (and Communicator means the Data Protection Supervisory Authority, Data Subject or other person initiating or

conducting a Communication).

**Controller** as defined in the Data Protection Legislation

**Data Protection Legislation** all applicable data protection and privacy legislation in force

from time to time in the UK including the UK GDPR; the Data Protection Act 2018 (**DPA 2018**) (and regulations made thereunder) and the Privacy and Electronic Communications Regulations 2003 (SI 2003/2426) as amended and the guidance and codes of practice issued by the Information Commissioner or other relevant regulatory authority and applicable to a

party.

**Data Protection** means any regulator, authority or body responsible for

**Supervisory Authority** administering Data Protection Laws.

**Data Subject** as defined in the Data Protection Legislation.

**Data Subject Request** a request made by, or on behalf of, a Data Subject in

accordance with rights granted pursuant to the Data Protection

Legislation to access their Personal Data.

**Permitted Lawful Basis** means the UK GDPR.

**Permitted Purpose** means for training purposes.

**Personal Data** as defined in the Data Protection Legislation

**Personal Data Breach** has the meaning given in the Data Protection Legislation.

**Processor** as defined in the Data Protection Legislation

**Protected Data** Personal Data received from or on behalf of the Council, or

otherwise obtained, created, generated or complied in connection with the performance obligations under this

Contract.

**Shared Personal Data** means Personal Data received by the Receiving Party from or

on behalf of the Disclosing Party, or otherwise made available

by the Disclosing Party.

#### 1. DATA PROTECTION

**1.1** Both parties will comply with all applicable requirements of the Data Protection Legislation. This Schedule 1 is in addition to, and does not relieve, remove or replace, a party's obligations or rights under the Data Protection Legislation.

## **1.2** The Provider must:

- (1) nominate an Information Governance Lead, to be responsible for information governance;
- (2) where relevant, nominate a Caldicott Guardian; and
- (3) ensure that the Council is kept informed at all times of the identifies of the Information Governance Lead and, where relevant, the Caldicott Guardian.
- 1.3 The Parties acknowledge that:
  - (1) in relation to Personal Data collected and processed by the Provider for the purpose of delivering the Services, the Provider will be the sole Controller;
  - (2) in relation to Personal Data provided by the Council to the Provider for the purpose of delivering the Services, the Council will be the sole Controller and the Provider will be the Processor; and
  - (3) where Personal Data required by the Council for the purposes of quality assurance, performance management and contract management, the Council and the Provider will be joint Controllers.

#### PARAGRAPHS 1.4 - 1.6.4 APPLY WHERE THE PROVIDER IS THE CONTROLLER

- The Provider must ensure that all Personal Data processed by the Provider in the course of delivering the Services is processed in accordance with the relevant Parties' joint obligations under the DPA 2018.
- 1.5 The Provider's obligations in relation to Personal Data processed by the Provider in the course of delivering the Services include:

- (1) maintaining and operating policies relating to confidentiality, data protection and information disclosures that comply with Data Protection Legislation and where relevant the Caldicott Principles;
- (2) maintaining and operating policies that describe the personal responsibilities of the Provider's personnel for handling Personal Data and applying those policies conscientiously;
- (3) maintaining and operating agreed protocols to govern the disclosure of Personal Data.
- 1.6 The Provider must have in place a communications strategy and implementation plan to ensure that Service Users are provided with, or have made readily available to them, the following information:
  - (1) the identity of the Controller,
  - (2) if it has nominated a representative for the purposes of the Data Protection Legislation, the identity of that representative,
  - (3) the purpose or purposes for which the Personal Data are intended to be processed, and
  - (4) any further information which is necessary, having regard to the specific circumstances in which the Personal Data are or are to be processed, to enable processing in respect of the Service User to be fair.

# [PARAGRAPHS 1.7 – 1.19 APPLY WHERE THE COUNCIL IS THE CONTROLLER AND THE PROVIDER IS THE PROCESSOR]

#### Compliance with Data Protection Legislation

- 1.7 The parties agree that the Council is a Controller and that the Provider is a Processor for the purposes of processing Protected Data pursuant to the Contract. The Provider shall, and shall ensure that its Sub-Processors and each of the Provider's personnel shall at all times comply with all Data Protection Legislation in connection with the processing of Protected Data and the provision of the Services and shall not by any act or omission cause the Council to be in breach of any of the Data Protection Legislation. Nothing in the Contract relieves the Provider of any responsibilities or liabilities under Data Protection Legislation.
- 1.8 The Provider shall indemnify and keep indemnified the Council against:
  - (1) all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, fines, interest, penalties, costs, charges, sanctions, expenses, compensation paid to Data Subjects, demands and legal and other professional costs arising out of or in connection with any breach by the Provider of its obligations under this Schedule: and
  - (2) all amounts paid or payable by the Council to a third party which would not have been paid or payable if the Provider's breach of this Schedule had not occurred.

## Instructions

1.9 The Provider shall only process (and shall ensure that the Provider's personnel only process) the Protected Data in accordance with Schedule 1, the Contract and the Council's written instructions from time to time (including when making any transfer to which Paragraph 1.14 related) except where otherwise required by applicable law (and in such a case shall inform the Council of that legal requirement before processing, unless applicable law prevents it doing so on important grounds of public interest). The Provider shall immediately inform the Council if any instruction relating to the Protected Data infringes or may infringe any Data Protection Legislation. The Provider shall retain records of all instructions relating to the Protected Data received from the Council.

# Security

1.10 The Provider shall at all times implement and maintain appropriate technical and organisational measures to protect Protected Data against accidental, unauthorised or unlawful destruction, loss, alteration, disclosure or access. Such technical and organisational measures shall reflect the nature of the Protected Data.

#### **Sub-processing and personnel**

#### 1.11 The Provider shall:

- (1) not permit any processing of Protected Data by any agent, subcontractor, Sub-Processor or other third party (except its own employees that are subject to an enforceable obligation of confidence with regards to the Protected Data) without the prior specific written authorisation of that third party by the Council and only then subject to such conditions as the Council may require;
- (2) ensure that access to Protected Data is limited to the authorised persons who need access to it to supply the Services;
- (3) prior to any Sub-Processor carrying out any processing activities in respect of the Protected Data, appoint each Sub-Processor under a binding written contract containing the same obligations under this Schedule 1 in respect of Protected Data and that (without prejudice to, or limitation of, the foregoing):
  - (a) includes providing sufficient guarantees to implement appropriate technical and organisational measures in such a manner that the processing of Protected Data will meet the requirements of all Data Protection Legislation and comply with the Provider's obligations under this Contract; and
  - (b) is enforceable by the Provider,

and ensure each Sub-Processor is at all times subject to a binding written contract which complies with such terms and complies with all obligations in the relevant contract.

- (4) remain fully liable to the Council under the Contract for all the acts and omissions of each Sub-Processor and each of the Provider's personnel as if they were its own; and
- (5) ensure that all persons authorised by the Provider or any Sub-Processor to process Protected Data are reliable and:
  - (a) adequately training on compliance with this Schedule 1 as applicable to the processing;
  - (b) informed of the confidential nature of the Protected Data and that they must not disclose Protected Data; and
  - (c) subject to a binding and enforceable written contractual obligation to keep the Protected Data confidential; and
  - (d) promptly provide all relevant details concerning, and a copy of, each agreement with a Sub-Processor to the Council on request.

#### **Assistance**

- 1.12 The Provider shall (at its own cost and expense) promptly:
  - (1) provide such information and assistance (including by taking all appropriate technical and organisational measures) as the Council may require in relation to the fulfilment of the Council's obligations to respond to requests for exercising the Data Subjects' rights under

Chapter III of the UK GDPR (and any similar obligations under applicable Data Protection Legislation); and

- (2) provide such information, co-operation and other assistance to the Council as the Council reasonably requires (taking into account the nature of processing and the information available to the Provider) to ensure compliance with the Council's obligations under Data Protection Legislation, including with respect to:
  - (a) security of processing (including with any review of security measures);
  - (b) data protection impact assessments (as such term is defined in Data Protection Legislation);
  - (c) prior consultation with a Data Protection Supervisory Authority regarding high risk processing; and
  - (d) any remedial action and/or notifications in response to any Personal Data Breach and/or complaint or request relating to either party's obligations under Data Protection Legislation relevant to this Contract, including (subject in each case to the Council's prior written authorisation) regarding any notification of the Personal Data Breach to Data Protection Supervisory Authorities and/or communication to any effected Data Subjects.
- 1.13 the Provider shall (at no cost to the Council):
  - (1) promptly record and refer all requests and communications received from Data Subjects or any Data Protection Supervisory Authority to the Council which relate (or which may relate) to any Protected Data (and in any event within [2 WorkingDays]; and
  - (2) not respond to any such requests or communications without the Council's express written approval and strictly in accordance with the Council's written instructions unless and to the extent required by applicable law.

#### **International Transfers**

1.14 The Provider shall not process and/or transfer, or otherwise directly or indirectly disclose, any Protected Data in or to any country or territory outside the United Kingdom or to any International Organisation without the prior written authorisation of the Council (which may be refused or granted subject to such conditions as the Council seems necessary).

#### **Records and audit**

1.15 The Provider shall (and shall ensure all Sub-Processors shall) promptly make available to the Council (as the Provider's cost and expense) such information as is reasonably required to demonstrate the Provider's and the Council's compliance with their respective obligations under this Schedule 1 and the Data Protection Legislation, and allow for, permit and contribute to audits, including inspections, by the Council (or another auditor mandated by the Council) for this purpose at the Council's request from time to time. The Provider shall provide (or procure) access to all relevant premises, systems, personnel and records during normal business hours for the purposes of each such audit or inspection upon reasonable prior notice (not being more than [5] Working Days) and provide and procure all further reasonable co-operation, access and assistance in relation to any such audit or inspection.

## **Breach**

- 1.16 The Provider shall promptly (and in any event within [insert amount of hours/days]:
  - (1) notify the Council if it (or any of the Sub-Processors or the Provider's personnel) suspects or becomes aware of any suspected, actual or threatened occurrence of any Personal Data Breach in respect of any Protected Data; and

(2) provide all information as the Council requires to report the circumstances referred to in Paragraph 1.16.1 to a Data Protection Supervisory Authority and to notify affected Data Subjects under Data Protection Legislation.

#### **Deletion/return**

- 1.17 Subject to Paragraph 1.18, the Provider shall (and shall ensure that each of the Sub-Processors and Provider's personnel shall) within not less than [insert number] Working Days and not more than [insert days] Working Days of the relevant Processing End Date securely delete the Protected Data (and all copies) except to the extent that storage of any such data is required by applicable law (and, if so, the Provider shall inform the Council of any such requirement and shall securely delete such data as soon as it is permitted to do so under applicable law).
- 1.18 The Provider shall (and shall ensure that each of the Sub-Processors and Provider's personnel shall) promptly comply with any requests from the Council for the secure return and/or disclosure to the Council of any Protected Data provided such request is received within [insert number] Working Days of the relevant Processing End Date.
- **1.19** Within two Working Days of the date for performance of any obligation under Paragraph 1.17 the provider shall notify the council in writing:
  - (1) with confirmation over the extent to which it has complied with all obligations under Paragraph 1.17 to delete Protected Data:
  - (2) if applicable, offer the full details of any failure to comply with any obligation under Paragraph 1.17 (in which case the provider shall notify the council immediately once this has been corrected); and
  - (3) if applicable, of the full details old off of any protected data that continues to be stored as required by applicable law (together with confirmation of the relevant law(s)).

# PARAGRAPHS 1.20 – 1.43 APPLY WHERE THE COUNCIL AND THE PROVIDER ARE JOINT CONTROLLERS

- **1.20** Each party shall be a Controller of the Shared Personal Data. If the parties share the Shared Personal Data, it shall be shared and managed in accordance with the terms of Paragraph 1.20 1.43.
- **1.21** The parties agree to enter into a Data Sharing Agreement.

# **Compliance with Data Protection Legislation**

1.22 The Receiving Party shall at all times comply with all Data Protection Legislation in connection with the exercise and performance of its receiving rights and obligations under this Contract and the processing of the Shared Personal Data. This schedule allocates certain rights and responsibilities among the parties as enforceable contractual obligations between themselves, however, nothing in this schedule is intended to limit or exclude either party's responsibilities or liabilities under any Data Protection Legislation.

# **Obligations of the Disclosing Party**

1.23 The Disclosing Party shall ensure prior to sharing the Shared Personal Data with the Receiving Party that privacy notices have been made available to each Data Subject. During the term of this Contract, the Disclosing Party shall promptly notify the Receiving Party if it becomes aware that a relevant Data Subject has requested that their Shared Personal Data is no longer processed by either party.

## **Obligations of the Receiving Party**

**1.24** The Receiving Party shall ensure that at all times:

- (1) undertake all processing of the Shared Personal Data only for the Permitted Purpose in accordance with this Contract and in all respects in accordance with all Data Protection Legislation;
- undertake processing of the Shared Personal Data only to the extent consistent with the Permitted Lawful Basis;
- (3) not by an act or omission cause the Disclosing Party (or any other person) to be in breach of any Data Protection Legislation; and
- (4) promptly (and in any event within 10 Working Days) on request provide the Disclosing Party with copies of all records referred to in Paragraph 1.38.

# Technical and organisational measures

- **1.25** The Receiving Party shall at all times:
  - (1) put in place and maintain appropriate technical and organisational measures so as to ensure the protection of the rights of Data Subjects under all Data Protection Legislation and as otherwise required to meet the requirements of both parties under all Data Protection Legislation; and
  - (2) implement and maintain appropriate technical and organisational measures to protect the Shared Personal Data against accidental, unauthorised or unlawful destruction, loss, alteration, disclosure or access.
- **1.26** The Receiving Party shall at all times ensure the processing of the Shared Personal Data shall be limited to the authorised personnel of the Receiving Party or of a Permitted Receipt that:
  - (1) need to process it for the Permitted Purpose in accordance with the Contract;
  - (2) are reliable and adequately trained on compliance with all Data Protection Legislation; and
  - (3) are subject to (and comply with) a binding written contractual obligation to keep the Shared Personal Data confidential.

#### **Disclosures to Permitted Recipients**

- 1.27 The Receiving Party shall be liable to the Disclosing Party for all acts and omissions of each of the Permitted Recipients as if they were the acts and omissions of the Receiving Party. Each obligation in this Schedule on the Receiving Party to do, or refrain from doing, any thing shall include an obligation on the Receiving Party to ensure all Permitted Recipients do, or refrain from doing, such thing.
- **1.28** The Receiving Party shall not engage or permit any staff or third parties other than the Permitted Recipients to carry out any processing of any Shared Personal Data. The Receiving Party shall ensure at all times:
  - (1) that all processing by Permitted Recipients is conducted in a manner consistent with the Permitted Lawful Basis, the Permitted Purpose, the Receiving Party's obligations under this Contract and the restrictions on processing imposed on the Receiving Party under this Contract; and
  - (2) without prejudice to the above, that each of the Permitted Recipients (other than the employees of a Permitted Recipient or the Receiving Party) carrying out any processing of the Shared Personal Data is subject to a binding written agreement regulating its processing of the Shared Personal Data which complies in all respects with the requirements of all Data Protection Legislation.

#### International transfers

**1.29** Except as required by applicable law of the United Kingdom (or any part of the United Kingdom), the Receiving Party shall not transfer the Shared Personal Data to any county or territory outside the United Kingdom or to any international organisation without the Disclosing Party's written consent.

#### **Data Subject Requests, Personal Data Breaches and Communications**

- 1.30 The Receiving Party shall promptly notify (and in any event within [24 hours]) the Disclosing Party if the Receiving Party suspects or becomes aware of any actual or threatened occurrence of any Personal Data Breach in respect of any Shared Personal Data. The Receiving Party shall promptly (and in any event within [24 hours]) provide all such assistance and information as the Disclosing Party requires to report any actual or suspected Personal Data Breach to a Data Protection Supervisory Authority and to notify affected Data Subjects under Data Protection Legislation.
- 1.31 The Receiving Party shall promptly (and, in any event, within 2 Working Days of receipt) inform the Disclosing Party if it receives any Communication or Data Subject Request. When receiving and responding to a Data Subject Request or a Communication the Receiving Party shall consult in advance with the Disclosing Party and promptly comply with the Disclosing Party's instructions (if any).
- **1.32** Subject to the remainder of this Schedule, as between the parties, responsibility for compliance with and responding to:
  - (1) any Data Subject Request falls on the party which first received such Data Subject Request;
  - (2) any Communication falls on the party which receives the Communication from a Communicator;
  - (3) each party's respective obligations in respect of any Personal Data Breach (including notification of a Data Protection Supervisory Authority and/or Data Subject(s)) impacting or relating to any Shared Personal Data in the possession or control of the Receiving Party (or any third party with whom it has shared such data) *falls on the Receiving Party*; and
- 1.33 The Receiving Party shall notify the Disclosing Party of any action under this Schedule 1 (together with full details) to the extent such action relates to this Agreement or to the fulfilment of any of the Receiving Party's obligations under Data Protection Legislation. Where possible the Receiving Party shall notify the Disclosing Party as soon as possible in advance of such action being taken (and in any event shall do so within 1 Working Day of such action).
- **1.34** Paragraph 1.33 does not restrict either party's right to perform any of its obligations under Data Protection Legislation itself in the manner it determined (whether or not in addition to the other party having performed such obligations).
- 1.35 Each party shall promptly co-operate with and provide reasonable assistance, information and records to the other to assist each party with their respective compliance with Data Protection Legislation and in relation to all Communications and Data Subject Requests.
- **1.36** The Disclosing Party's obligations under Paragraphs 1.33.2, 1.33.3, and 1.36 shall be performed at the Receiving Party's expense, except to the extent that the circumstances giving rise to such obligation arose out of any breach by the Disclosing Party of its obligations under this Agreement.

# Records

1.37 The Receiving Party shall maintain complete, accurate and up to date written records of all its processing of the Shared Personal Data and as necessary to demonstrate its compliance with this Schedule..

#### Retention

- **1.38** Except as required by applicable law of the United Kingdom (or any part of the United Kingdom), the Receiving Party shall:
  - (1) process each part of the Shared Personal Data for no longer than such processing is necessary for the Permitted Purpose and compliant with this Schedule and all Data Protection Legislation and in any event cease to process each part of the Shared Personal Data on the earlier of termination or expiry of this Contract;
  - (2) immediately confidentially, irrecoverably and securely destroy or dispose of all Shared Personal Data (and all copies) in its possession or control that can no longer be processed in accordance with Paragraph 1.38.1.

#### **Breach**

**1.39** Any breach by the Receiving Party of any of its obligations under this Schedule shall be regarded as being material for the purposes of this Contract.

#### Costs

- **1.40** Except as expressly stated in this Contract, each party shall pay its own costs and expenses incurred in connection with the negotiation, preparation and performance of this Schedule.
- 1.41 Each party shall ensure the information (including in privacy notices or other information) it gives to Data Subjects identifies the Provider at the Data Disclosing Party, as the primary contact for Data Subject Requests and Communications from Data Subjects in relation to all processing of Shared Personal Data undertaken in connection with this Contract (while recognising that Data Subjects may choose to contact either party).
- 1.42 The parties wish to record that the representative within their organisation with overall internal responsibility for ensuring the respective party's compliance with its obligations under this Schedule (including those relating to Data Subject Requests) is
  - (a) Bronwyn Mthimunye who can be contacted at bronwyn.mthimunye@northumbria.ac.uk (in the case of the Disclosing Party); and
  - (b) DPO for the Council, who can be contacted at <a href="DPO@durham.gov.uk">DPO@durham.gov.uk</a>. (in the case of the Receiving Party). Each party may update details of their representative referred to in Paragraph 1.42 by notice to the other party in accordance with Paragraph 6.
- **1.43** The provisions of this Schedule 1 shall survive termination or expiry of this Contract.

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