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Dear

Thank you for your e-mail of 25 July, in which you request information under the provisions of the FOI Act 2000.

In your request you asked the following questions regarding the Boundary Commission for England's staff structure, HR policy and recruitment procedures:

- 1. Please advise the total staff headcount that are employed directly by the Boundary Commission for England, with each part-time employee counted as one employee. Please exclude all temporary agency workers from this figure.
- 2. Please identify each supplier that the Boundary Commission for England has a contract with to supply temporary agency workers.
- 3. Please identify: **a.** the type of contract that the Boundary Commission for England has with each of these suppliers (preferred supplier list/ framework/ etc. If framework, please indicate **b.** which e.g. MSTAR/ YPO/ Panel London/ Pan London/ NPS All Wales/ Crown Commercial Services/ etc; and **c.** whether this is on a neutral/ master/ hybrid vender model, or the lot number.
- **4.** Please advise for each contract identified within (2) above of: \mathbf{a} . the current end date of the contract; \mathbf{b} . the date(s) that any break clause(s) can be enabled; and \mathbf{c} . the length of time of any extension that can be enabled.
- 5. Please advise of the **a.** full name of the main contact at the Boundary Commission for England who is responsible for the main (or majority of the) contract(s) identified within (2) above, together with their: **b** job title:
- c. group (either team, division or department, whichever is the smallest identifiable group);
- d. telephone number;
- e. email; and
- f. full postal address, inc postcode.
- **6.** Please identify all suppliers that the Boundary Commission for England has sourced a temporary agency worker from but does not have a contract with from 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016.

7. For each temporary agency supplier (either **a**. contracted as identified within (2) above; **b**. non-contracted as identified within (6) above; and **c**. all temporary workers the Boundary Commission for England has sourced directly), how much has been spent on each supplier (or directly), from 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016?

Following consideration of your request, I can confirm the BCE does not hold any of the information you require. The BCE is an independent non-departmental public body sponsored by the Cabinet Office. It is housed within the estate of the Cabinet Office and all its staff are provided by them. Should you wish to pursue your request for information further you should redirect your request to the Cabinet Office FOI team at the following e-mail address:

FOI-team@cabinetoffice.gov.uk

Under the provisions of the FOI Act if you are dissatisfied with the response we have provided you may ask for an internal review. The BCE has a reciprocal arrangement with the Boundary Commission for Wales and in this instance you should write to:

The Secretary to the Boundary Commission for Wales, Ground Floor, Fitzalan Court, Cardiff, CF24 0BL.

If it transpires you are not content with our response or the internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the BCE. The Information Commissioner can be contacted on:

The Office of the Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely

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