

**Date:** 9<sup>th</sup> August 2021

**Our Reference:** FOIA-2021-074

**RE: Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000**

I write in response to your Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('FoIA 2000') request, dated 22/07/2021, in which you requested:

"I would be grateful if you would provide details of your current contract covering reprographics/print arrangements as follows

1. Number of MFDs (Multi-functional devices) & photocopiers at the College of Policing
2. Name of incumbent
3. Start/end date of contract
4. Details of any extension options
5. Is this a managed service
6. What framework used
7. Number of regular/desktop printers (in addition to above)
8. Is there a support contract on above, if yes state start/end date
9. Does the college have a Print Room
10. If yes, name of supplier, number of devices and start/end date of contract, also details of any extension options
11. What print software does the college run
12. Who supplies your outsourced print requirements
13. Start/end date of contract
14. Name of person responsible for print at the college"

**Decision**

When a request for information is made under FoIA 2000, a public authority has a general duty under section 1(1) of the Act to inform an applicant whether the requested information is held. There is then a general obligation to communicate that information to the applicant. If a public authority decides that the information should not be disclosed because an exemption applies, it must, under section 17(1) cite the appropriate section or exemption of the Act and provide an explanation for relying upon it.

In line with section 1(1) of the FoIA, I can confirm the College **holds some information** relevant to your request. Please find the answers to your questions below:

1. Number of MFDs (Multi-functional devices) & photocopiers at the College of Policing - **21**
2. Name of incumbent - **Canon**
3. Start/end date of contract – **29/03/2021 – 28/03/2022**
4. Details of any extension options – **no information held**
5. Is this a managed service - **yes**
6. What framework used - **CCS RM3781/CCS RM3781 Lot 1 (Stat code RM37811)**
7. Number of regular/desktop printers (in addition to above) – **approximately 130 Canon Home print devices (not part of the Canon contract)**
8. Is there a support contract on above, if yes state start/end date – **No information held**
9. Does the college have a Print Room - **yes**
10. If yes, name of supplier, number of devices and start/end date of contract, also details of any extension options - **Konica - there are 3 Printers - July 2017 – July 2022 – no information held on extension options**
11. What print software does the college run - **Tharsten**
12. Who supplies your outsourced print requirements – **no information held**
13. Start/end date of contract – **no information held**
14. Name of person responsible for print at the college - **IS TEAM for office printers**

**The name of the person responsible for the Print Room/Unit and home use printers has been withheld under the section 40(2) exemption.**

Your rights can be found at the end of this letter. Please find an explanation of our decision to apply section 40(2) below.

Yours sincerely,

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## **Section 40(2) – Personal information**

Section 40(2) states that:

“Any information to which a request for information relates is also exempt information if-

- (a) It constitutes personal data which do not fall within subsection (1), and
- (b) Either the first or the second condition below is satisfied.”

Essentially, under section 40(2) FoIA (by virtue of section 40(3A)), personal data of a third party can be withheld if any of the data protection principles would be breached by disclosing that data.

Personal data is defined in section 3(2) of the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA), as being:

“Any information relating to an identified or identifiable living individual”.

Section 3(3) DPA defines an identifiable living individual as:

“a living individual who can be identified, directly or indirectly, in particular by reference to –

- (a) an identifier such as a name, an identification number, location data or an online identifier, or
- (b) one or more factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of the individual”.

As is stated above, the two main elements of personal data are: that the information must ‘relate’ to a living person and that the person must be identifiable. Information will relate to a person if it is: about them, linked to them, has some biographical significance for them, is used to inform decisions affecting them, and has them as its main focus or impacts on them in any way.

We consider that releasing the names of those involved in managing printing may lead to the identification of a living individual, and would therefore breach data protection principles laid out in the Data Protection Act 2018.

We are committed to openness and transparency, and recognise the wider public interest in the details of College employees being made available. However, we also have a legal duty to ensure that the right to privacy is protected. Consequently, we do not believe that it would be fair to provide the names requested.

## **Your right of review**

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 you have a right to request an internal review if you are dissatisfied with our handling of your request. Review requests should be made in writing (by email or post) within 40 working days from the date of our original response. We will aim to respond to your review request within 20 working days.

## **The Information Commissioner's Office (ICO)**

If, after lodging a review request you are still dissatisfied, you may raise the matter with the ICO. For further information you can visit their website at <https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/official-information/>. Alternatively, you can contact them by phone or write to them at the following address:

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