

## STANDARD CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF WORKS

### 1. Interpretation

1.1 In these conditions:

**“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

**“Contract”**; means the Order together with these conditions

**"the Council"**; means the ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL of County Hall, High Street, Newport, Isle of Wight PO30 1UD

**“Data Processor”**; shall have the same meaning as set out in the Data Protection Act 1998

**“Data Protection Legislation”**; means the Data Protection Act 1998 (DPA), the EU Data Protection Directive 95/46/EC, the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000, the Telecommunications (Lawful Business Practice) (Interception of Communications) Regulations 2000, the Electronic Communications Data Protection Directive 2002/58/EC, the Privacy and Electronic Communications (EC Directive) Regulations 2003 and all applicable laws and regulations relating to processing of personal data and privacy, including where applicable the guidance and codes of practice issued by the Information Commissioner

**“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

**“FOIA”**; the Freedom of Information Act 2000, and any subordinate legislation made under the Act from time to time, together with any guidance and/or codes of practice issued by the Information Commissioner or relevant government department in relation to such legislation

**“Information”**; has the meaning given under section 84 of FOIA

**“Law”**; any law, statute, subordinate legislation within the meaning of section 21(1) of the Interpretation Act 1978, bye-law, enforceable right within the meaning of section 2 of the European Communities Act 1972, regulation, order, mandatory guidance or code of practice, judgment of a relevant court of law, or directives or requirements of any regulatory body with which the Supplier is bound to comply

**“Necessary Consents”**; all approvals, certificates, authorisations, permissions, licences, permits, regulations and consents necessary from time to time for the performance of the Service

**"Order"**; means:

- (i) any invitation to tender; or
- (ii) any request for quotation; or
- (iii) any order placed; and
- (iv) the Suppliers response to any invitation to tender, request for quotation or order placed by the Council for the supply of Works

including all special conditions, specifications, patterns, plans, drawings, reports and other

documents which are incorporated or referred to therein

**"Parties"**; means the Council and the Supplier

**"Personal Data"**; shall have the same meaning as set out in the Data Protection Act 1998

**"Prohibited Act"**; the following constitute Prohibited Acts:

- (a) to directly or indirectly offer, promise or give any person working for or engaged by the Authority a financial or other advantage to:
  - (i) induce that person to perform improperly a relevant function or activity; or
  - (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 Agreement;
- (c) committing any offence:
  - (i) under the Bribery Act;
  - (ii) under legislation or common law concerning fraudulent acts;
  - (iii) defrauding, attempting to defraud or conspiring to defraud the Authority
- (d) any activity, practice or conduct which would constitute one of the offences listed under *condition (c)*, if such activity, practice or conduct had been carried out in the UK.

**"Request for Information"**; a request for information or an apparent request under the Code of Practice on Access to Government Information, FOIA or the EIRs

**"Special Conditions"**; means any conditions which are supplementary to these standard conditions of contract for the provision of Works and which are specified in the Order

**"Supplier"**; means the person, firm or company to whom the Order is addressed

**"Works"**; means the works and services described in the Order and shall, where the context so admits, include any materials, articles and goods to be supplied thereunder

**"Working Day"**; Monday to Friday, excluding any public holidays in England and Wales

1.2. Clause, schedule and paragraph headings shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement.

1.3. A **person** includes a natural person, corporate or unincorporated body (whether or not having separate legal personality).

1.4. A reference to a **company** shall include any company, corporation or other body corporate, wherever and however incorporated or established.

1.5. Words in the singular shall include the plural and vice versa.

1.6. A reference to one gender shall include a reference to the other genders.

1.7. A reference to a statute or statutory provision is a reference to it as it is in force for the time being, taking account of any amendment, extension, or re-enactment and includes any subordinate legislation for the time being in force made under it.

1.8. Where there is any conflict or inconsistency between these conditions of Contract and the Order, such conflict or inconsistency shall be resolved according to the following

order of priority:

- 1.8.1. This Document being the Councils Standard Condition or Contract for the Provision of Service
- 1.8.2. Any Special Conditions
- 1.8.3. The Order

## **2. Conditions of Purchase**

- 2.1. These conditions shall, unless otherwise specified in the Order, apply to all contracts for the procurement of Works by the Council from the Supplier to the exclusion of all other terms and conditions including any terms or conditions which the Supplier may purport to apply under any sales offer or similar document or in correspondence.
- 2.2. These conditions, together with the Order shall constitute the entire understanding between the Council and the Supplier with respect to the subject matter covered by the Order and supersede all previous agreements and understandings between the parties
- 2.3. Any variation of these conditions (including any special terms and conditions agreed between the parties) shall be inapplicable unless agreed in writing by the parties.

## **3. Provision of the Works**

- 3.1. The Supplier shall at all times provide the Works:
  - 3.1.1. in such a manner as to ensure that it satisfies the required service standards set out in the Order;
  - 3.1.2. with all reasonable skill and care; and
  - 3.1.3. in accordance with all Applicable Laws and any UK government guidance and shall conform in all respects with any particulars specified in the Order or any variations thereto
- 3.2. The Supplier shall provide all staff, equipment, materials and other things whatsoever required for the provision of the Works
- 3.3. The Supplier shall provide the Council with such progress reports of its work at such intervals and in such form as is detailed in the Order or as otherwise agreed in writing from time to time
- 3.4. The Supplier shall complete the Works at the time(s) specified in the Order or as agreed by the parties in writing and in either event time shall be considered to be of the essence. If no time is specified for completion of the Works then the Supplier shall complete the Works within a reasonable time.

## **4. Access to the Site**

- 4.1. The Councils Authorised Representative will advise the Supplier on award of a Contract for Works the arrangements for access to any particular premises. The Supplier shall thereafter be responsible for making their own arrangements to access the site and notifying the head of the establishment immediately on arrival and confirm the purpose

of the visit.

- 4.2. All Supplier personnel shall at all times be properly attired and presentable in appropriately identifiable uniforms or company branded clothing.
- 4.3. All Supplier personnel shall at all times carry identity cards in a form approved by the Authority.

## **5. Working Methods**

- 5.1. The Supplier shall ensure that a risk assessment has been undertaken and suitable precautions are in place for the working methods chosen, including appropriate clothing and personal protective equipment. Where hot working is to be undertaken, the contractor shall inform the Councils Authorised Representative of this, prior to any work commencing.
- 5.2. If the Supplier is unsure at any time about some aspect of the work, it should be first discussed with the Councils Authorised Representative.
- 5.3. The Supplier shall (and shall procure that the Supplier's personnel shall):
  - 5.3.1. remove tools and unfixed materials to safe storage at the end of each working period
  - 5.3.2. ensure that no tools, especially power tools, are left unattended.
  - 5.3.3. keep the site free from accumulated waste
  - 5.3.4. prevent the illegal disposal of waste from the site
  - 5.3.5. remove all controlled waste to a licenced disposal site
  - 5.3.6. leave the site clean and tidy.
- 5.4. The Supplier shall (and shall procure that the Supplier's personnel shall) ensure that no life safety system (e.g. fire alarm) shall be disabled without prior written consent from the Councils Authorised Representative.
- 5.5. In relation to emergencies the Supplier shall ensure that:
  - 5.5.1. occupants are informed of emergency procedures and that these are coordinated with those of the site;
  - 5.5.2. that emergency exits shall not be blocked unless previously agreed with the Councils Authorised representative;
  - 5.5.3. that risk assessments take into account fire hazards as appropriate;
  - 5.5.4. that gas bottles to be appropriately sited, secured to trolleys and safely stored;
  - 5.5.5. that suitable fire-fighting equipment is brought to site and kept ready for use.
- 5.6. Where hazardous materials are used the Supplier shall supply the Councils Authorised Representative with a copy of the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health data sheets prior to works commencing.
- 5.7. The Supplier shall inform the occupants of any precautions being taken of which, for their own safety, they need to be aware.
- 5.8. The contractor shall ensure the working area is properly secured if occupants need to be excluded for protection from fumes, gases or other hazards. Prior to re-occupation,

the Supplier must check and confirm it is safe to do so, and then inform the Councils Authorised Representative of this.

- 5.9. The Contractor must check the site Asbestos Register and report works likely to disturb identified ACM's to the Issuing Officer [GL1] for instructions before proceeding.

## **6. Materials and Workmanship**

- 6.1. All materials shall be new unless otherwise agreed.
- 6.2. All goods and materials used and all workmanship shall be not less than British Standard or British Standard Code of Practice quality.
- 6.3. Due to "retention of title" clauses the Council reserves the right to demand proof of title of any material on site before payment.

## **7. Existing Services and Features**

- 7.1. The Supplier where applicable shall be responsible for ascertaining from all statutory authorities and undertakings the precise location of all mains service cables, pipes, ducts and the like.
- 7.2. The Supplier shall protect and maintain all pipes, ducts, sewers, service mains, overhead cables, etc. during the execution of the works and make good any damage arising therefrom at their own expense.
- 7.3. All services shall be isolated and safe before work commences on the site.
- 7.4. On completion the Supplier shall check all disturbed services for electrical safety and leakage of water or gas and provide test certificates as appropriate.
- 7.5. The Supplier shall be responsible for protecting existing permanent features and reinstating the same, if damaged during the course of the work

## **8. Compliance**

- 8.1. The Supplier shall ensure that all Necessary Consents are in place to provide the Works and the Council shall not (unless otherwise agreed) incur any additional costs associated with obtaining, maintaining or complying with the same.
- 8.2. Where there is any conflict or inconsistency between the provisions of the agreement and the requirements of a Necessary Consent, then the latter shall prevail, provided that the Supplier has made all reasonable attempts to obtain a Necessary Consent in line with the requirements of the Works
- 8.3. The Supplier shall perform its obligations under this Contract (including those in relation to the Works) in accordance with all applicable Law regarding health and safety.
- 8.4. The Supplier shall (and shall procure that the Suppliers personnel shall) comply with such legislative requirements are applicable to the Works as may apply at the time. this shall include but not be limited to the following (where appropriate):
  - 8.4.1. Factories Act 1961
  - 8.4.2. Office, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963

- 8.4.3. Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015
- 8.4.4. Control of Pollution Act 1974
- 8.4.5. Construction and Regeneration Act 1996
- 8.5. The Supplier shall (and shall procure that the Supplier's personnel shall):
  - 8.5.1. perform its obligations under this Contract (including those in relation to the Works) in accordance with:
    - 8.5.1.1. all applicable equality law (whether in relation to race, sex, gender reassignment, age, disability, sexual orientation, religion or belief, pregnancy, maternity or otherwise);
    - 8.5.1.2. the Council's equality and diversity policy which can be located at [www.iwight.com](http://www.iwight.com) ; and
    - 8.5.1.3. any other requirements and instructions which the Council reasonably imposes in connection with any equality obligations imposed on the Council at any time under applicable equality law; and
  - 8.5.2. take all necessary steps, and inform the Council of the steps taken, to prevent unlawful discrimination designated as such by any court or tribunal, or the Equality and Human Rights Commission or (any successor organisation)
  - 8.5.3. at all times comply with the provisions of the Human Rights Act 1998 in the performance of this Contract. The Supplier shall also undertake, or refrain from undertaking, such acts as the Council requests so as to enable the Council to comply with its obligations under the Human Rights Act 1998.
- 8.6. The Contractor shall comply with all notices required by any statute, any statutory instrument, ruling or order or any regulation or byelaw applicable to the Works and shall pay all fees and charges in respect of the Works legally recoverable from him

## **9. Supplier's Status**

- 9.1. In carrying out the Works the Supplier shall be acting as principal and not as the agent of the Council.
- 9.2. The Supplier shall not (and shall procure that its employees, servants and agents do not) say or do anything that might lead any other person to believe that the Supplier is acting as the agent of the Council
- 9.3. nothing in the Order or these conditions shall impose any liability on the Council in respect of any liability incurred by the Supplier to any other person but this shall not be taken to exclude or limit any liability of the Council to the Supplier that may arise by virtue of either a breach of this Contract or any negligence on the part of the Council

## **10. Personnel**

- 10.1. Each party shall nominate an individual as its Authorised Representative for the purpose of this Contract. For the Council this shall be the Principal Officer, Corporate Property

Maintenance or such other person designated by him to supervise the Works.

- 10.2. Each party shall notify the other with of the details of their Authorised representative including but not limited to their name, position within the organization, address, contract telephone numbers and email address.
- 10.3. Both Parties may replace their Authorised representative at any time by giving written notice to the other Party.
- 10.4. At all times, the Supplier shall ensure that:
  - 10.4.1. each of the Supplier's personnel is suitably qualified, adequately trained and capable of providing the Works in respect of which they are engaged. The Supplier must ensure that:
    - 10.4.1.1. all electricians are to be NICEIC (National Inspection Council for Electrical Installation Contracting) registered (or equal and suitable for works in commercial properties) and conversant with current Institute of Electrical Engineers Regulations.
    - 10.4.1.2. all gas installers must be on the 'Gas Safe' register;
  - 10.4.2. there is an adequate number of Supplier's personnel to provide the Works properly;
  - 10.4.3. only those people who are authorised by the Supplier (are involved in providing the Works.
- 10.5. The Supplier shall replace any of the Supplier's personnel who the Council reasonably decides have failed to carry out their duties with reasonable skill and care. Following the removal of any of the Supplier's personnel for any reason, the Supplier shall ensure such person is replaced promptly with another person with the necessary training and skills to meet the requirements of the Works.
- 10.6. The Supplier shall maintain up-to-date personnel records on the Supplier's personnel engaged in the provision of the Works and shall provide information to the Council as the Council reasonably requests on the Supplier's personnel. The Supplier shall ensure at all times that it has the right to provide these records in compliance with the applicable Data Protection Legislation.
- 10.7. The Supplier shall use its best endeavours to ensure continuity of personnel and to ensure that the turnover rate of its staff engaged in the provision or management of the Works is at least as good at the prevailing industry norm for similar Works, locations and environments

## **11. Payment**

- 11.1. Payment of the price specified in the Order shall be made by the Council to the Supplier on such date or dates as may be specified in the Order or if not so specified shall be made within 20 Working Days of receipt of the appropriate VAT invoice, such invoice to be received no earlier than the date for the completion date of the Works

- 11.2. Where any party disputes any sum to be paid by it then a payment equal to the sum not in dispute shall be paid and the dispute as to the sum that remains unpaid shall be determined in accordance with condition 11. Provided that the sum has been disputed in good faith, interest due on any sums in dispute shall not accrue until the earlier of 30 days after resolution of the dispute between the parties
- 11.3. Subject to condition 11.2, interest shall be payable on the late payment of any undisputed Charges properly invoiced under this Contract in accordance with the Late Payment of Commercial Debts (Interest) Act 1998. The Supplier shall not suspend the supply of the Works if any payment is overdue
- 11.4. The Charges are stated exclusive of VAT, which shall be added at the prevailing rate as applicable and paid by the Council following delivery of a valid VAT invoice. The Supplier shall indemnify the Council against any liability (including any interest, penalties or costs incurred) which is levied, demanded or assessed on the Council at any time in respect of the Supplier's failure to account for, or to pay, any VAT relating to payments made to the Supplier under this Contract.
- 11.5. The Supplier shall maintain complete and accurate records of, and supporting documentation for, all amounts which may be chargeable to the Council pursuant to this Contract. Such records shall be retained for inspection by the Council for 6 (six) years from the end of the Contract Year to which the records relate
- 11.6. Wherever pursuant to the Order any sum of money is recoverable from or payable by the Supplier, that sum may be deducted from any sum then due, or which at any later time may become due, to the Supplier under the Order or under any other agreement or contract with the Council

## **12. Service Monitoring**

- 12.1. The Council or its Authorised Representative shall have the right to inspect and examine the work being performed on the Council's behalf at any reasonable time; where any part of the work is being performed on premises other than the Council's premises; reasonable notice shall be given to the Supplier. The Supplier shall give all such facilities as the Council or its Authorised Representative may reasonably require for such inspection and examination

## **13. Default**

- 13.1. If the Supplier shall at any time fail to carry out any part of the Works in accordance with the specification set out in the Order then, without prejudice to any other right or remedy which the Council may possess in respect of such failure, the Council may:
- 13.1.1. require the Supplier to remedy such default within such time as may be specified by the Council by providing or providing again (as the case may be) without further charges to the Council such part of the Works to the required standard; and/or

- 13.1.2. without determining the Order in whole or in part, itself provide or procure the provision of such part of the Works until such time as the Supplier shall have proved to the reasonable satisfaction of the Council that such part of the Works will once more be provided by the Supplier to the required standard or, at the Council's option until such later time as the Council may specify as being reasonable notice in all the circumstances that the Supplier will once more so provide such part of the Works; and
  - 13.1.3. without determining the whole of the Order, determine the Order in respect of such part of the Works only and thereafter itself provide or procure the provision of such part of the Works
- 13.2. The Council may charge the cost of any Works provided or procured by it under condition 9 together with an administration charge equal to 10% of the cost of such Works, to the Supplier

#### **14. Dispute Resolution**

- 14.1. If a dispute arises out of or in connection with this Agreement or the performance, validity or enforceability of it (**Dispute**) then the parties shall follow the procedure set out in this condition:
- 14.1.1. 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 Representatives shall attempt in good faith to resolve the Dispute;
  - 14.1.2. if the Authorised Representatives are for any reason unable to resolve the Dispute within 30 days of service of the Dispute Notice, the Dispute shall be referred to the Authority's Chief Executive Officer and the Supplier's Chief Executive Officer who shall attempt in good faith to resolve it (or nominate a person to do so on their behalf); and
  - 14.1.3. if the process outlined in condition 14.1.3 is unsuccessful then within 30 days of it being referred to the Chief Executive Officers or their nominees, 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 Solve. To initiate the mediation, a party must serve notice in writing (ADR notice) to the other party to the Dispute, requesting mediation. A copy of the ADR notice should be sent to CEDR Solve. The mediation will start not later than 60 days after the date of the ADR notice
- 14.2. The commencement of mediation shall not prevent the parties commencing or continuing court or arbitration proceedings in relation to the

#### **15. Risk and Insurance**

- 15.1. The Supplier shall at its own cost effect and maintain, with a reputable insurance

company, a policy or policies of insurance providing the levels of insurance prescribed in the Order or if not so specified a policy or policies of insurance providing an adequate level of insurance for the Works being provided under this Contract.

- 15.2. The cover shall be in respect of all risks which may be incurred by the Supplier, arising out of the Supplier's performance of the Contract, including death or personal injury, loss of or damage to property or 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 Supplier.
- 15.3. The Supplier shall give the Council, on request, copies of all insurance policies referred to in this condition or a broker's verification of insurance to demonstrate that the Required Insurances are in place, together with receipts or other evidence of payment of the latest premiums due under those policies
- 15.4. If, for whatever reason, the Supplier fails to give effect to and maintain the insurance required in accordance with condition 15.1 and 15.2, the Council may make alternative arrangements to protect its interests and may recover the costs of such arrangements from the Supplier.
- 15.5. The terms of any insurance or the amount of cover shall not relieve the Supplier of any liabilities under the agreement.
- 15.6. The Supplier shall hold and maintain the Required Insurances for a minimum of six years following the expiration or earlier termination of the agreement

## **16. Assignment or Sub-Contracting**

- 16.1. The Supplier shall not without the consent in writing of the Council assign or transfer the Order or any part thereof to any other person except as part of a company amalgamation or reconstruction
- 16.2. The Supplier shall not without the consent in writing of the Council sub-let the Order or any part thereof but this shall not prevent the Supplier sub-letting part of the Order to any company which is a member of the group to which the Supplier belongs or a company with whom the Supplier is associated (provided that the Supplier shall provide such evidence of proof as required by the Council). Any such consent shall not relieve the Supplier of any of his obligations under the Order

## **17. Bankruptcy/Liquidation etc.**

- 17.1. In the event of the Supplier becoming bankrupt or making a composition or arrangement with its creditors or having a proposal in respect of its company for a voluntary arrangement for a composition of debts or scheme or arrangement approved in accordance with the Insolvency Act, 1986 or any statutory re-enactment or amendment thereof, or having an application made under the Insolvency Act, 1986 or any statutory re-enactment or amendment thereof in respect of its company to the Court for the appointment of an administrator, or having a winding-up order made or (except for the purposes of amalgamation or reconstruction) a resolution for voluntary

winding up passed or having a provisional liquidator, receiver or manager of his business or undertaking duly appointed or having an administrative receiver as defined in the Insolvency Act, 1986 or any statutory re-enactment or amendment thereof, appointed or having possession taken by or on behalf of the holders of any debentures secured by a floating charge, or any property comprised in or subject to the floating charge then in any and all of such eventualities the Council shall be at liberty:

17.1.1. to cancel the Order summarily by notice in writing without compensation to the Supplier, or

17.1.2. to give any receiver, liquidator, trustee or insolvency practitioner the option of carrying out the Order

PROVIDED THAT the exercise of the right under this condition shall be at the sole discretion of the Council and shall not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy which shall have accrued or shall accrue thereafter to the Council

## **18. Force Majeure**

18.1. Neither party to this Contract shall be liable to the other for any delay or non-performance of its obligations the Order and/or these conditions if such delay or failure arises from any cause or causes beyond the reasonable control of the Supplier, including, but not limited to, labour disputes, lightning, shortages of materials, rationing, utility or commitments failures, earthquakes, blockages, actions, restrictions, regulations or orders of any Government, agency or subdivision thereof

## **19. Infringement of Patents**

19.1. Where applicable the Supplier shall fully indemnify the Council against any action, claim, demand costs, charges and expenses arising from or incurred by reason of any infringement or alleged infringement of any letters patent, registered design, trademark, or trade name protected in the United Kingdom by the use or sale of the Goods and against all costs and damages which the Council may incur in any action for such infringement or for which the Council may become liable in any such action. Provided always that this indemnity shall not apply to any infringement which is due to the Supplier having followed a design or instruction furnished by the Council or to the use of the Goods in a manner or for a purpose not reasonably to be inferred by the Supplier or disclosed to the Supplier prior to the making of the Contract

19.2. In the event of any claim being made or action brought against the Council arising out of the matters referred to in this condition the Supplier shall be promptly notified thereof and at his own expense conduct all negotiations for the settlement of the same and any litigation that may arise therefrom. The Council shall not, unless and until the Supplier shall have failed to take over the conduct of negotiations or litigation, make any admission which might be prejudicial thereto. The conduct by the Supplier of such

negotiations or litigation shall be conditional upon the Supplier having first given to the Council such reasonable security as shall from time to time be required by the Council to cover the amount ascertained or agreed estimated, as the case may be, of any compensation, damages, expenses and costs for which the Council may become liable. The Council shall, at the request of the Supplier, afford all available assistance for any such purpose and shall be repaid any expenses incurred in doing so

19.3. The Council on his part warrants that any design or instructions furnished or given by him shall not be such or cause the Supplier to infringe any letters patent, registered designs, trademarks or trade name in the performance of the Contract

## **20. Prevention of bribery**

20.1. The Supplier represents and warrants that neither it, nor to the best of its knowledge any Supplier's personnel, have at any time prior to the commencement of the Contract:

20.1.1. committed a Prohibited Act or been formally notified that it is subject to an investigation or prosecution which relates to an alleged Prohibited Act; and/or

20.1.2. been listed by any government department or agency as being debarred, suspended, proposed for suspension or debarment, or otherwise ineligible for participation in government procurement programmes or contracts on the grounds of a Prohibited Act

20.2. The Supplier shall not during the term of this Contract:

20.2.1. commit a Prohibited Act; and/or

20.2.2. do or suffer anything to be done which would cause the Council or any of the Council's employees, consultants, contractors, sub-contractors or agents to contravene any of the Bribery Act or otherwise incur any liability in relation to the Bribery Act.

20.3. The Supplier shall during the term of this Contract:

20.3.1. establish, maintain and enforce, and require that its sub-contractors establish, maintain and enforce, policies and procedures which are adequate to ensure compliance with the Bribery Act and prevent the occurrence of a Prohibited Act; and

20.3.2. keep appropriate records of its compliance with its obligations under *condition 20.3.1* and make such records available to the Council on request.

20.4. The Supplier shall immediately notify the Council in writing if it becomes aware of any breach of condition 20.1 and/or condition 20.2, or has reason to believe that it has or any of the Supplier's personnel have:

20.4.1. been subject to an investigation or prosecution which relates to an alleged Prohibited Act;

20.4.2. been listed by any government department or agency as being debarred, suspended, proposed for suspension or debarment, or otherwise ineligible for

participation in government procurement programmes or contracts on the grounds of a Prohibited Act; and/or

- 20.4.3. received a request or demand for any undue financial or other advantage of any kind in connection with the performance of this Contract or otherwise suspects that any person or Party directly or indirectly connected with this Contract has committed or attempted to commit a Prohibited Act.
- 20.5. If the Supplier makes a notification to the Council pursuant to condition 20.4, the Supplier shall respond promptly to the Council's enquiries, co-operate with any investigation, and allow the Council to audit any books, records and/or any other relevant documentation.
- 20.6. If the Supplier is in Default under condition 20.1 and/or condition 20.2, the Council may by notice:
  - 20.6.1. require the Supplier to remove from performance of this Contract any Supplier's personnel whose acts or omissions have caused the Default; or
  - 20.6.2. immediately terminate this Contract.
- 20.7. Any notice served by the Council under condition 20.6 shall specify the nature of the Prohibited Act, the identity of the Party who the Council believes has committed the Prohibited Act and the action that the Council has elected to take (including, where relevant, the date on which this Contract shall terminate)

## **21. Data Protection Act**

- 21.1. The Supplier shall (and shall procure that any of its Supplier's personnel involved in the provision of the Contract shall) comply with any notification requirements under the DPA and both Parties shall duly observe all their obligations under the DPA, which arise in connection with the Contract
- 21.2. Notwithstanding the general obligation in condition 21.1, where the Supplier is processing Personal Data as a Data Processor for the Council, the Supplier shall ensure that it has in place appropriate technical and contractual measures to ensure the security of the Personal Data (and to guard against unauthorised or unlawful processing of the Personal Data and against accidental loss or destruction of, or damage to, the Personal Data), as required under the Seventh Data Protection Principle in Schedule 1 to the DPA; and
  - 21.2.1. provide the Council with such information as the Council may reasonably require to satisfy itself that the Supplier is complying with its obligations under the DPA;
  - 21.2.2. promptly notify the Council of any breach of the security measures required to be put in place pursuant to condition 21.2; and
  - 21.2.3. ensure it does not knowingly or negligently do or omit to do anything which places the Council in breach of the Council's obligations under the DPA
- 21.3. The provisions of this condition shall apply during the continuance of the Contract and indefinitely after its expiry or termination

## **22. Freedom of Information**

22.1. The Supplier acknowledges that the Council is subject to the requirements of the FOIA and the EIRs. The Supplier shall:

- 22.1.1. 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;
- 22.1.2. transfer to the Council all Requests for Information relating to this Contract that it receives as soon as practicable and in any event within 2 Working Days of receipt;
- 22.1.3. 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
- 22.1.4. not respond directly to a Request For Information unless authorised in writing to do so by the Council.

22.2. The Supplier acknowledges that the Council may be required under the FOIA and EIRs to disclose Information (including commercially sensitive information) without consulting or obtaining consent from the Supplier. The Council shall take reasonable steps to notify the Supplier of a Request For Information (in accordance with the Secretary of State's section 45 Code of Practice on the Discharge of the Functions of Public Authorities under Part 1 of the FOIA) to the extent that it is permissible and reasonably practical for it to do so but (notwithstanding any other provision in this Contract) the Council shall be responsible for determining in its absolute discretion whether any commercially sensitive information and/or any other information is exempt from disclosure in accordance with the FOIA and/or the EIRs

## **23. Confidentiality**

23.1. Subject to condition 23.2, the parties shall keep confidential all matters relating to this Contract and shall use all reasonable endeavours to prevent their Representatives from making any disclosure to any person of any matters relating hereto.

23.2. Condition 23.1 shall not apply to any disclosure of information:

- 23.2.1. required by any applicable law, provided that condition 20 shall apply to any disclosures required under the FOIA or the EIRs;
- 23.2.2. that is reasonably required by persons engaged by a party in the performance of such party's obligations under this Contract;
- 23.2.3. where a party can demonstrate that such information is already generally available and in the public domain otherwise than as a result of a breach of condition 23.1;

- 23.2.4. by the Council of any document to which it is a party and which the parties to this Contract have agreed contains no commercially sensitive information;
  - 23.2.5. to enable a determination to be made under condition 11;
  - 23.2.6. which is already lawfully in the possession of the receiving party, prior to its disclosure by the disclosing party;
  - 23.2.7. by the Council to any other department, office or agency of the Government;  
and
  - 23.2.8. by the Council relating to this Contract and in respect of which the Supplier has given its prior written consent to disclosure
- 23.3. On or before the expiry or termination of the Contract the Supplier shall ensure that all documents and/or computer records in its possession, custody or control which relate to personal information of the Council's employees, rate-payers or service users, are delivered up to the Council or securely destroyed

## **24. Indemnity**

- 24.1. The Supplier shall indemnify and keep indemnified the Authority against all actions, proceedings, costs, claims, demands, liabilities, losses and expenses whatsoever whether arising in tort (including negligence) default or breach of this Agreement, to the extent that any such loss or claim is due to the breach of contract, negligence, wilful default or fraud of itself or of its employees or of any of its Representatives or sub-contractors save to the extent that the same is directly caused by or directly arises from the negligence, breach of this Agreement or applicable law by the Authority or its Representatives (excluding any Supplier's Personnel).
- 24.2. The Supplier shall be liable for and shall indemnify the Council against any liability, loss, claim or proceedings whatsoever arising under any statute or at common law in respect of personal injury to or death of any person whomsoever arising out of or in the course of or caused by the carrying out of the Works unless due to any act or neglect of the Council, or of any person for whom the Council is responsible. Without prejudice to his liability to indemnify the Council, the Supplier shall maintain and shall cause any Sub Contractor to maintain such insurances as are necessary to cover the liability of the Supplier or, as the case may be, of such Sub Contractor in respect of personal injuries or deaths arising out of or in the course of or caused by the carrying out of the Works.
- 24.3. The Supplier shall be liable for and indemnify the Council against and insure and cause any Sub Contractor to insure against any expense liability, loss, claim or proceedings in respect of any damage whatsoever to any real or personal property to an amount not less than £10,000,000 for any one occurrence insofar as such damage arises out of or in the course of or by reason of the carrying out of the works and is due to any negligence, omission or default of the Supplier or any person for whom the Supplier is responsible or of any Sub Contractor or person for whom the Sub Contractor is responsible.

## **25. Termination for Breach**

25.1. The following obligations are conditions of the Order and any breach of them shall be deemed a fundamental breach which shall determine the Order immediately and the rights and liabilities of the party not at fault shall then be determined

25.1.1. Failure on the part of the Supplier to observe any obligation(s) under the Order or these conditions

25.1.2. The levying of any distress or execution against the Supplier or the making by him of any composition or arrangement with creditors or being a company in bankruptcy/liquidation in accordance with the terms of condition 14

## **26. Termination on Notice**

26.1. This Contract may be terminated:

26.1.1. at any time and without notice by the agreement of both Parties; or

26.1.2. by the Authority giving not less than six months' notice in writing for reasons of convenience.

## **27. Severance**

27.1. If any provision or part-provision of this Contract is or becomes invalid, illegal or unenforceable, it shall be deemed modified to the minimum extent necessary to make it valid, legal and enforceable. If such modification is not possible, the relevant provision or part-provision shall be deemed deleted. Any modification to or deletion of a provision or part-provision under this condition shall not affect the validity and enforceability of the rest of this Agreement.

27.2. If one party gives notice to the other of the possibility that any provision or part-provision of this Agreement is invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the parties shall negotiate in good faith to amend such provision so that, as amended, it is legal, valid and enforceable, and, to the greatest extent possible, achieves the intended commercial result of the original provision

27.3. If in the Council's reasonable opinion the effect of such a declaration is to defeat the original intention of the parties the Council shall be entitled to terminate the Order by 14 days' written notice to the Supplier

## **28. Notice**

28.1. Any notice given to a party under or in connection with this contract shall be in writing marked for the attention of the party's Authorised Representative and shall be delivered by hand or by pre-paid first-class post or other next working day delivery service at its registered office (if a company) or its principal place of business (in any other case); as detailed in the Order.

28.2. Any notice shall be deemed to have been received:

28.2.1. if delivered by hand, on signature of a delivery receipt;

28.2.2. if sent by pre-paid first-class post or other next working day delivery service, at 9.00 am on the second Working Day after posting or at the time recorded by the delivery service

28.3. For the purpose of this condition 'writing' shall not include email.

## **29. Third Parties**

29.1. The parties hereby declare that no term of the Contract or Order is intended by the parties to confer a benefit on any third party (as defined by the Contracts (Right of Third Parties) Act 1999) nor is intended to be enforceable by any third party. The provisions of the said Act are hereby excluded

## **30. Law and Jurisdiction**

30.1. This Contract and any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with it or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims) shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of England and Wales.

30.2. Each party irrevocably agrees that the courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with this Agreement or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims)