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Description:	Professional Services Procurement Spend

Request: (As Redacted sent by requestor)

I am writing to ask that you please provide me with the spend for your Professional Services procurement at the Authority, by which I mean the procurement of projects and consultancy through Statement of Work excluding temporary agency staff.

- What have you spent on Professional Services over the last 12 months?
- What did the authority spend on professional Services Between April 2019 and March 2020?
- Between April 2019 and March 2020, which categories had the highest level of spend throughout that period?
- Has the authority planned any large construction-based projects over the next two years?
- If you have got construction projects planned, please could you provide project details, budget and timeframes?
- What is the Councils current process to engage with professional service providers? Please could you provide details of the process and name third parties if they are being used.

Response: (Response as Redacted sent by service)

- What have you spent on Professional Services over the last 12 months?
 - Revenue expenditure on professional services between November 2019 and October 2020 was £2,148,994. We do not hold this data for capital expenditure as it is not categorised in this way.
- What did the authority spend on professional Services Between April 2019 and March 2020?
 - Revenue expenditure was £3,520,603. We do not hold this data for capital expenditure as it is not categorised in this way.
- Between April 2019 and March 2020, which categories had the highest level of spend throughout that period?
 - Contractors Payments (£1,433,410) and Grounds Maintenance Contract Payments (£1,308,408)

- Has the authority planned any large construction-based projects over the next two years?
 Yes
- If you have got construction projects planned, please could you provide project details, budget and timeframes?

Directors Arms/ Cranes Way Site, Borehamwood - In planning for 52 New Build Dwellings. No further details available at this stage.

St Johns Church, Radlett - Planning Permission granted for a new church and 6 units of affordable housing. Works due to start July 2021.

Orchard Close, Radlett- 3 x 1 bed, 4 x 2 beds, project tendered award pending. Tendered on HBC construction framework.

Eldon Avenue, Borehamwood - 11 x 2 bed, project tendered award pending. Tendered on HBC construction framework.

Garage refurbishments to various sites- No further details available at this stage.

Rossington Avenue and Croxdale Road, Borehamwood - Replacement roof coverings. No further details available at this stage.

• What is the Councils current process to engage with professional service providers? Please could you provide details of the process and name third parties if they are being used.

Our contract procurement rules set out the process and can be found here: <u>https://www.hertsmere.gov.uk/Documents/02-Business/Tenders--Contracts/Contract-Procedure-</u> <u>Rules-Updated-March-2020.pdf</u> All procurements, with a value greater than £10,000 must be undertaken using the E Procurement portal:

www.supplyhertfordshire.uk

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Thank you for your request.

Kind regards Information Services

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