

FOI number: **HBC\_FOI\_20210065**  
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Department: **Business Rates**  
Title: **Outsourcing of Business Rate billing**  
Description: **Outsourcing of Business Rate billing**

**Request: (As Redacted sent by requestor)**

In accordance with the provisions specified within the above Act I hereby request the following information regarding the outsourcing of the following functions to third parties. Results are to include all external parties including outsourcing companies, group authorities and local government partnerships. In each instance, where relevant, please state the period in which each function was outsourced within the last 5 years.

- Production and Issuing of Annual Non Domestic Rates Bills
- Production and Issuing of Reminders, Final Notice and Summons
- Property Inspections
- Production and Issuing of Completion Notices
- Production and Issuing of Billing Authority requests to VOA to update rating list

**Response: (Response as Redacted sent by service)**

None of the above functions are or have been outsourced in the previous 5 years.

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Please include the above reference number on all correspondence related to this request.

Thank you for your request.

Kind regards  
Information Services

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