

Subject: Freedom of Information Request – Total Workforce Solution HTE or RM6281 Workforce Alliance Framework for Social Services (Lot 4)

Dear Haydon Wick Parish Council,

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I am seeking information on the council's use of the RM6281 Workforce Alliance framework, specifically about Lot 4 (Social Services). Please respond to the following questions:

As a Parish Council, Haydon Wick Parish Council does not provide any clinical or healthcare staff. The Council does not hold any power or duty to provide any form of social care and therefore it does not use the RM6281 Workforce Alliance framework.

1. **Framework Usage Confirmation:**
 - Does the council use the RM6281 framework or Total Workforce Solutions HTE specifically for social services needs under Lot 4? [No](#)
2. **Current Approved Suppliers (Lot 4 - Social Services):**
 - How many suppliers are currently approved to supply social services under Lot 4 in the RM6281 framework as of 30th October 2024? [None](#)
3. **Preferred Supplier List (PSL) for Social Services:**
 - Could you provide the names of all agencies on the council's Preferred Supplier List (PSL) for Lot 4 under RM6281, along with the respective tiers or rankings assigned to each? [Not applicable](#)
4. **Onboarding Process for Suppliers:**
 - What is the process for new suppliers to join the council's PSL under Lot 4 of RM6281? [Not applicable](#)
 - Are there specific criteria or requirements that agencies must meet to be approved for social services provision? [Not applicable](#)
5. **Contact Information for Onboarding:**
 - Please provide the name, role, and contact details (email and postal address) of the individual responsible for onboarding or coordinating new suppliers under Lot 4 (Social Services) of RM6281. [Not applicable](#)
6. **Areas of Demand and Unmet Demand:**
 - What specific areas of social services (within Lot 4) does the council currently have high demand or unmet demand? [Not applicable](#)
 - Are there specific roles or services within Lot 4 that the council urgently needs to fill? [No](#)
7. **Turnaround Time for Supplier Sign-Up:**
 - What is the expected turnaround time from initial contact to full onboarding for new suppliers under Lot 4 (Social Services)? [Not applicable](#)
 - How quickly could an approved framework supplier begin providing services if they meet the necessary criteria? [Not applicable](#)
8. **Framework Adherence and Compliance:**
 - Has the council fully transitioned to using RM6281 for all social services staffing needs? [Not applicable](#)
 - Can the council confirm adherence to the guidance provided in Framework Schedule 7 for selecting and managing suppliers? [Not applicable](#)
9. **Supplier Selection Process:**
 - Does the council use Direct Award or Further Competition to select suppliers for Lot 4 social services? [Not applicable](#)
 - What specific criteria are used to assess and select suppliers, and is the Most Economically Advantageous Tender (MEAT) principle applied? [Not applicable](#)
10. **Audit Trail for Contract Awards:**
 - Could you provide documentation or an outline of the audit trail for how contract awards are made under RM6281 for Lot 4 (Social Services)? [Not applicable](#)
 - This should align with the RM6281 Framework Schedule 7, emphasizing transparency, fair selection, and a documented process for contract awards. [Not applicable](#)
11. **Neutral or Master Vendor Information (if applicable):**
 - If the council outsources to a neutral or master vendor for social services, please provide the vendor's name, contact person, email, and office address. [Not applicable](#)
12. **Clarification on FOI Response:**
 - We have reviewed the council's FOI resources but could not locate this information. If any part of these questions is unclear or incomplete, we kindly request a full response or guidance on where to find the relevant information.

Thank you for your assistance with this request. If any part of this request exceeds the cost limits set under Section 12, please advise on how to refine the scope. I look forward to your response within the statutory 20 working days.

Yours sincerely,
Paul Jones