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I refer to your email dated 5th July 2023 in which you asked for information regarding maintenance contracts for the Public Prosecution Service (PPS). Your request has been dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Freedom of Information Act 2000

The Freedom of Information Act creates rights of access for any person making a request for information to a public authority. The rights of access are twofold. First, to be informed by the public authority if it holds information of the description specified in the request, and if that is the case, secondly, to be provided with that information. These rights are subject to important limitations, which are designed to achieve a proper balance between the right to know and considerations of law and policy in the broader public interest.

You had asked the following:

“Please can you provide me with information concerning the maintenance of your corporate estate i.e. operational buildings, land and any other property (e.g. investment) and schools, if they are within your jurisdiction. Not any social housing/dwellings.

- 1) What type of maintenance management model does your organisation use? E.g. Managed supply-chain, single hard-fm & soft-fm contractor, internal workforce, principal contractor etc.*
- 2) Can you provide a list of the approved contractors used?*
- 3) What are the total values of contracts granted?*
- 4) When do these contracts expire?*
- 5) What services are provided in each contract?*
- 6) What procurement method was used? E.g. Open ITT, Framework if so, which one?”*

In response to all questions, please be advised maintenance for the PPS is carried out under a Northern Ireland Civil Service (NICS) wide contract managed by Construction

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and Procurement Delivery (CPD), Department of Finance (DoF). Therefore, in terms of the Freedom of Information Act, I can confirm that under Section 1(1)(a) of the Act we do not hold the information you have requested.

If you are dissatisfied in any way with the handling of your request, you have the right to request a review in accordance with our review procedure. You should do this as soon as possible or in any case within two months of the date of this response and you can do so by writing to the Head of Policy and Information, Public Prosecution Service, Belfast Chambers, 93 Chichester Street, BELFAST, BT1 3JR or alternatively by sending an e-mail to info@ppsni.gov.uk. You should state clearly the grounds on which you are requesting the review.

Alternatively, you may wish to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
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Yours sincerely,

PPS
Information Management Team