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	<p>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:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Framework Usage Confirmation:<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. Does the council use the RM6281 framework or Total Workforce Solutions HTE specifically for social services needs under Lot 4?2. Current Approved Suppliers (Lot 4 - Social Services):<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. How many suppliers are currently approved to supply social services under Lot 4 in the RM6281 framework as of 30th October 2024?3. Preferred Supplier List (PSL) for Social Services:<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. 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?4. Onboarding Process for Suppliers:<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. What is the process for new suppliers to join the council's PSL under Lot 4 of RM6281?b. Are there specific criteria or requirements that agencies must meet to be approved for social services provision?5. Contact Information for Onboarding:<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. 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 RM6281.6. Areas of Demand and Unmet Demand:<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. What specific areas of social services (within Lot 4) does the council currently have high demand or unmet demand?b. Are there specific roles or services within Lot 4 that the council urgently needs to fill?	<p>Wigan Council do not use the RM6281 framework or Total Workforce Solutions HTE for the supply of Social Care staffing.</p>

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| <p>7. Turnaround Time for Supplier Sign-Up:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. What is the expected turnaround time from initial contact to full onboarding for new suppliers under Lot 4 (Social Services)?b. How quickly could an approved framework supplier begin providing services if they meet the necessary criteria? <p>8. Framework Adherence and Compliance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Has the council fully transitioned to using RM6281 for all social services staffing needs?b. Can the council confirm adherence to the guidance provided in Framework Schedule 7 for selecting and managing suppliers? <p>9. Supplier Selection Process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Does the council use Direct Award or Further Competition to select suppliers for Lot 4 social services?b. What specific criteria are used to assess and select suppliers, and is the Most Economically Advantageous Tender (MEAT) principle applied? <p>10. Audit Trail for Contract Awards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Could you provide documentation or an outline of the audit trail for how contract awards are made under RM6281 for Lot 4 (Social Services)?b. This should align with the RM6281 Framework Schedule 7, emphasizing transparency, fair selection, and a documented process for contract awards. <p>11. Neutral or Master Vendor Information (if applicable):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. 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. <p>12. Clarification on FOI Response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. 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. | |
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