

## INFORMATION RELEASED UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

Information released title	Information relating to Lifelong Learning UK's License
Original request	Please provide all recorded information held by the UK Commission for Employment and Skills, including any reports to Government, any Committee, any Sub-Committee, or panel minutes, notes of meetings, briefing notes, letters, emails, general correspondence and other documentation relating to the renewal of the License. Please state what recorded information is held by the Commission and make copies of all recorded information available.
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Requester type	Sector Skills Council

### Information released:

From our preliminary assessment, due to the broad nature of your request, it is our view that compliance with your request would significantly exceed the appropriate costs limit under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which is £450, and we are therefore at liberty to decline your request under section 12 of the Act. The cost of identifying, locating and retrieving all information we hold which is relevant to the renewal of the licence for LLUK would involve reviewing in excess of a thousand documents and potentially many more e-mails. These documents do not necessarily contain only information about LLUK and we would therefore have to review each one to identify whether it included any confidential information about another SSC. It is very difficult to put an estimate on how much this would cost, but it would clearly involve substantial staff time and certainly more than the two and a half days set out in the Act.

I can confirm that we do hold information relating to LLUK which consists of, but not limited to, funding and contracts, performance and development, relicensing, SSC footprint and other reference information. We do not hold information obtained by the National Audit Office from stakeholders and employers.

Notwithstanding the time and effort required to identify, locate, retrieve and extract information, we do want to ensure that you have the all the information which might be relevant to the conduct of your client's appeal and therefore we now enclose two additional documents which the relicensing panel received prior to reaching it's recommendation. These documents comprise the briefing paper provided to the panel and an earlier version of the indicative scoring framework. LLUK has already received copies of the final scoring framework, the NAO report and notes of site visits relevant to the relicensing process.

Please note that with disclosure of these two documents LLUK now has all material accessible to the relicensing panel.

If you decided that you still wanted to pursue disclosure of further information it would be necessary to be much more precise, so that we could more easily identify and retrieve the relevant documents.

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If you wish to view the documents, please contact [lisa.race@ukces.org.uk](mailto:lisa.race@ukces.org.uk)