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Request:

I am emailing to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. My request relates to alternative delivery models used by the council as of September 17, 2019. Specifically, can you list:

(1) All Local Authority Trading Companies owned by the authority, including the following details:

- (a) The name of the company
- (b) Company number
- (c) Date of incorporation
- (d) Services provided/purpose

(2) All Public Service Mutuals (PSM) connected to the authority, including the following details:

- (a) The name of the PSM
- (b) The date it was created
- (c) Any other stakeholders formally involved
- (d) Services provided/purpose

(3) All outsourced services, including the following details:

- (a) The name of the service
- (b) The date on which it was outsourced
- (c) The organisation(s) that operates the contract
- (d) The length of the contract
- (e) The annual cost to the council of the contract

(4) All joint ventures entered into by the authority, including the following details:

- (a) The name of the venture
- (b) The date on which it began
- (c) The other organisation(s) involved
- (d) The services provided/purpose

Response:

Thank you for your information request which Mid and East Antrim Borough Council (MEABC) received on 17 September 2019.

Please find below and attached MEABCs response.

Mid and East Antrim Borough Council attach the answers to Q3 and 4. MEABC do not hold any information in relation to Q1 and 2.

Please note, we have been unable to provide the exact annual value of the contracts due to Section 43(2) of the Freedom of Information Act. Section 43(2) exempts information whose disclosure would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person (an individual, a company, the public authority itself or any other legal entity). The release of this information would adversely impact the commercial interests of our suppliers.

Figures have been provided in three brackets, 0-49,999, 50,000-99,999 and 100k+.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of part of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to the Chief Executive at the Braid Ballymena Town Hall, 1-29 Bridge Street, Ballymena, BT43 5EJ.

Please remember to quote the reference number FOI/228/1920 in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of an internal review, you have the right 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, SK9 5AF.

Please be advised that Mid and East Antrim Borough Council may release the response to this information request into the public domain via our website at <https://www.midandeastantrim.gov.uk/>.

If we publish our response to your request, your personal data will be removed to protect your privacy.