

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION QUARTERLY REPORT

1st October - 31st December 2023

| Object Number | Summary of enquiry | Response and Exemptions |
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| FOI/2023/0089 | <p>I would like to request the following information starting from 21 April 1998:</p> <p>How many times requests have been made about His Most Sacred Majesty King George III? What was the nature of the requests? What details were sent out via email or post regarding His Most Sacred Majesty King George III?</p> | No info held |
| FOI/2023/0088 | <p>1. In the past ten years, how many items from your museums have been identified as 'missing' or how many items do you have whose whereabouts is officially unknown.</p> <p>1b) Of these, how many items have been officially recognised as 'stolen'</p> <p>2. In the past five years, how many items from your museums have been identified as 'missing' or how many items do you have whose whereabouts are officially unknown</p> <p>2b. Of those in question 2, how many of these items are officially considered 'stolen'</p> <p>3) In the past two years, how many items from your museums have been identified as 'missing' or how many items do you have whose whereabouts are officially unknown</p> <p>3b) of these in question 3, how many of these items are officially considered 'stolen'</p> | information provided |

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| FOI/20 23/008 7 | Copies of all sponsorship agreements that have been signed by the Science Museum Group since 1 January 2022 | s.40 and s.43 |
| FOI/20 23/008 6 | <p>1) Does the Science Museum Group have a current corporate partnership or sponsorship agreement in place with the oil and gas company BP?</p> <p>If yes, please provide a copy of that formal contract or agreement with BP. If that document does not include the following information, please confirm separately:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. the start and end dates of any such agreement; b. any benefits afforded to BP as part of that agreement; c. any amounts paid by BP to the Science Museum Group as part of that agreement. <p>2) If the answer to (1) is no - that the Science Museum Group does not have a current corporate partnership or sponsorship agreement in place with the oil and gas company BP - please provide the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. a copy of the Science Museum Group's most recent contract or agreement with BP; b. the date on which the last partnership with BP formally ended; and b. copies of any correspondence between the Science Museum Group and BP which refer to, or discuss, the conclusion of that partnership, such as the decision not to renew the partnership or one of the parties seeking to end the partnership. | s.40 and s.43 |
| FOI/20 23/008 5 | <p>Data and Information Officer</p> <p>I am currently embarking on a research project around Cyber Security and was hoping you could provide me with some contract information relating to following information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standard Firewall (Network) - Firewall service protects your corporate Network from unauthorised access and other Internet security threats 2. Anti-virus Software Application - Anti-virus software is a program or set of programs that are designed to prevent, search for, detect, and remove software viruses, and other malicious software like worms, trojans, adware, and more. 3. Microsoft Enterprise Agreement - is a volume licensing package offered by Microsoft. <p>The information I require is around the procurement side and we do not require any specifics (serial numbers, models, location) that could bring threat/harm to the organisation.</p> <p>For each of the different types of cyber security services can you please provide me with:</p> | s.31, s.38, s.40 and s.43 |

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| | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Who is the existing supplier for this contract? 2. What does the organisation annually spend for each of the contracts? 3. What is the description of the services provided for each contract? 4. Primary Brand (ONLY APPLIES TO CONTRACT 1&2) 5. What is the expiry date of each contract? 6. What is the start date of each contract? 7. What is the contract duration of contract? 8. The responsible contract officer for each of the contracts above? Full name, job title, contact number and direct email address. 9. Number of Licenses (ONLY APPLIES TO CONTRACT 3) | |
| FOI/2023/0084 | <p>I've come across an article below which identifies that asbestos was sealed in the power car of the APT-E in 2021 – if possible, could I have copies of any relevant documents regarding asbestos present on the APT-E / the encapsulation of asbestos on the APT-E please?</p> <p>https://www.pressreader.com/uk/heritage-railway/20210706/282260963451764</p> | s.40 |
| FOI/2023/0056/001 | <p>I would like to exercise my right to an internal review. This is because I contest the results of the Public Interest Test that you have carried out, for the following reasons:</p> <p>The information I asked you to provide in my original FOI request is the same information you were requested to provide in two previous FOI requests, dated 2018 and 2013:</p> <p>https://eur02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.whatdotheyknow.com%2Frequest%2Fimages_sales_3%23incoming-1097943&data=05%7C01%7Cfreedomofinformation%40sciencemuseum.ac.uk%7C80bc677cbb124c5f878108dbca8c8391%7Ce967bcc0c07041c89f7e806069f6330b%7C1%7C0%7C638326477120093510%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljojMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6Ikk1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=uk%2BpBVHt4FEwAaGgtHM3yECeQqS%2FjXcDTWfCyyImilk%3D&reserved=0</p> <p>https://eur02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.whatdotheyknow.com%2Frequest%2Fimages_sales%23incoming-423463&data=05%7C01%7Cfreedomofinformation%40sciencemuseum.ac.uk%7C80bc677cbb124c5f878108dbca8c8391%7Ce967bcc0c07041c89f7e806069f6330b%7C1%7C0%7C638326477120093510%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljojMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6Ikk1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=TmvQquHq%2FscMoVyH4JspgOXoOdWUeErLcplOI7XGIJE%3D&reserved=0</p> | upheld - s.43 |

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| | <p>On both occasions, you provided the information requested in the FOI request.</p> <p>Providing this information was not seen by you to prejudice the commercial interests of SMG in either 2018 or 2013 — so why has this changed now? In your response to my request you have not explained why s.43(2) has become relevant in relation to this information now, when it was not relevant in either 2018 or 2013.</p> <p>As per the ICO, there is a public interest in promoting transparency about public institutions.</p> <p>Without an understanding of what has changed between 2018 and now, I suggest that SMG does not have recourse to exercise an exemption to the free access to this information as set out by the FOIA (2000).</p> <p>I look forward to your response, either with the full information originally requested, or with a full explanation as to why s.43(2) can now be invoked when it could not in the past.</p> <p>A full history of my FOI request and all correspondence is available on the Internet at this address: https://eur02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.whatdotheyknow.com%2Frequest%2Fsmg_image_licensing_department_i&data=05%7C01%7Cfreedomofinformation%40sciencemuseum.ac.uk%7C80bc677cbb124c5f878108dbca8c8391%7Ce967bcc0c07041c89f7e806069f6330b%7C1%7C0%7C638326477120093510%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljoImC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6IjEhaWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=pp6CXdwdZtvrNk7y0f%2FpVck92sUZNFJqmC162uK05Pw%3D&reserved=0</p> | |
| <p>FOI/20 23/008 3</p> | <p>I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information for the Project - Solar Scales & Balancing the Grid_Interactive Exhibits, Notice Reference - IT-492-1288-SCM2960M</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copy of successful tender (by removing confidential information) 2. Scoring table of all bidders, split by scores awarded for each question of bid. 3. Approximate date that the tender will be reissued towards the end of the current contract period. 4. How many bidders submitted responses? 5. Name of all bidders who submitted responses. 6. Rank of all bidders who submitted responses | <p>s.43</p> |
| <p>FOI/20 23/008 2</p> | <p>Please provide in list format:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The name of every item/object registered as missing from the Science Museum Group 2) The date the Science Museum Group obtained the above items | <p>informati on provided</p> |

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| | <p>3) The date the Science Museum Group recorded the items as missing</p> <p>4) If applicable, the price the Science Museum Group paid for the above items.</p> | |
| FOI/2023/0081 | Please provide a full list of items registered as missing from any museum collection under your purview. Please include a description of the item, details of which month of which year the item was registered as missing, which collection it was registered as missing from, the original value of purchase of the item, the estimated value of the item at the point it went missing, and whether the item was then found. | information provided |
| FOI/2023/0080 | <p>1. Copies of correspondence between the Science Museum Group and Equinor with the purposes of planning a 'Meet the Funder' session for staff at the Science Museum Group on 2nd October 2023. However, if other topics are discussed within those documents, please provide them in full.</p> <p>2. Copies of any emails or other communications sent to staff at the Science Museum Group advertising or promoting the 'Meet the Funder' session with Equinor on 2nd October 2023.</p> <p>3. Copies of any agenda, presentation slides or notes created in relation to the 'Meet the Funder' session with Equinor on 2nd October 2023.</p> <p>4. Lastly, were staff able to ask questions directly to Equinor during the session on the 2nd October 2023? If yes, please provide copies of (a) any questions that were submitted if done so electronically, (b) a summary of the topics/themes of any questions asked orally during the session and (c) Equinor's responses to them. Please also confirm whether questions were moderated or approved before being put to representatives of Equinor. You can limit any searches for information to the period since May 2023.</p> | s.31 and s.40 |
| FOI/2023/0079 | Any correspondence, which have taken place during the period Jan-April 2023, between any of the Science Museum Group Trustees and Ian Blatchford (or others on his Director team e.g. PA/ Administrator) discussing the Hindenburg Report on Adani. | s.40 |
| FOI/2023/0069/001 | <p>Internal Review, regarding the section 31 exemption, I do not believe a security threat to be valid from the information requested. Much more detailed information would be considered to increase vulnerability I am sure, such as product serial numbers, usernames, and passwords, etc; but I fail to see how disclosing the information I have requested could pose a threat to the cyber security of the organisation. How does the name of the supplier come under this exemption?</p> <p>Regarding the Section 43 exemption on the annual spend of the contracts, the information I have requested is an average spend for each supplier annually, not an accurate breakdown of the spend down to per module/licence etc. I believe that the Organisation should release this information, as I think the commercial sensitivity is reduced due to it not being a complete breakdown of the services. I feel that the information I have requested is not necessarily sensitive and does not outweigh the public interest. I would like to submit an internal review for both of these exemptions?</p> | upheld - s.31 and s.43 |

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| FOI/20 23/008 7/001 | Internal Review - There seems to be unnecessary redactions in this document such as the date. If you could come back with documents that have been redacted in a more reasonable way I would be grateful. | s.43 |
| FOI/20 23/008 9/001 | Internal Review - More information on King George III requests | Info not held |
| FOI/20 23/009 0 | How many cyber attacks has your institution experienced between January 1 2019 and October 31 2023? Please break this down per calendar year. What was the nature of these cyber attacks? I.e. malware, spyware, phishing attacks etc. | s.31 and s.38 |
| FOI/20 23/009 1 | <p>Dear Science Museum Group,</p> <p>1. Does your organisation use any applications or software to record Record of Processing Activity (ROPA)?</p> <p>If so, please state the product name(s) and version numbers(s) (if known)</p> <p>2. Does your organisation use any applications or software to support preparation for, or maintenance of ISO 27001 and/or ISO 27701 compliance?</p> <p>If so, please state the product name(s) and version numbers(s) (if known)</p> <p>3. Does your organisation use any applications or software associated with data breach management?</p> <p>4. Does your organisation use any applications or software associated with Freedom of Information management?</p> <p>If so, please state the product name(s) and version numbers(s) (if known)</p> <p>5. Does your organisation use any applications or software for Policy Management?</p> <p>If so, please state the product name(s) and version numbers(s) (if known)</p> <p>6. Does your organisation use any eLearning for Data Protection and Security Awareness?</p> <p>If so, please state the product name(s) and version numbers(s) (if known)</p> | s.43 |

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| | <p>7. Has your organisation reviewed / explored the market regarding the provision of technology which supports the delivery of Information Governance functions?</p> <p>If yes - please specify what actions have been taken?</p> <p>If no - does your organisation have any plans to review / explore this market in the next 3 years?</p> <p>8. Has your organisation allocated budget / financial resources regarding the commissioning / procurement of technology which supports the delivery of Information Governance functions?</p> <p>If yes - please specify what actions have been taken?</p> <p>If no - does your organisation have any plans to allocate budget / financial resources in the next 3 years?</p> <p>9. Has your organisation developed a business case (outline or otherwise) regarding the commissioning / procurement of technology which supports the delivery of Information Governance functions?</p> <p>If yes - please specify what actions have been taken?</p> <p>If no - does your organisation have any plans to develop a business case in the next 3 years?</p> <p>10. Will there be any opportunities to engage with your organisation regarding the commissioning / procurement of technology which supports the delivery of Information Governance function in the next three years?</p> | |
| FOI/20 23/009 2 | I am writing to you requesting a copy of the Conflict of Interest Register outlining all representatives of SMG, paid or otherwise, that have registered a conflict of interest as stated in the Groups Ethics Policy, March 2022 from February 2022 to September 2023. | s.40 |
| FOI/20 23/009 3 | <p>I request that you confirm whether you hold any of the following information and disclose copies of any relevant materials within the scope of this request.</p> <p>1. As part of its ongoing due diligence and assessment of the Adani Group and Adani Group companies, did the Science Museum Group identify, assess or scrutinise Adani's involvement in aerospace, defence and arms-related business activity?</p> <p>If yes, please provide copies of any relevant documents, such as reports or associated emails.</p> | s.40 and s.43 |

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| | <p>2. Please confirm whether any of the following business activity by Adani has been identified or acknowledged at any stage of the ongoing due diligence process undertaken by the Science Museum Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adani's stake in PLR Systems - Adani's ownership of Haifa port - Adani's joint running of an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle manufacturing complex with the arms producer Elbit - Adani and Elbit's agreement to setup a Design and Development Centre focussed on co-developing defence technologies <p>If yes, please confirm in each case, and also disclose relevant recorded materials demonstrating if and how this was the case.</p> <p>3. If the answer to any part of (2) is yes, please confirm whether any of those concerns were formally referred to or escalated to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Director - Internal Partnerships Panel - The Board of Trustees <p>4. Does the Science Museum Group hold copies of any correspondence with the Adani Group, or internally among Science Museum Group staff, which have referred to Adani's involvement in any of the business activity specified in (2), that has been sent since the beginning of October 2023?</p> | |
| FOI/20 23/009 4 | <p>This is a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. I would like to request the following information:</p> <p>1) All internal correspondence and communications from the senior management or governance committees of the Science Museum Group which mentions, or refers to, Equinor.</p> <p>2) All external correspondence and communications between the Science Museum Group and Equinor.</p> <p>I would like all correspondence sent or received between 1st March 2023 to present day.</p> <p>The definition of correspondence and communications includes (but is not limited to) e-mails, notes of phone calls, and minutes of in-person or virtual meetings between the two parties.</p> | s.40 and s.43 |
| FOI/20 23/009 5 | <p>If you could provide us with the number of attendees of the Turn it Up: The Power of Music Exhibition at the Science and Industry Museum (Manchester)</p> | informati on provided |

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| FOI/2023/0096 | I'm trying to get the figure for the number of items that are missing/stolen – and what they are? | information provided |
| FOI/2023/0097 | Under the freedom of information act could you please provide me with a breakdown of all payments and salary made to science museum group directors for the last 12 months. | s.40 |
| FOI/2023/0098 | This is an information request relating to posters paid for by the trust in the last 3 financial years, and the current year to date (2019,20 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23). Please include the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • total amount and cost of all posters paid for by the trust which are used in the hospitals, clinics, offices and other buildings of the trust. • the total number of posters in foreign languages paid for by the trust • the total cost of foreign language posters | information provided |
| FOI/2023/0101 | 1. The number of artefacts, artworks and items reported missing or stolen from all attractions run by your organisation during the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23 broken down by: 1. Country of origin 2. Date of construction or Historic era 3. Exhibit or display 4. Date of reported missing 5. Outcome of investigation | information provided |
| FOI/2023/0100 | We kindly request the following details regarding the National Railway Museum of York: 1) Total square meters of the museum space 2) Year of construction 3) Total construction cost of the museum | Clarification requested - no response |
| FOI/2023/0099 | This is a request for information that relates to the organisation's contracts around ICT contract(s) for Server Hardware Maintenance, Server Virtualisation Licenses and Maintenance and Storage Area Network (SAN) Maintenance/Support, which may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Server Hardware Maintenance- contracts relating to the support and maintenance of the organisation's physical servers. • Virtualisation Maintenance/Support/ Licensing (VMware, Solaris, Unix, Linux, Windows Server) • Storage Area Network Maintenance/Support (EMC, NetApp etc) | s.31, s.38, s.40 and s.43 |

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| | <p>For each of the types of contract described above, please can you provide me with the following data. If there is more than one contract please split the information for each separate supplier this includes annual spend</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Contract Title: Please provide me with the contract title. 2. Type of Contracts (ABOVE): Please can you provide me with one or more contract types the contract relates to: Server Hardware, Virtualisation, SAN (Storage Area Network) 3. Existing/Current Supplier: Please provide me with the supplier name for each contract. 4. Brand: Please state the brand of hardware or software 5. Operating System / Software (Platform): (Windows, Linux, Unix, Vsphere, AIX, Solaris etc.) Please state the operating system used by the organisation. 6. Annual Average Spend: Please provide me with the most recent annual spend for this contract? 7. Contract Duration: (Please can you also include notes if the contract includes any contract Extension periods.) 8. Contract Expiry Date: Please can you provide me with the date of when the contract expires. 9. Contract Review Date: (An approximate date of when the organisation is planning to review this particular contract.) 10. Purchase of Servers: Could you please provide me with the month and year in which most/bulk of servers were purchased. 11. Number of Physical Server: Please can you provide me with the number of physical servers. 12. Number of Virtual Servers: Please can you provide me with the number of Virtual servers 13. Brief Contract Description: I require a brief description of the service provided under this contract. Please do not just put maintenance. I need at least a sentence. 14. Contract Owner: (The person from within the organisation that is responsible for reviewing and renewing this particular contract. Please include their full name, job title, direct contact number and direct email address.) | |
| <p>FOI/2023/0090/001</p> | <p>Internal Review - FOI/2023/0090</p> <p>Firstly, no exemption is blanket, as FOIA is an information regime not a documents or data regime. You must provide at least some information, unless every single piece is exempt, if it is within scope. It is not clear how providing information for question 1 would in any way have the effects asserted, for example, and must be provided.</p> <p>Secondly, to apply a qualified exemption, a public interest test must be conducted and working shown. You appear to have failed to do this, in breach of the freedom of information.</p> <p>You assert that disclosure could "compromise our physical or digital security, and could therefore facilitate the commission of a crime, or impact the health and safety of our staff and visitors" but provide no evidence as to how</p> | <p>Upheld - s.31 and s.38</p> |

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| | <p>providing very broad descriptions of the attacks you faced could have the logical effect of compromising your security, or could harm staff or visitors. This information is not, for example, for detailed information about your security protocols, for which there would be a reasonable case to withhold under section 31.</p> <p>You have also failed to assess the public interest in disclosure, for the inherent interest in transparency, and the specific interest in holding the public authority accountable for its management, in this case, how well it is handling its cyber security in broad terms.</p> | |
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