

Mr. Martin Hughes Clerk to the Committee of Public Accounts

By email only: pac@oireachtas.ie

20 January 2022

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Dear Mr. Hughes,

I refer to your letter of 10th January, 2022 in relation to non-compliance with procurement guidelines in respect of the Prisons Vote.

The attached table has been updated by the Prisons Service to provide additional detail in relation to the reason for non-compliance. It is now the case that contracts are now in place for fourteen of the sixteen contracts in question.

Yours sincerely,

Oonagh McPhillips Secretary General

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Request for additional information relating to non-compliant procurement to the value of €15,520,393 in the Appropriation Account 2020 for the Prisons Vote

No.	Supplier	Subject of Contract	V alue €	Reason for non- compliance	Additional Detail	Current Position - January 2022
1	LMC FM LTD	Facilities Management	5,601,202	Delay - OGP & Partners	Contract Extension - contract extended to ensure essential service provision while tender being progressed in partnership with OGP. The tender process was elongated due to complexity involved as well as legal & technical issues which led to extensive engagement with Chief States Solicitor's Office	Contract in Place
2	CPL HEALTHCARE LIMITED	Locum Nurses	3,084,182	Rollover	Contract Extension - contract extended in order to continue with access to essential Locum Nursing staff while tender process being progressed-particularly in light of the pandemic	Contract in Place
3	LOCUMOTION LTD	Dental & GP Services	1,836,150	Rollover	Contract Extension - contract extended to ensure continued essential service provision. New tender elongated due to detailed consideration of policy for future delivery of GP services. This resulted in a new recruitment process for employed GP's with external supplementary locum support to be continued. Tender was then progressed and completed	Contract in Place
4	BALLYFERMOT PHARMACY LTD	Pharmacy Services	1,200,937	Rollover	Contract Extension - contract extended to ensure continued essential service provision as new tender being progressed	Contract in Place
5	ODYSSEY PROPERTIES LTD	Pharmacy Services	934,808	Rollover	Contract Extension - contract extended to ensure continued essential service provision as new tender being progressed	Contract in Place
6	EIR	Telecommunications	740,590	Rollover	Contract Extension - Contract extended to ensure continued essential service provision as IPS undertook tender on behalf of other Department of Justice Agencies which contributed to a longer than expected tender process	Contract in Place

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7	LMC ENERGY SOLUTIONS LTD	Facilities Management	559,116	Delay - OGP & Partners	Contract Extension - contract extended to ensure essential service provision while tender being progressed in partnership with OGP. The tender process was elongated due to complexity involved as well as legal & technical issues which led to extensive engagement with Chief States Solicitor's Office	Contract in Place
8	MC CABES PHARMACY	Pharmacy Services	451,551	Rollover	Contract Extension - contract extended to ensure continued essential service provision as new tender being progressed	Contract in Place
9	CALL US LIMITED	Prisoner Clothing	377,103	Delay - OGP & Partners	Contract Extension - contract extended to ensure continuity of supply while new OGP led tender progressed - Tenderers could not comply with the specification in the initial competition so needed to be rerun with revised specification which resulted in a delay to process	Contract in Place
10	DUBLIN TUNNEL COMMERCIALS LTD	Fleet Maintenance - Heavy Vehicles	299,854	Rollover	Contract Extension - contract extended to ensure continued service provision due to complexity of IPS requirements - Outcome of Tender led to negotiated procedure which also contributed to delay in contract award	Contract in Place
11	KEY GUARD SECURITY LTD	Security Services	144,035	Delay - OGP & Partners	Contract Extension - contract extended to ensure continued service - tender delayed due to new requirements being identified and the initial tender process by OGP needed to be rerun as a result of technical issues that arose	Contract in Place
12	LLOYDS PHARMACY IRL	Pharmacy Services	93,372	Rollover	Contract Extension - contract extended to ensure continued essential service provision as new tender being progressed	Spec now being finalised - estimated publication date February 2022

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13	EMERALD FACILITY SERVICES	Office Cleaning Services	63,735	Delay - OGP & Partners	Contract Extension - contract was extended due to additional cleaning requirements needed as a result of the pandemic while the new tender was being progressed by OGP	Contract in Place
14	BROOKS TIMBER & BUILDING SUPPLIES LTD	Trades & Workshop Supplies	54,958	Rollover	Contract Extension - contract extended to ensure continued suppllies while new tender being completed	Contract in Place
15	DROMAHAIR VILLAGE PHARMACY LTD	Pharmacy Services	47,253	Rollover	Contract Extension - contract extended to ensure continued essential service provision as new tender being progressed	Spec finalised - estimated publication end January 2022
16	GOLD CROP LTD	Horticulture Supplies	31,746	Rollover	Contract Extension - contract extended to ensure continuity of supply - Expressions of Interest exercise conducted which identified supplier as sole supplier and subsequent tender process then completed	Contract in Place
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