

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

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(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA100220-2455

9 March 2020

Dear ██████████

Freedom of Information request - Ecotricity contract

Thank you for your request for information which the Greater London Authority (GLA) received on 10 February 2020. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested:

*Dear Greater London Authority,
Where was the contract advertised?
Who sat on the selection panel?
What was the GLA looking for in selecting a supplier for example costs, green energy?
Can you publish the business case for selecting them?
Did the company disclose that it's owner was a donor to the Labour Party?*

Our response:

Please find below the information we hold within the scope of your request.

Where was the contract advertised?

I can confirm that the GLA's energy contract is now procured by Laser Energy. LASER Energy is one of the leading energy procurement and energy management service providers in the UK. It aims to help customers to reduce energy costs, manage market risk and conduct OJEU compliant procurement on behalf of a large number of public sector bodies including NHS Trusts, Universities & Colleges, Local Authorities and Housing Associations. LASER Energy is part of the Commercial Services Energy Division, a company wholly owned by Kent County Council. Laser carried out a tender for the procurement of renewable energy for the GLA in 2019.

The current contract runs from 1 April 2019 until 31 March 2020. The GLA used Laser Energy to conduct this procurement for the first time in 2019 to ensure best value for the procurement of renewable energy.

Who sat on the selection panel?,

Tendering was carried out by Laser energy as above. The shortlisted suppliers tender returns were reviewed by a GLA panel made up of The Head of Facilities Management, Facilities Manager Hard Services, Senior Policy Co-ordinator, Policy and Programmes Manager (zero carbon).

What was the GLA looking for in selecting a supplier for example costs, green energy?

Supply of 100% renewable electricity

Can you publish the business case for selecting them?

They offered the lowest price. The GLA decided to review the contract on a year by year basis to ensure best value.

Did the company disclose that it's owner was a donor to the Labour Party?

No

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference MGLA100220-2455.

Yours sincerely

Information Governance Officer

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