

Freedom of Information

Types of accounting software/applications

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Request

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request information concerning the types of accounting software and applications that may be in use by your organisation.

If it is not possible to provide the information requested, please provide advice and assistance, as to how I can refine my request to be included in the scope of the Act.

- 1.) What financial accounting software do you use?
- 2.) Who supplies your financial accounting software (name of vendor or supplier)?
- 3.) What was the original date of purchase or contact start date for your accounting software?
- 4.) When is the contact renewal or expiry date for your accounting software?
- 5.) If relevant, what is the cost of annual support and maintenance (last financial year April 2016 March 2017) for your accounting software?
- 6.) Is Your IT in-house or outsourced, if outsourced, who is it outsourced to, and when is this contract up for renewal?
- 7.) Could you confirm if your organisation has any applications (computer systems) running on the Fujitsu (formerly ICL) VME operating system?
- 8.) If so, please list the names of these applications and their main role within your organisation?
- 9.) Please also confirm if you have applications;
 - a) Operating on any other legacy platform such as OpenVME, IBM iSeries or written in legacy code such as Powerbuilder, COBOL etc. ?
 - b) Any operating system considered expensive or (technically) challenging to enabling digital transformation?
 - c) That are critical to the business but are at risk due to the scarcity of ageing support personnel or limited documentation?
- 10.) Please confirm if these applications have been developed in-house i.e. they are bespoke to your organisation and that you own the source code.

If you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact me via email and I will be happy to clarify what I am asking for, my details are outlined below. I look forward to your response.

Reply

Thank you for your request for information received by JNCC on Friday 8th June 2018, which we have dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

We have answered your questions in order.

- 1.) What financial accounting software do you use?
 - Kypera Financials and Kypera Business.
- 2.) Who supplies your financial accounting software (name of vendor or supplier)?
 - Castleton plc developers of Kypera.
- 3.) What was the original date of purchase or contact start date for your accounting software?
 - The software was purchased in June 2006 and was adopted for use in September 2006.
- 4.) When is the contact renewal or expiry date for your accounting software?
 - There is no specific expiry date as JNCC pay a yearly software maintenance and support fee. The next date for renewal is 2 October 2018.

5.) If relevant, what is the cost of annual support and maintenance (last financial year April 2016 - March 2017) for your accounting software?

• The contract cost is £17,183 for the period 2 October 2016 to 1 October 2017.

6.) Is Your IT in-house or outsourced, if outsourced, who is it outsourced to, and when is this contract up for renewal?

• All IT services are run in-house.

7.) Could you confirm if your organisation has any applications (computer systems) running on the Fujitsu (formerly ICL) VME operating system?

• JNCC does not have any systems or applications that run on the Fujitsu VME operating system.

8.) If so, please list the names of these applications and their main role within your organisation?
• N/A.

9.) Please also confirm if you have applications:

a) Operating on any other legacy platform such as OpenVME, IBM iSeries or written in legacy code such as Powerbuilder, COBOL etc. ?

None.

b) Any operating system considered expensive or (technically) challenging to enabling digital transformation?

None.

c) That are critical to the business but are at risk due to the scarcity of ageing support personnel or limited documentation?

None.

10.) Please confirm if these applications have been developed in-house i.e. they are bespoke to your organisation and that you own the source code.

• N/A – JNCC has no applications that run on Fujitsu VME.

Please acknowledge receipt of this email. If you require any further detail please do not hesitate to contact us.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint please contact Kirsty Meadows (<u>kirsty.meadows@jncc.gov.uk</u>).

If you are still not satisfied following this, you can make an appeal to the Information Commissioner who is the statutory regulator. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF Telephone: 08456 30 60 60 01625 54 57 45 www.ico.gov.uk

Yours sincerely,

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