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07 October 2026

Dear [redacted]

HMICS Freedom of Information Request - FOI.26.00022

I refer to your request dated 01 October 2026, under the freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA), for the following information:

> *"I am requesting: 1. Software asset and contract registers If HMICS maintains any of the following, please provide the current version: a software asset register or application register an ICT or digital contract register Please supply these in machine-readable form (Excel) rather than PDF if possible. If any field in a register is exempt, please provide the register with that field removed rather than withholding it in full.*
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> *2. Expenditure on named suppliers For the financial year 2025/26, please state the total expenditure on products and services originating from each of the following: (a) Microsoft (b) Oracle (c) Amazon Web Services Please include spend made through a reseller, licensing solution provider, systems integrator, managed service provider or public sector framework, as well as any spend made directly with the supplier.*
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> *3. Licence and subscription volumes As at 31 March 2026, please state the number of licences or subscriptions held for each of the following categories: Microsoft Windows (desktop and server operating systems) Microsoft 365 / Office All other Microsoft products (including Dynamics, SQL Server and Azure subscriptions) Oracle database products Oracle application products All other Oracle products If licences are held under an enterprise agreement or similar arrangement that does not record a per-user count, please say so and give the metric that is used instead.*
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> *4. Total software expenditure For the financial year 2025/26: (a) total expenditure on all software licences, subscriptions and cloud services (b) a list of every software or cloud supplier on which HMICS spent more than £50,000, with the amount spent on each"*

1. Please refer to the attached Excel spreadsheet.

2. (a) Microsoft – £0
   (b) Oracle – £0
   (c) Amazon Web Services – £0

3. All HMICS employees have access to Oracle Cloud and Microsoft 365 applications, including Copilot through Scottish Government. In addition, HMICS holds 4 Microsoft Project licences that were purchased as a "one-time purchase" for the 2023/24 fiscal year.

4. (a) HMICS' total software expenditure for the financial year 2025/26 is a total of £2315.98. This total includes a Canva for Teams subscription and 2 Adobe Creative Cloud for Teams (all apps) licences. (b) There are no software or cloud services on which HMICS spent more than £50,000.

Should you wish to send your Freedom of Information request to the Scottish Government directly, the contact details are:-:

General Enquiries Scottish Government
St. Andrew's House
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Email: contactus@gov.scot
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I trust this information is satisfactory for you, however, if you are unhappy with this response you may ask us to carry out an internal review, by writing to the address shown on this letterhead or by emailing HMIC@hmic.gov.scot. Your request should explain why you wish a review to be carried out and should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter. We will then reply within 20 working days of receipt of any such letter.

You then have a right of appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our internal review. The Commissioners website has a guide containing the full details for this process (www.itspublicknowledge.info) or they can be contacted via the following:

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Kinburn Castle
Doubledykes Road
St Andrews
Fife
KY16 9DS
Tel: 01334 464 610

Yours Sincerely,

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