17 August 2022





Dear

Re: Freedom of Information request ref CA183

Thank you for your request for information received on 2 August 2022. The response is given below:

Request

Question 1.

A list of training providers that have an AEB contract with the combined authority for the delivery of skills during the 2022-23 academic year and included in that list, the financial amount of the allocation for the full year 2022-23.

Question 2.

A list of providers with contract allocation of Skills for Jobs adult level 3 funding for 2022-23 and the associated financial amounts of each allocation.

Question 3.

A list of declared subcontractors for delivery of AEB funding for 2022-23

(if feasible, we recognise that this information may not yet be available for the upcoming academic year). Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Response to Questions 1, 2 and 3

Your request has been considered and is refused. In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act), this letter acts as a Refusal Notice.

Exemption

Section 22(1) of the Act provides an exemption for release of information if it is intended for future publication.

The Mayor's Office 72 Market Street Ely Cambs CB7 4LS Link to ICO guidance: <u>information-intended-for-future-publication-and-research-information-sections-22-and-22a-foi.pdf (ico.org.uk)</u>

Reason why the exemption applies

The exemption applies for the following reasons:

The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority utilises its Adult Education Budget (AEB) and Level 3/Free Courses for Jobs (FCFJs) allocations through the use of procured independent training providers and grant funded provision through local Further Education colleges and Adult Learning services (adult community learning).

The CPCA is currently working through a procurement process for AEB and FCFJs in 2022-23. The full allocation detail will be publicly available on the CPCA webpage after the standstill period which is expected in early September: <u>Adult Education Budget | CPCA | The</u> <u>Combined Authority (cambridgeshirepeterborough-ca.gov.uk)</u> (scroll all the way down until you come to 'AEB Allocations', the document live at the moment is for the previous academic year and this will be replaced when we are able to do so).

A list of **subcontractors** will be compiled across both procured and grant funded providers and will be made publicly available at the above website early September.

I hope this information is helpful but if you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review, you should write to us via our contact us email address: <u>democratic.services@cambridgeshirepeterborough-ca.gov.uk</u> or write a letter to Complaints, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority, the Mayor's Office, 72 Market Street, Ely, Cambs CB7 4LS within 40 days of the date of this e-mail.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF, or via their website: <u>https://ico.org.uk/</u>

Generally, the ICO will not undertake a review or make a decision on a request until the internal review process has been completed.

Yours sincerely



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