

East Lothian Council

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Please could you provide me with the following information:

What number, and value, of procurement contracts and/or tenders with a value of over £10,000 have been issued by the council, but not listed on the Contracts Finder website, in a) current financial year b) each financial year since 2015/16?

"Contracts Finder" is the gov.uk portal for information on contracts from English contracting authorities. This portal is for contracts of a value over £10,000.

As East Lothian Council (ELC) is a Scottish local authority, we use "Public Contracts Scotland". In view of this, under Section 17(1)(b) of the Act, I must formally advise you that ELC has been unable to comply with your request as the information you require is not held.

For your information, however, the thresholds for advertising contracts on "Public Contracts Scotland" portal are:

- £50,000 for goods and services
- Works contracts of over £250,000

What, if any, standing orders does the council have in relation to when a procurement contract and/or tender must be published on the Contracts Finder website, including any specified minimum contract value, setting out the method by which the contract is issued i.e. single quotation, three quotations or tender.

ELC's Procurement Procedures are included as part of the Council's Standing Orders. A summary of the contract values and contract routes is given in the following document:

https://www.eastlothian.gov.uk/downloads/download/12564/useful_information_for_suppliers

Any internal guidelines, documents or policies relating to when procurement contracts and/or tenders should or should not be published on the Contracts Finder website.

Please see above.