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INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE 14-027



Thank you for your request for information, received on 21 July 2014. You asked us to provide the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA):

- "1) All available details of the contract(s) held by Human Recognition Systems (HRS) to deliver biometric access control (aka MSite solution) for the Olympic Park and Athletes Village for the duration of the Legacy Projects.
- 2) All available details of any other security contracts currently held within the Olympic Park.
- 3) The total number of CCTV cameras currently in operation on the Olympic site, as well as the various models and manufacturers of cameras currently deployed.
- 4) The names of companies or contractors tasked with maintaining and monitoring CCTV throughout the Olympic Park. How many staff do they employ for this purpose? What is the total cost of such operations per annum?
- 5) The number of security staff tasked with patrolling the Olympic Park. Who are they employed by? What vehicles are used for this purpose, how many, and at what cost?
- 6) Which biometric technologies are currently in operation in and around the Olympic Park (e.g. facial recognition, gait recognition, gesture recognition, voice biometrics, fingerprint, palm print and iris access control systems, etc)?
- 7) Which other security systems are currently in operation within the Olympic Park (e.g. security lighting, intruder detection systems, access control systems, perimeter security, CBRN barriers)? Please provide all available details of such systems.
- 8) Which of these security features intended as temporary have remained following the end of the Games?
- 9) Who is currently in charge of overseeing the London 2012 Olympic Games security legacy?"

I have set out below our response to each one of your questions following your order:

1) All available details of the contract(s) held by Human Recognition Systems (HRS) to deliver biometric access control (aka MSite solution) for the Olympic Park and Athletes Village for the duration of the Legacy Projects.

The London Legacy Development Corporation (the Legacy Corporation) does not have a contract with the company Human Recognition Systems (HRS). Please consider this a refusal notice under section 17 of the FOIA as the information is not held.

2) All available details of any other security contracts currently held within the Olympic Park.

The available details for the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park security contracts held by the Legacy Corporation currently are:

Surveillance and security systems and devices:

Honeywell: Contract award notice: http://www.publictenders.net/node/2218875

Security services

Wilson James: Contract award notice: http://www.publictenders.net/node/2112759.

Security Services (Security Guarding)

Cofely via Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC): Framework agreement. Contract

award notice: http://www.publictenders.net/node/2651144

3) The total number of CCTV cameras currently in operation on the Olympic site, as well as the various models and manufacturers of cameras currently deployed.

There are 88 CCTV cameras currently in operation on the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park.

The models and manufacturers of the cameras are as follows:

Manufacturer	Model
Avigilon	16 MPX
Bosch	Autodome
Bosch	LTC 0489
FLIR	PT-606
Honeywell	Acuix

4) The names of companies or contractors tasked with maintaining and monitoring CCTV throughout the Olympic Park. How many staff do they employ for this purpose? What is the total cost of such operations per annum?

Honeywell are contracted to provide the maintenance service for the CCTV within Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park. The Legacy Corporation does not hold information on their staff resource.

Cofely are contracted to provide the CCTV monitoring service for Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park. The Legacy Corporation does not hold information of their staff resource.

The total cost to the Legacy Corporation of these companies is available in the public domain via the Legacy Corporation website - http://queenelizabetholympicpark.co.uk/ourstory/the-legacy-corporation/good-governance/accounts/monthly-expenditure. The companies may have other contracts with the Legacy Corporation.

5) The number of security staff tasked with patrolling the Olympic Park. Who are they employed by? What vehicles are used for this purpose, how many, and at what cost?

The security staff are employed by Cofely.

In relation to the number of security staff patrolling Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, and the vehicles used patrol purposes: the Legacy Corporation can confirm that they hold this information however, this information is being withheld under FOIA section 31(1) – law enforcement and section 38(1) – Health and Safety.

FOIA Section 31 - Law enforcement.

- (1)Information which is not exempt information by virtue of section 30 is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice—
- (a) the prevention or detection of crime

FOIA section 38 - Health and safety.

- (1)Information is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to—
- (a) endanger the physical or mental health of any individual, or
- (b) endanger the safety of any individual.

These are both qualified exemptions and so a public interest test was undertaken to consider the harm that would be caused if the information in question was released and balance that against the public interest in releasing the information. The Legacy Corporation have assessed the impact of releasing this information and consider that while there is a public interest in information of this nature, the public interest in this particular information, namely the number of security staff and the identification of the security transport used, is fairly limited. By contrast, the security of the park would be jeopardised, and the prevention of crime would be likely to be prejudiced, if this information was released as the response is considered to be in the public domain. We also consider that given the risk that the information could be used to aid the committing of a criminal act, there is an associated risk of danger to the health and safety of the public should this information be released. In conclusion, in all the circumstances we have decided that the public interest in maintain the exemption is stronger than the public interest in disclosing the information.

- 6) Which biometric technologies are currently in operation in and around the Olympic Park (e.g. facial recognition, gait recognition, gesture recognition, voice biometrics, fingerprint, palm print and iris access control systems, etc)?
- 7) Which other security systems are currently in operation within the Olympic Park (e.g. security lighting, intruder detection systems, access control systems, perimeter security, CBRN barriers)? Please provide all available details of such systems.

In relation questions 6 and 7 regarding details for the security systems currently in operation within Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, including biometric technologies: the Legacy Corporation can confirm that they hold information on the security systems in operation within Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, however, this information is being withheld under FOIA section 31(1) – law enforcement and section 38(1) – Health and Safety.

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8) Which of these security features intended as temporary have remained following the end of the Games?

When the Legacy Corporation took over the management of Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park in late 2012 there was a security fence around the site. This has since been removed.

9) Who is currently in charge of overseeing the London 2012 Olympic Games security legacy?

The Legacy Corporation are responsible for the security on Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, however this does not cover the areas that are the responsibility of the Lee Valley Regional Park Authority (LVRPA) or the former Athletes Village, now East Village.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to:

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Yours sincerely

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