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Dear Dame Angela and Steve,

I am writing further to the Cabinet Office's response to your written parliamentary questions on the Crown Representative programme (UIN 181191, 181193 and 182054, tabled on 15 and 16 April 2021), on payment, listings and activities of Crown Representatives and strategic suppliers respectively. I apologise for the unacceptable delay in providing this additional information, which was due to an administrative error that has now been resolved.

Turning to the information that was promised, Crown Representatives have been instrumental in helping to support the formation of the Social Value Act through the use of their industry knowledge as well as the successful formation and implementation of the Prompt Payment Code across Government's strategic suppliers. They have also enabled a cross-government Legacy IT Programme bringing structure and an outward facing perspective to the £600m programme. The total cost of the Crown Representative programme for FY 20/21 was £1,076,000.


Information about the Crown Representative programme, including a list of the current Crown Representatives and strategic suppliers is available on GOV.UK at the following link: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/strategic-suppliers>.

When the Crown Representative Programme began, participants were a mixture of civil servants and outside advisors. A list of former Crown Representatives is provided in Annex A.

Strategic suppliers are those suppliers with a number of contracts across a range of Departments that show a significant level of revenue from Government and/or who are deemed significant to Government through their sector or the criticality of services they provide. A list of former strategic suppliers is provided in Annex B.

Since 2015, the strategic supplier list has changed primarily due to mergers, so the list above may not reflect current corporate structures and certain entities may still be on the strategic supplier list under an alternative name.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink on a light gray background. The signature is written in a cursive style and reads "Peter Agnew". The signature is positioned above a long, horizontal, slightly curved line that extends across the width of the signature.

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Annex A: List of former Crown Representatives

- Alan Coppin
- Andrew Forzani
- Bill Crothers
- Bill Yardley
- Brendan Peilow
- Christian Stephenson
- David Brierwood
- David Jephson
- David Smith
- David Thomas
- David Williams
- Ed Smith
- Elizabeth (Lan) O'Connor
- Elaine Hewitt
- Emma Jones
- Gerry Pennell
- William Priest
- Graham Jackson
- Ian Tyler
- James Hall
- Julie Scattergood
- Keith Burgess
- Keith Scott
- Lawrence Christensen
- Lex Greensill
- Martin Bellamy
- Matt James
- Michael O'Toole
- Michael Wade
- Rob Wilmot
- Stephen Allott
- Stephen Kelly
- Vincent Godfrey

Annex B: List of former strategic suppliers

- Arquiva
- Airwave
- Carillion
- Cofely
- CSC
- DHL
- Hewlett Packard
- Level 3
- Lockheed Martin
- Royal Mail / Post Office
- TCS
- Telereal Trillium