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THIS AGREEMENT is made the <<insert day>>, <<insert month>>, <<insert year>>

BETWEEN:

- (1) <<Name of Helpdesk>> (“the Helpdesk”) within <<Company Name>> (“the Company”) and
- (2) <<Name of Department>> (“the Department”) operating within <<Company Name>>

WHEREAS:

- (1) The Helpdesk provides <<insert description of support>> support services and has reasonable skill, knowledge and experience in that field.
- (2) The Department requires the services of the Helpdesk.
- (3) The Helpdesk shall provide the services to the Department subject to, and in accordance with, the terms of this Agreement.

IT IS AGREED as follows:

1. Definitions and Interpretation

- 1.1 In this Agreement, unless otherwise requires, the following expressions have the following meanings:

“Agreement Review”

the Agreement which will be reviewed in accordance with Clause 6 at the intervals of <<insert number>> months;

“Business Day”

any day other than Saturday or Sunday) on which the Helpdesk is open for their full range of services at <<insert location>>;

“Business Hours”

the hours of the Helpdesk which shall be <<insert hours>> to 6pm, Monday to Friday>>;

“Data Protection Legislation”

the Data Protection Legislation in force from time to time and applicable to data protection and not limited to, the UK GDPR (the General Data Protection Regulation (EU) 2016/679), as it forms part of the law of Scotland, and Northern Ireland by the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (and regulations made under the Privacy and Electronic Communications Regulations 2003 as amended;

“Department Representative”

<<insert name, title, and position>> who shall be authorised to act on behalf of the Department with the Helpdesk Representative in accordance with Clause 6, or such other person who the Department may from time to time nominate;

**“Department
Performance
Representative”**

“Commencement Date”

**“Confidential
Information”**

“Issue Level”

“Performance Report”

“Response Time”

“Service Levels”

**“Helpdesk
Representative”**

**“Helpdesk Performance
Representative”**

“Support Request”

“Support Services”

“Term”

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and position>> who shall be
monitoring of the provision of the
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with other person who the
from time to time nominate;

from the date on which this Agreement comes into
force in Clause 2;

from the other Party, information which is
disclosed by the other Party pursuant to or
in accordance with the Agreement or otherwise (whether
by any other medium, and whether or
not expressly stated to be confidential
shall be interpreted as such);

the Issue Level of a Support Request as

the performance of the Support
Services against the Service Levels, prepared in
accordance with the provisions of Clause 7 and

the period within which the Helpdesk must respond
to a Support Request as set out in Clause 7;

the Service Levels to which the Helpdesk's
provision of the Support Services must
comply with Schedule 2 and Clause 7 and shall
be in compliance with the Issue Levels
and Response Times set out in Clause 7;

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discussing with the Department
in accordance with Clause 6, or such
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monitoring of the provision of the
in accordance with the Service Levels
with other person who the Helpdesk
may nominate;

Support Services submitted by the
Helpdesk by means of <<insert
telephone, support ticket etc.>>;

the nature of support>> support services to
be provided by the Helpdesk to the Department as set
out in Schedule 1; and

the term of this Agreement as set out in Clause 2.

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5. Provision of the Support

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y breach of any of the terms and ovide the Support Services to the er breach which adversely affects sions will apply:

tice to the Helpdesk requiring the

| Issue Level | Response Time |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| Issue Level 1 | <<insert period e.g. 30 minutes>> |
| Issue Level 2 | <<insert period e.g. 1 hour>> |
| Issue Level 3 | <<insert period e.g. 2 hours>> |
| <<Insert additional levels as appropriate>> | |

7.2 The Response Time specified in the table in Clause 7.1 refer only to the time within which the Helpdesk will respond to a Support Request. The Helpdesk gives no guarantee as to the time it may take to resolve save that it hereby undertakes to endeavour to resolve issues as quickly as is reasonably possible.

7.3 For the purposes of managing performance under this Agreement the Parties shall appoint the Department Performance Representative and the Helpdesk Performance Representative (each a "Performance Representative" (each as defined in Clauses of this Clause 7). It shall be the responsibility of the Performance Representatives to ensure that the Support Services are provided in accordance with the Service Levels and the terms and conditions of the Agreement.

7.4 The provision of the Support Services shall be monitored by the Helpdesk Performance Representative [and] OR the Department Performance Representative in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 2.

7.5 All data collected in accordance with Clause 7 and to Schedule 2 shall be presented in <<insert interval, e.g. monthly>> Performance Reports prepared by [the Department] [and] OR [the Helpdesk].

7.6 Performance Reports shall be provided within the time period specified in Schedule 2, to the Department Performance Representative and the Helpdesk Performance Representative upon appropriate action to be taken (where relevant) as held under Clause 6.

8. Confidentiality

8.1 The Helpdesk and the Department agree that, except as provided by sub-Clause 8.2 or as authorised in writing by the other Party, they shall, at all times during the continuance of the Agreement and [for <<insert period>>] after its termination:

8.1.1 keep confidential all information;

8.1.2 not disclose such information to any other person;

8.1.3 not use any such information for any purpose other than as contemplated in the terms and conditions of this Agreement;

8.1.4 not make any disclosure in any way or part with possession of any Confidential Information.

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8.2 Either Party may:

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9. Termination

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- 10.2 subject as provided except in respect of any accrued rights, neither Party er obligation to the other;
- 10.3 each Party shall ret y materials in which the ownership has not been transf which have, for any reason, been provided for the pur and
- 10.4 each Party shall (ex ed to in Clause 8) forthwith cease to use, either direc onfidential Information, and shall forthwith return to t ments in its possession or control which contain or rec rmation.
11. **Force Majeure**
- Neither Party to this Agree their obligations where suc reasonable control of that failure, internet service p storms, earthquakes, acts event that is beyond the re any failure or delay in performing from any cause that is beyond the ude, but are not limited to: power l action, civil unrest, fire, flood, governmental action or any other arty in question.
12. **[Data Protection**
- The Helpdesk will only use onal information as set out in the Helpdesk's <<insert docum Notice>> available from <<insert location(s)>>.]
13. **[Data Processing**
- 13.1 In this Clause 13, subject", "data controller", "data processor", and "pe l have the meaning defined in the Data Protection Leg
- 13.2 [All personal data the Helpdesk on behalf of the Department under t processed in accordance with the terms of the Data entered into by the Parties on <<insert date>> [pu].]
- OR**
- 13.2 [The Parties hereby both comply with all applicable data protection requirem Protection Legislation. This Clause 13 shall not reliev obligations set out in the Data Protection Legislat move or replace any of those obligations.
- 13.3 For the purposes of islation and for this Clause 13, the Department is the " Helpdesk is the "Data Processor".
- 13.4 The type(s) of pe e, nature and purpose of the processing, and the ng are set out in Schedule 3.
- 13.5 The Data Controlle s in place all necessary consents and notices require nsfer of personal data to the Data Processor for the pu Agreement.
- 13.6 The Data Processo y personal data processed by it in relation to its perfor ations under this Agreement:

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13.6.1 Process the personal data in accordance with the written instructions of the Data Controller unless the Data Controller is otherwise required to process the personal data; the Data Processor shall promptly notify the Data Controller of any such requirement unless prohibited from doing so by law;

13.6.2 Ensure that appropriate technical and organisational measures (a) are implemented by the Data Processor (Controller) to protect the personal data from unlawful processing, accidental loss, damage or destruction, and (b) are designed to protect the personal data from potential harm arising from the current state of technology and the cost of implementing those measures, which measures are set out in Schedule 3;

13.6.3 Ensure that the Data Processor and/or the Data Processor are contractually obliged to keep the personal data secure and to prevent access to the personal data (whether or not the Data Processor is contractually obliged to keep the personal data secure);

13.6.4 Not transfer the personal data outside of the UK without the prior written consent of the Data Controller and only if the following conditions are met:

13.6.4.1 The Data Processor and/or the Data Processor has/have implemented appropriate safeguards for the transfer of the personal data;

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13.6.4.3 The Data Processor and/or the Data Processor complies with its obligations under the Data Protection Act 1998, providing an adequate level of protection for the personal data so transferred; and

13.6.4.4 The Data Processor and/or the Data Processor complies with all reasonable instructions issued by the Data Controller with respect to the personal data;

13.6.5 Assist the Data Controller, at the Data Controller's cost, in responding to any and all requests from data subjects and in ensuring its compliance with the Data Protection Legislation with respect to data subjects, including, but not limited to, assessments, and consultations with supervisory authorities (including, but not limited to, the Information Commissioner's Office);

13.6.6 Notify the Data Controller of any breach of the Data Protection Legislation;

13.6.7 On the Data Controller's instruction, delete (or otherwise dispose of) the personal data and any and all copies thereof to the extent required by the Data Controller or as required by law; and

13.6.8 Maintain complete and accurate records of all processing activities and measures implemented necessary to ensure compliance with Clause 13 and to allow for audits by the Data Controller or any other person designated by the Data Controller.

13.7 [The Data Processor shall be responsible for ensuring compliance with any of its obligations with respect to the processing of the personal data in Clause 13.]

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- 13.8 Either Party may, at least <<insert period, e.g. 30 calendar days>> notice, alter or amend the processing clauses in the applicable certification scheme. Such terms shall be replaced by attachment to this Agreement.]]

14.2 No failure or delay in exercising any of its rights under this Agreement shall be deemed to constitute a waiver of that right, and no waiver by either Party of a breach of this Agreement shall be deemed to be a waiver of any subsequent breach of the same or any other provision.

The Parties agree that, if any provision of this Agreement is found to be unenforceable, that / those provisions shall be deemed unenforceable, and the remainder of this Agreement shall remain enforceable.

16.2 Subject to any express provisions to the contrary in this Agreement, neither Party shall have the authority to bind, contract, or obligate the other Party, and shall not do any act, enter into any contract, make any representation, incur any liability, or assume any obligation, express or implied, of any kind on behalf of the other Party or bind the other Party in any way.

17.1 All notices under this Agreement shall be in writing and be deemed duly given if signed by, or on behalf of, an authorised representative of the Party giving the notice.

17.2 All notices under this Agreement shall be sent by the following method e.g. support ticket, email, post, etc. when sent [provided that the recipient is notified by email]

sent by [email] **AND/OR** [<<insert method e.g. support ticket, email, post, etc. deemed to have been duly given if a return receipt is generated].

18. Law and Jurisdiction

18.1 This Agreement (including any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of or in connection with it) shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of England and Wales.

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18.2 Any dispute, controversy or claim between the Parties relating to this Agreement (including any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of or in connection with it) shall be referred to and decided by the courts of England and Wales.

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SIGNED by

<<Name and Title of person signing for and on behalf of the Helpdesk>>

SIGNED by

<<Name and Title of person signing for and on behalf of <<Department>>>>

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Support Services

<<Insert a complete specification of the services to be provided by the Helpdesk to the Department. Include any exclusions.

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Service Levels

Issue Levels

<<Insert a full specification of all Issues and a detailed definition of each.>>

Performance Monitoring

<<Provide a specification detailing what performance metrics are to be monitored and measured. If a standard system is to be used, identify the system. Specify what data will be collected and how that data relates to performance.>>

Performance Report

<<Provide a specification / template for the Report which will be used for recording performance.>>

Submission of Performance Reports

<<Provide a timetable for the collection of data, the compilation of Performance Reports, and the submission of Performance Reports to the Performance Representatives.>>

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1. Data Processing

Scope

<<Insert description of the scope of the processing to be carried out>>.

Nature

<<Insert description of the nature of the processing to be carried out>>.

Purpose

<<Insert description of the purpose of the processing to be carried out>>.

Duration

<<Insert details of the duration of the processing>>.

2. Types of Personal Data

<<List the types of personal data to be processed>>.

3. Categories of Data Subject

<<List the categories of data subject>>.

4. Organisational and Technical Measures

<<Describe the organisational and technical measures to be implemented as referenced in Clause 13.6.2>>.

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