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Email:

Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 210906

You requested the following information, please also see our response below:

I have been informed that the CCP and OTL vehicles are not fit for purpose and at risk of breaking down often. Other vehicles which were deemed fit for purpose have been procured.

I have some questions,

1) Which vehicles were considered as the replacement fleet?

The following vehicles were considered as the replacement fleet.

BMW X3
BMW X5
Fiat Doblo
Mercedes Vito
Mitsubishi Outlander
Skoda Kodiaq
Volkswagen Transporter
Volkswagen Tiguan
Volvo V90
Volvo XC90

2) what was the cost of each vehicle and breakdowns of costs?

Make / Model	Suitability	Cost
BMW X3	No - to small	Quote not gained
BMW X5	No - to small	Quote not gained
Fiat Doblo	No - A van based vehicle wasn't suitable	Quote not gained
Mercedes Vito	No - A van based vehicle wasn't suitable	See below
Mitsubishi Outlander	No - to small	Quote not gained
Skoda Kodiaq	Yes	See below
Volkswagon Transporter	No - A van based vehicle wasn't suitable	See below
Volkswagon Tiguan	No - to small	Quote not gained
Volvo V90	No - to small	Quote not gained
Volvo XC90	Yes	See below

Quotes were gained for the preferred vehicles only and where the trust were keen to standardise the fleet.

Mercedes Vito	Cost	
Base Vehicle	£28,220.00	
Less Discount	٤7,218.00	
Comfort seats	£85.00	
Lumbar support	£105.00	
Aircon and aux battery	£1,180.00	
Glazed tailgate and wiper	£235.00	
2 extra keys	£105.00	
Sliding side windows	£805.00	
PSM interface	£285.00	
70L fuel tank	£80.00	
Delivery pack	£985.00	
Total subject to VAT & RFL	£25,697.00	
Quote - 05/08/2020		

Volvo XC90	Cost
Base Vehicle	£30,500.00
Window tint	£333.33
F & R mudflaps	£180.00
Additional keys	£250.00
Full size spare wheel	£640.00
Underplate protector	£541.66
Climate pack	£604.17
Floor mats	£90.00
PDI & Delivery	£620.00
First registration fee	£55.00
Total subject to VAT	£33,814.16
Quoted - 10/02/2020	

Volkswagen Transporter	Cost
Base vehicle	£39,380.00
Less Discount	£11,026.40
LED headlamps	£662.40
Rear wing door mirrors	£100.80
Sliding door right in load	£475.20
Delivery charges	£620.00
First registration fee	£55.00
Total subject to VAT	£30,267.00
Quoted - 12/06/2020	

Skoda Kodiaq	Cost
Base vehicle	£31,312.50
Less Discount	£5,949.38
Bluelight brake enhancement	£267.75
Retail delivery charges	£658.33
First registration fee	£55.00
Total subject to VAT	£26,344.20
Quoted - 26/05/2020	

Skoda Kodiaq	Cost	
Base vehicle	£33,570.83	
Less Discount	£6,378.46	
Third key	£30.37	
5 yr extended warranty	££1,271.00	
Bluelight brake enhancement	£296.79	
F&Rmats	£111.00	
F & R Mudflaps	£155.00	
Like for like spare wheel	£723.12	
Retail delivery charges	£658.33	
First registration fee	£55.00	
Total subject to VAT	£30,492.98	
Quoted - 26/10/2021		

Base Vehicle cost at a glance			
Date of quote	Make & Model	Cost	
05/08/2020	Mercedes Vito	£21,002.00	
26/05/2020	Skoda Kodiaq	£25,363.12	
26/10/2021	Skoda Kodiaq	£27,192.37	
12/06/2020	Volkswagen Transporter	£28,353.60	
10/02/2020	Volvo XC 90	£30,500.00	

Note that there will be a price increase to allow for, on the 2020 quotes

3) is the vehicle that has been selected more expensive than the Volvo XC90 which were already decided and ordered?

The selected vehicle (Skoda Kodiaq) is cheaper than the Volvo XC90. At no point was an order placed with Volvo.

I hope you find this information of some assistance.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Head of Information Governance via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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