Dear Mr Newfield

Your request for information received on 8 January 2018 has been dealt with under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

You asked:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from you:

- The software used by the Media/Communications team to manage press enquiries, send press releases and maintain a press contacts database. Please specify the value and length of any contracts associated with the tools you use.

- The software used by the Media/Communications team to monitor the media. Please specify the value and length of any contracts associated with the tools you use.

- The software used by the Media/Communications team to manage and store interactions with stakeholders (e.g. the media, regulators, government agencies, the community, the public). Please specify the value and length of any contracts associated with the tools you use.

- The software used by the Public Affairs or any other relevant team to monitor the political environment and Parliament and log interactions with politicians, civil servants, lobbying bodies, trade unions, etc. Please specify the value and length of any contracts associated with the tools you use.

University Response

The only relevant contract the University has in place is in relation to press monitoring. We use Gorkana media database. The value of this contract is c£20k per annum and will expire in July 2018.
I trust this satisfies your request sufficiently. Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, you have the right to complain about the University’s response to your request for information. If you have such a complaint, you may contact Mrs Teresa Kelly, Clerk to the Board of Governors, Middlesex University, Hendon campus, London NW4 4BT, tel: 020 8411 6018, t.kelly@mdx.ac.uk within 40 days of the date of this letter for a review of the University's decision. If you remain unsatisfied with the outcome of that complaint, you may seek further recourse by lodging an appeal with the Information Commissioner.

Yours sincerely

John Gilchrist
Freedom of Information Officer