

Access to Public Information Request

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Request for information:

I'd like to make an access to information request on the states produced combined manifesto.

I'd like to ask,

- 1. If a Guernsey company is printing it?
- 2. Was there an open tendering process that invited all local printers to participate?
- 3. Where and when was the advert to tender published?
- 4. How many local companies responded to that advert?
- 5. Can we please see the literature that was sent out to local printers to base their tenders on?
- 6. Does the states on the whole agree that now more than ever it's important to make sure that local tax paying companies take control of States contracts?

Response:

When contracting out work, the States of Guernsey seeks to support on-island businesses wherever possible. We regularly use local printing firms but unfortunately on this occasion it was not possible due to the timescale, quantities and size of the publication. Having discussed our requirements with local printing companies, it became clear that none could print the 18,000 combined manifestos within the timescale needed. As such we were left with no alternative but to arrange for them to be printed off-island.