

**Freedom of Information request:** Reference number FOI2026/00559

**Date of request:** 18th May

**Request:**

In terms of the Freedom of Information Act of 2000, and subject to section 40(2) on personal data, please could you confirm the following;

1. Has your Fire & Rescue Service appointed a Business Rates Adviser for the 2026 Rating List?
1. If the answer to Q1 is "Yes", when does your current business rates instruction expire?

**Response:**

I refer to your request for information, that we received on 18 May 2026, and which has been processed as a Freedom of Information request.

You asked two questions regarding London Fire Brigade's (LFB) appointment of a Business Rates Adviser for the 2026 Rating List. Please find our responses below.

Question 1 — Has your Fire & Rescue Service appointed a Business Rates Adviser for the 2026 Rating List?

Yes. LFB has an appointed managing agent acting as Business Rates Adviser on the day-to-day management of business rates, which includes the 2026 Rating List.

Question 2 — When does your current business rates instruction expire?

LFB's current managing agent contract, which includes services in respect of Business Rates, expires in September 2027.

We have dealt with your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. For more information about this process please see the guidance we publish about making a request on our website:

<https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/about-us/transparency/request-information-from-us/>