

Ref: FOI2026- 017

[REDACTED]

30 April 2026

Dear [REDACTED],

We refer to your request for the following information:

“Would it be possible to share a copy of your certificate of incorporation or the most recent legislative action that gave rise to your corporation? I am interested in seeing in how you are incorporated and the corporate governance structure the company has in its certificate of incorporation. For the other defense companies, I could easily find such information at the SEC in the US, but given that AWE has a special relationship with the UK government, I could not locate much online.”

Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act).

We can confirm that AWE holds all of the information you have requested, however we are withholding the information under section 21 of the Act. This section provides that information can be withheld where disclosure would amount to providing information that is already reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means. As section 21 is an absolute exemption, no public interest test is required.

The information you have requested is publicly available at Companies House and can be accessed at:

[AWE PLC filing history - Find and update company information - GOV.UK](#). Specifically - [application-pdf](#)

Under section 16 of the Act (advice and assistance), you may find it helpful to note that a number of documents relating to the incorporation of AWE are also publicly available via Companies House. You may also wish to read our Framework Document - [AWE PLC Framework Document - GOV.UK](#).

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications. If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

If you are unhappy with the way your request has been handled you have a right to request an internal review within 40 days of receiving this letter, by writing to information.requests@awe.co.uk or our postal address: Information Requests Team, AWE Aldermaston, Reading, RG7 4PR. If you are still unhappy after an internal review has been completed, under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 you have the right to take your complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office. Please note the Commissioner will generally not consider a complaint until you have exhausted AWE's internal complaints process.

Yours sincerely,

AWE Information Requests Team

