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**REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2018/04284**

I write in connection with your request for information received on 2nd August. I note you seek access to the following information:

1. **Do you have a procurement policy which supports the use of UK Government IT procurement frameworks, such as G-Cloud and Digital Outcomes and Specialists?**

2. **Has your organisation adopted a strategy or IT policy guidance for using:**  
(Please indicate yes or no for each)

- **Hyperscale public cloud (e.g. AWS / Azure/ Google Cloud Platform)**
- **Other cloud (e.g. UK Cloud)**
- **Software as a Service (e.g. Office 365)**

2.1. **Who is responsible for each?**

3. **How many on-premise data centres do you own?**  
(In this context, a 'data centre' is a secure processing facility which hosts one or more IT systems)

4. **How many third-party data centres do you use?**  
(i.e. for colocation)

5. **Do you use cloud for storing data / applications?**

6. **Expressed in percentage terms, approximately what proportion of your data and applications are held in:**

- **An on-premise data centre**
- **A third-party data centre**
- **Hyperscale public cloud (e.g. AWS / Azure/ Google Cloud Platform)**
- **Other public cloud (e.g. UK Cloud)**
- **Private cloud**

7. **Is your IT primarily managed in-house or is it outsourced?**

8. Do you share your IT infrastructure and services with any other organisation?  
(i.e. do you have shared services arrangements)

9. Do you have a central IT department?

10. Who in your organisation is responsible for driving your cloud strategy?

11. If your organisation does have a cloud strategy, what are the main drivers?  
(Please indicate yes or no for each)

- Cost savings
- Scalability
- Agility
- Security
- Modernisation
- Other (please specify):

12. In the next 12 months are you looking to procure any of the following?  
(Please indicate yes or no for each)

- On-premise data centre
- Colocation facilities
- Physical IT infrastructure
- Hyperscale public cloud services (e.g. AWS / Azure/ Google Cloud Platform)
- Other public cloud services (e.g. UK Cloud)
- Private cloud services
- Outsourced IT managed services

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**Response** – Bedfordshire Police, Cambridgeshire Constabulary and Hertfordshire Constabulary work within a collaborated unit. Following enquiries within the department please see our response below:

1. Each procurement is approached as a separate project and the most appropriate route to market is chosen. A large number of procurements take place under the Crown Commercial Services frameworks. For more details please consult <https://www.blpd.gov.uk>
2. Yes  
Yes  
Yes
- 2.1 Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Hertfordshire ICT Department
3. 4
4. 0
5. Yes
6. 99.9%  
0%  
0.1%  
0%  
0%
7. In-house
8. Bedfordshire Police, Cambridgeshire Constabulary and Hertfordshire Constabulary
9. Yes
10. The Enterprise Architecture Manager
11. Yes  
Yes  
No  
Yes  
No
12. Yes  
No  
Yes

Yes  
Yes  
No  
No

The numerical data presented in this response is an un-audited snapshot of un-published data sourced from "live" systems and is subject to the interpretation of the original request by the individual extracting the data.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

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Bedfordshire Police provides you the right to request an independent review of this response under its review procedure. If you require such a review you must notify us within two months from the date of this letter. After lodging a complaint with Bedfordshire Police if you are still dissatisfied with the decision you may make an application to the Information Commissioner. For information on how to make a complaint please visit their website at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/> or contact them on 0303 123 1113.