



Reference: FOI 0353

**Request:**

**I would specifically like to request the following, in electronic format please:**

**1. What is the current number of staff who use a PC or a laptop within your organisation?**

2696

**2. What are the current Microsoft software licences (server and desktop) that you are using?**

Desktop - 2007, 2010, 2016

We operate a 2013 environment on behalf of the schools using SIMS\*\*

Server - Windows Server 2008r2, 2012 and 2016

**3. What is your annual IT spend on Microsoft licences?**

The majority of the IT spend on Microsoft licences is provided on behalf of the Council via the Partnership agreement with ENGIE. As this is provided under the contract with ENGIE, who are not subject to the same rules under the Freedom of Information Act, there is nothing to report. Other spend on Microsoft products in 2017/18 came to under £3,000

**4. Has your organisation moved, or is planning to move, to the Cloud in the next 12 months?**

We will continue to exploit Cloud where appropriate and cost effective. The default for all new systems is Cloud.

**5. Are you due to undertake a review of your software estate in the next 12 months?**

No - regarding Microsoft software

**6. What is the name of the decision maker for IT spend in your organisation?**

The Council has a system of delegated authority. IT Refresh plans are through the Head of Digital Strategy (Ben Kaner); the overall spend of any kind comes under the remit of the Head of Finance (Janice Gillespie). All investment spend is controlled by the Investment Programme Board, which includes the above plus the Acting Chief Executive (Paul Hanson), the Deputy Mayor (Cllr Bruce Pickard) and the Cabinet Member for Finance (Cllr Ray Glindon)