

Request for Information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

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?

The UEA uses G-Cloud and the procurement policy for this may be found at <https://www.uea.ac.uk/documents/3154295/9533899/Procurement-Policy-January-2014.pdf/>

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)

The UEA has not adopted a formal strategy or policy for using any of these as we review our needs on a case-by -case basis.

2.1. Who is responsible for each?

Not applicable – see response to question 2 above.

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)

The UEA owns and operates 2 on-premise data centres.

4. How many third-party data centres do you use?

(i.e. for colocation)

Zero. The UEA does not use any third party data centres.

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

Yes.

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

- An on-premise data centre
98%
- A third-party data centre
0%
- Hyperscale public cloud (e.g. AWS / Azure/ Google Cloud Platform)
2%
- Other public cloud (e.g. UK Cloud)

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0%

- Private cloud

0%

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

IT is primarily managed in-house.

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

Yes, however this is limited.

9. Do you have a central IT department?

Yes.

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

The UEA does not have a cloud strategy however the use of cloud is driven by the IT Department.

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):

Not applicable – see response to question 10 above.

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

The UEA's detailed plans for the next 12 months have not yet been formed or agreed. In all likelihood we will procure Physical Infrastructure from this list.