REQUEST

I would like answers to the questions below to be provided to me via email.

1. **Do you use any public cloud services?**

- Yes
- No

This information is provided on the following website

https://foi.west-midlands.police.uk/it-procurement-12730_18/

https://foi.west-midlands.police.uk/3rd-party-hosting-15305-18/

2. **Do you use any of the following cloud services? (indicate all that apply)Microsoft Azure Amazon Web Services (AWS)**

- Google Cloud Platform
- Other (please indicate)

As above

3. **Approximately what percentage of your IT infrastructure runs in the public cloud?**

- 0%
- 1-25%
- 26-50%
- 51 -75%
- 76-99%
- 100%

See Q1

4. **What challenges did you encounter when moving to the public cloud (select all that apply)**

- Migrating certain applications
- Lack of senior buy-in
- Difficulty in proving ROI
- Budget constraints
- Licensing concerns
- Compliance concerns
- Security concerns
- Lack of appropriate skills
- Vendor lock-in
- Not applicable

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There is no recorded information held

5. **What are the current challenges you experience when it comes to procuring and managing IT? (select all that apply)**

- Keeping pace with technology advancement
- Keeping up with government policies such as 'Cloud First'
- Demands for an agile workforce
- Pressures to reduce costs/lack of budget
- Expectations of minimum business disruption
- No central funding and non-negotiable supplier prices
- Lack of appropriate skills supporting digital transformation
- Increase in threat from cyber-attacks

As above

6. **The Police National Enabling Programme (NEP) aims to help forces adopt new cloud-based technologies and move to a standardised IT model. Have you begun any projects under the NEP?**

Plan to within the next 12 months

7. **What are the biggest benefits you expect to experience as a result of digital transformation and the National Enabling Programme? (select all that apply)**

- Ability to collaborate and share data and services with other forces
- Consistency and common standards in operations and outcomes
- Scalable solution that can move at speed to meet demands
- Improved security and defence against cyber-attack
- Free resources to fight 'frontline' crime
- Improve the reputation of police amongst general public
- Ability to meet targets of the Policing Vision 2025
- Other

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