Regarding your council's IT infrastructure, with a specific focus on data storage and cloud adoption.

Unfortunately, the Council is only able to meet part of your request and this information is released to you below.

In line with advice from the National Cyber Security Centre, we do not provide information relating to hardware, software and systems and therefore, unfortunately, it is not possible to provide you with all the information you have requested.

By placing information about our systems into the public domain we would potentially be putting our IT framework at risk. This would prejudice substantially the Council's ability to effectively carry out its business if its IT framework were compromised as a consequence of the disclosure of this information.

Please provide responses to the following questions:

Data Centres and On-Premise Facilities

- How many data centres, server rooms, or similar on-premise facilities are currently operated or managed by the council?
- Please provide a breakdown of each type.

This information will not be provided for the reasons given above.

Data Storage

- What is the breakdown of the council's data stored across the following environments?

Please provide either the percentage or numerical breakdown for each type:

- On-premise
- Public cloud
- Private cloud
- Hybrid (a mix of on-premise and cloud)

This information will not be provided for the reasons given above.

Cloud Migration

- Has the council migrated any data or services to the cloud in the past three years? Yes
- If applicable, can you provide a list of systems migrated (e.g., HR, CRM, Finance, etc.)?
- If applicable, please could you provide the cloud service provider(s) used for each migration?

This information will not be provided for the reasons given above.

Cloud Adoption Policy

- Does the council have a formal cloud adoption policy?

The Council has a Digital and Smart City Strategy, see link, <u>7.10 - Digital and Smart City Strategy.pdf (edinburgh.gov.uk)</u>. There is not a separate cloud adoption policy, but cloud strategy referenced within the Digital and Smart City Strategy.

Cloud Data Location Monitoring

- Does the council monitor the physical location of its cloud-hosted data (answer yes or no)? Yes
- If applicable, please can you provide how this is tracked?

This information will not be provided for the reasons given above.

Financial Information on IT Infrastructure

- For the past five years, can you provide the annual spend on your IT Infrastructure?
- If applicable, please provide the breakdown of spend for each year of the last 3 years and for each of the following categories:
- Hardware (Servers, Computers, Network Devices, Storage Systems)
- Software
- Networks
- Data Centres
- Cloud Infrastructure (IaaS, PaaS, SaaS)
- Security Systems
- IT Service Management
- External consultancy for cloud migration or IT modernisation

Charges are within our annual ICT Contract costs of circa £26m per annum, or within specific approved and budgeted projects / programmes. The charges are not structured in a way that we can report spend for IT Infrastructure as a standalone value.