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Request

We received your request on 01 August 2024 which has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Our response

Please see below detail of our response in relation to the 4 separate questions -

Question 1:

NIHE utilises access to a Northern Ireland Wide Enterprise Shared Services Agreement with a principle body called IT Assist. In doing so this means services are wrapped and shared across multiple Government sites and Departments and it is provided and managed by IT Assist.

I have included number below for the staff centric devices but the shared offering in terms of hosting and infrastructure is the responsibility of IT Assist.

Q1. Can you please list the number of devices deployed by your organisation for the following?	•			
Device Type	Number of Devices			
Desktop PCs	Circa 350			
Laptops	Circa 2000			
Mobile Phones	Circa 2600			
Printers	0			
Multi Functional Devices (MFDs)	198			
Tablets	Circa 800			
Physical Servers	See response above.			
Storage Devices (for example: NAS, SAN)	See response above.			
Networking Infrastructure (for example: Switches, Routers, Interfaces, Wireless Access	See response above.			
Points)				
Security Infrastructure (for example: Firewalls, Intrusion Detection Systems (IDS), Virus	See response above.			
Monitoring Tools)				

Question 2:

ICT goods and Service contracts once established will be advertised in line with Public Procurement Regulations and will appear on eTendersNI NI as separate CFTs.

2024/25 Spend/Budget (£000)	2025/26 Spend/Budget (£000)
	2024/25 Spend/Budget (£000)

Question 3

The Services listed below are procured through the Enterprise Shared Services agreement and will be advertised and procured at time of requirement in line with Public Procurement Regulation and will appear on eTendersNI.

Q3. Do you have any plans to procure End user devices (desktop/laptop/tablet/mobile phones etc)? if yes, please provide information in the below format.	2024/25 Spend/Budget (£000)	2025/26 Spend/Budget (£000)
Desktops		
Laptops		
Mobile Phones		
Tablets and Others (if Others, please specify)		

Question 4

Q4. Do you have any plans to procure below services/softwares? if yes, please provide information in the below format.	2024/25 Spend/Budget (£000)	2025/26 Spend/Budget (£000)
Artificial Intelligence (AI)		
Cyber Security		

As per question 2, ICT goods and Service contracts once established will be advertised in line with Public Procurement Regulations and will appear on eTendersNI as separate CFTs.

This concludes our response.