

IT Hardware

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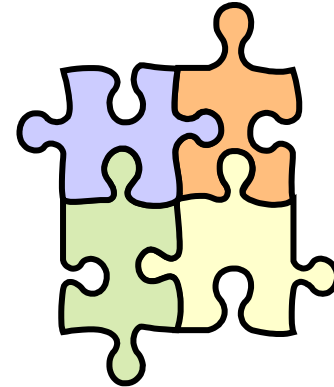
Total Uptake to Date

- Around 135 organisations buying from contract
 - 32 HE/FE Establishments
 - 48 Local Authorities / Schools
 - 19 NHS Boards / Hospitals
 - 25 Central Government Organisations
 - 3 Fire & Rescue Services
 - 2 Police Forces
 - 6 Charities and Housing Associations
- Secured Savings currently stand at just over £5.5m
- Forecast savings likely to be in the region of £6.5m



Next Steps

- Potential Initiatives:
 - Entry level Servers?
 - Interactive Whiteboards?
 - Disposal of IT Hardware?
 - Mini Books



Interactive Whiteboards

- 2 main manufacturers selling through resellers
- Big variance in pricing across public sector
- Can we ever get Standard specifications with a menu of options eg. voting systems, training, installation
- Demand increasing, particularly in schools
- Manufacturers making a push to enter new markets eg. Health & HE/FE
- Could we develop a menu of services that pre agreed pricing on a national basis ?
- Is it likely we need to offer 2 main manufacturers ?
- Is the decision taken at school level or does Local Authorities influence these decisions .Or is it a bit of both ?



Mini Books

- Asus eee PC series . Currently being piloted in various parts of Scotland by RM plc.
- There would appear to be a few choices creeping in , ie different look and feel and sometimes slightly more computing power .
- These features influence price upwards .
- The Linux version is around sub £140 and Windows version around £230
- HP and some other manufactures are prototyping similar models .
- Where does SICTDG the future of this re uptake and by when ?
- Who will own these computers ?
- Will the asset transfer at any stage ?

Disposal of IT Hardware

- Arrangements vary across public sector
- No consistent approach to satisfying WEEE regulations
- Cost varies significantly; paying premiums, giving to charity, selling redundant kit. Donating kit to Eastern Europe and or Africa.
- General feeling from Forum members that a national contract would be beneficial for all – comfort factor!
- National contract
 - Best value
 - CSR advantages
 - Compliancy with stringent regulations