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Title: Old Computer Equipment

Ref: EFOI 13522

Information Request

1) In particular, how many computer users there are at your organization in total, where the old computer and other technology and electronic items are going when they are replaced by newer items and what percentage is going to help those in the local UK community that cannot afford computers ?

2) Our previous FOI and researched showed that many public organisations sell their old tech to scrap companies and the markets for old tech scrap are generally abroad for scrap contractors used by council and other large organisations including schools with one scrap company alone stating that they export over 50,000 computer items per month. -Therefore, may we please ask for the information/data on your plans to comply with the UK climate change act and deal with scope 3 emissions from transport during the export of containers overseas? May we also ask for any data held regarding emissions and particular scope 3 emissions relating to old technology from your organisation.

3) May we also please ask, what you currently have in terms of outdated, unplugged, or unused no longer needed laptops, computers, or other electronics in your storage that we can collect for our long-standing local-focused UK solution that helps homeless youth in need, care leavers, pensioners who cannot afford a computer, refugees and others disadvantaged people and if not would it be possible to put a date in the diary for the next collection please ? May we suggest 5th, 6th or 10th May 2021 for the next collection?

4) If the council / organisation has recently changed its policy to allow local reuse and access to local organisations to its old still usable tech, may we please ask: how can we also be added to this list of organisations that the equipment to 'offered to before disposal' and receive equal treatment as those organizations ?

5) if the council / organisation has a listing of organisations on its website that can collect old still usable items for the UK community we would appreciate equal treatment and kindly request to be added to that list - our details and website address are below.

Response by Eastbourne Borough Council

Question	Response
1) In particular, how many computer users there are at your organization in total, where the old computer and other technology and electronic items are going when they are replaced by newer items and what percentage is going to help those in the local UK community that can not afford computers ?	**All items undergo Secure Disposal Under Government Guidelines**
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3) May we also please ask, what you currently have in terms of outdated, unplugged, or unused no longer needed laptops, computers, or other electronics in your storage that we can collect for our long-standing local-focused UK solution that helps homeless youth in need, care leavers, pensioners who can not afford a computer, refugees and others disadvantaged people and if not would it be possible to put a date in the diary for the next collection please ? May we suggest 5th, 6th or 10th May 2021 for the next collection ?	**None**
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