Thank you for your recent request for information which I have enclosed below for ease of reference. Your request has been treated in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and/or the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

Your Request : REQ05580

I can confirm that we do hold information that falls within the scope of your request. The answers to your questions have been provided in **Red Text** below.

I would like to submit the following Freedom of Information Request:

1. For the financial year of 2017/18, please provide:

The information you have requested is not recorded for the full financial year. The figures below cover the three month period from 01/02/2018 to 01/04/2018.

Please see below an extract from the Councils Internet Acceptable Use Policy.

Things employees / users must not do
Access to certain categories of website is currently prevented through a filtering system; this includes but is not exclusive to activities which could be:
Adult material Internet telephony Audio downloads
Gambling and brokerage/trading Games
Illegal content Hacking Proxy avoidance
Some web chat Militancy and Extremist Offensive content

Preeware/software downloads Racism and hate

Violence Weapons

Personal file storage or sharing (see 'Uploading Council Information to the Internet')

a. The amount of time spent by staff on social media websites on work ICT equipment. 5338 hours, 48 minutes. The Councils Social Media Policy details an employee's responsibilities when using social media in relation to the Council and their employment. Please note that this policy allows staff access to social media sites, via council equipment, in their own time. Also, some departments use social media as part of their function, for example, our communications team use Facebook and Twitter to communicate with residents.

b. The number of attempts that were made by staff to access pornographic sites on work ICT equipment. 209. This includes each instance of banners and advertising pop-ups that the system records as being a request.

b. The number of attempts made by staff to access blocked sites: pornographic and not pornographic; on work ICT equipment. The total for Pornographic **and** not pornographic blocked sites is 2,678,693 'requests'. Requests can include multiple instances of blocked sites including each instance of banners and advertising pop-ups that may be visible when browsing websites. The system records this as being a request. This accounts for a large proportion of this number. Also please note the types of sites blocked are for a number of different reasons, as detailed in the Internet Acceptable Use Policy.

I hope this provides the information you were looking for; if there is any further information that we can provide, please submit a further request. If you have any queries about this email or if you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, please contact me.

If you are not content with the subsequent outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the Councils complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioners Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

For future reference, all Freedom of Information requests can now be submitted via the link below.

www.newport.gov.uk/foi

Regards,

Information Management

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The Council welcomes correspondence in English or Welsh or both, and will respond to you according to your preference. Corresponding in Welsh will not lead to delay.

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