

EXTRAORDINARY OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

VERBAL BRIEFING ON FUTURE DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE OPTIONS PAPER

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Introduction

- The current 5Cs Capita arrangements for the “ICT infrastructure and security provision” ends in September 2025.
- We need to make a decision now to enable resources to meet the September 2025 deadline.
- The complexity of the ICT Infrastructure and Security provision means this is the first of the 5Cs Exit procurement strategies. Others to follow.
- The scope of the paper is limited to the ICT Infrastructure and Security provision
- This report makes a recommendation on HBC’s procurement strategy for this service
- The Business case, with costings, for sign off is scheduled for Summer 2023
- Councillor, resident and staff experience will largely look the same but with a better service and more scope for improvements



Scope of IT Infrastructure and Security Procurement

- Microsoft 365 tenancy administration.
- Device packaging (i.e. laptop/PC builds and application distribution)
- Security
- Systems backup and recovery
- Hosting of servers
- Managed PSN-secure environment for Election services
- Internet connectivity and Wi-Fi
- Staff helpdesk and escalation management
- Desk telephony and integration – will not impact Customer Contact Centre provision
- Service desk & requests

NOT in scope:

- Printing
- Device procurement (laptops and mobile phones)
- Offboarding of legacy systems to Software as a Service (SaaS) products

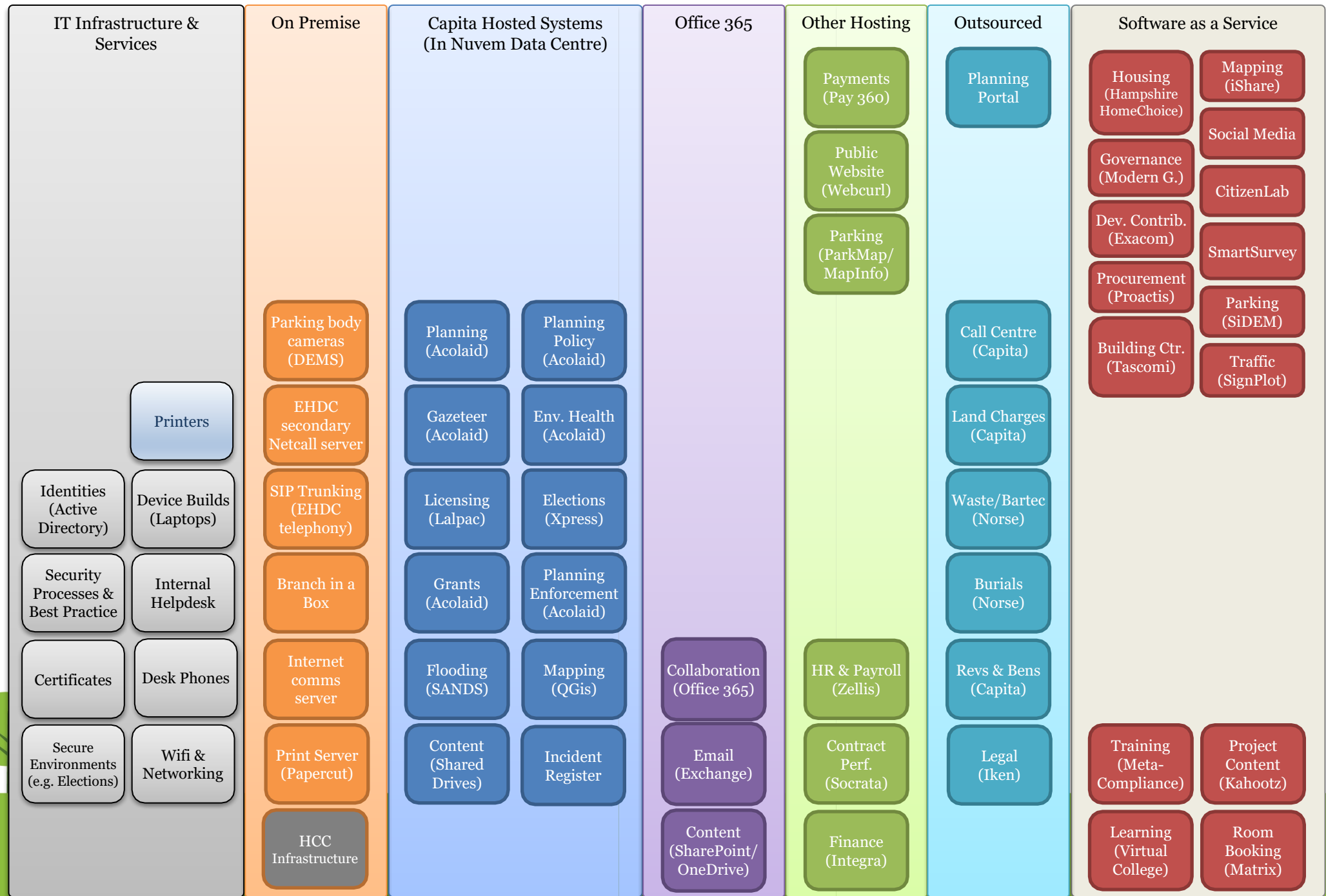


The challenge - ICT Roadmap to 2025+

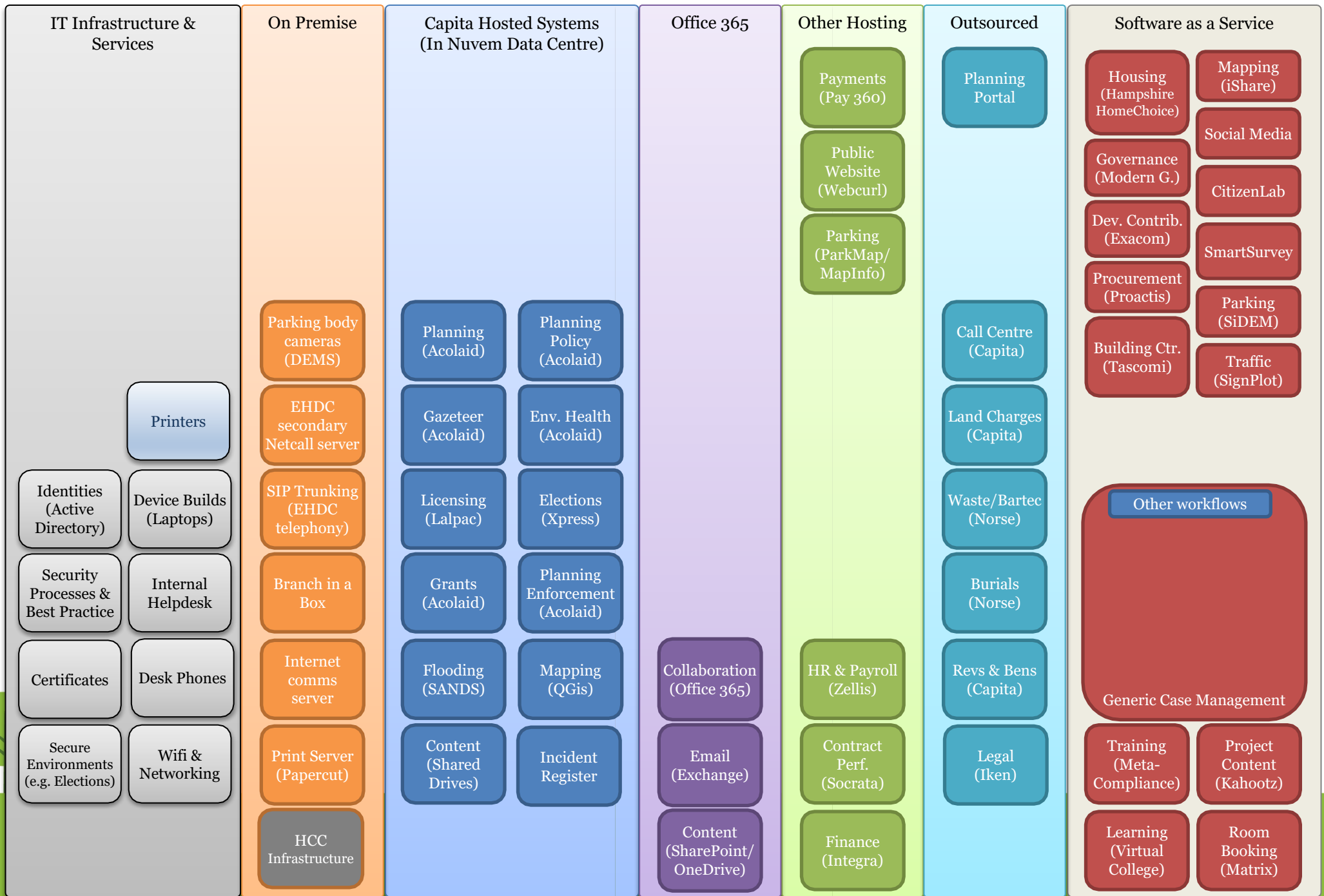
- Maintain a **secure environment** for services to operate – right tools
- Enhance councillor, resident, and staff experience and **reduce costs by offboarding legacy application platforms**
- Support new ways of working, including **new technology exploration and implementation**
- Establish a **procurement process for a new ICT provider** within timeline
- **5C Exit** – Plan and develop the exit of ICT from the 5Cs contract
- To **reduce 5C costs** within the remaining term of the contract – **Sept '25**



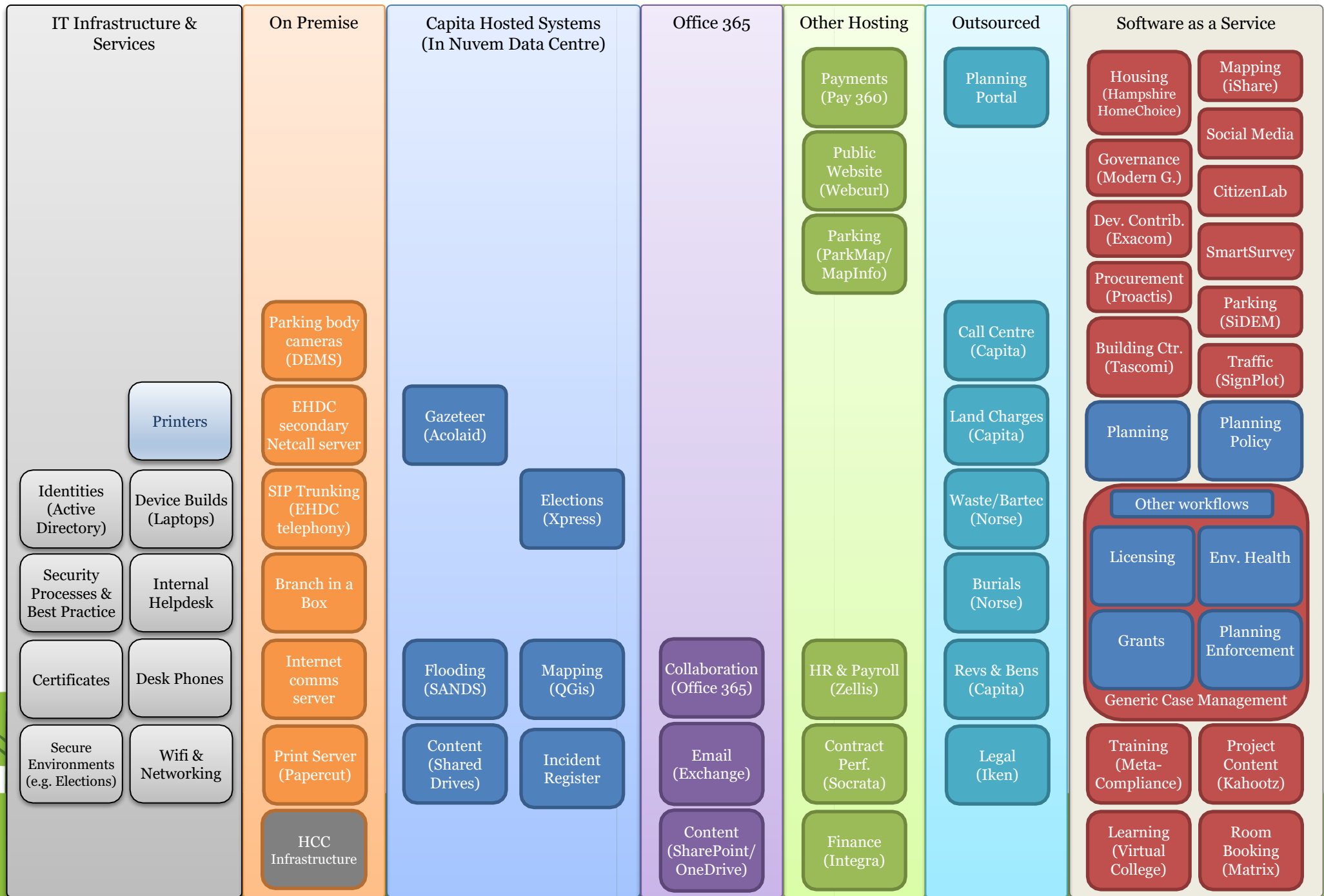
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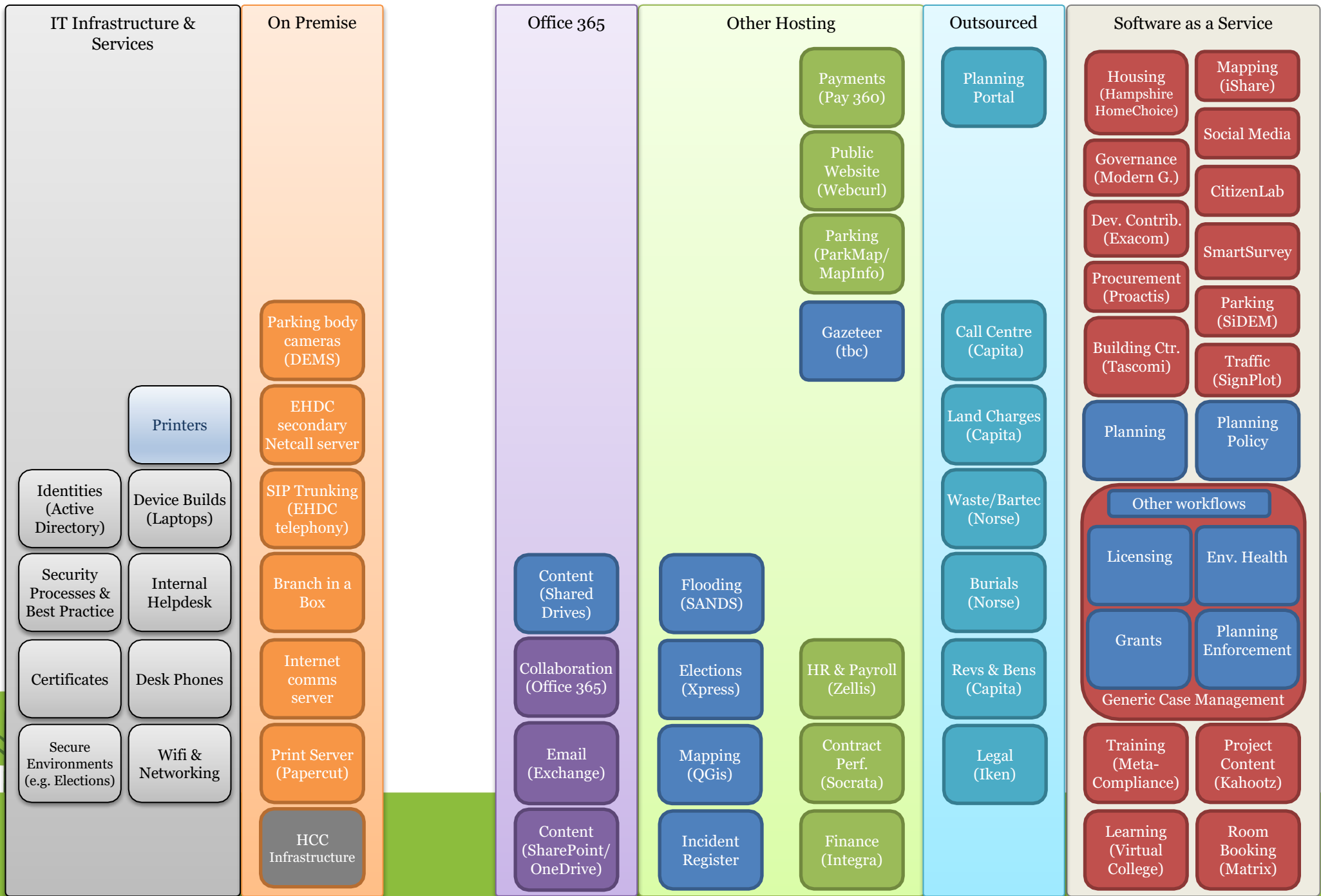
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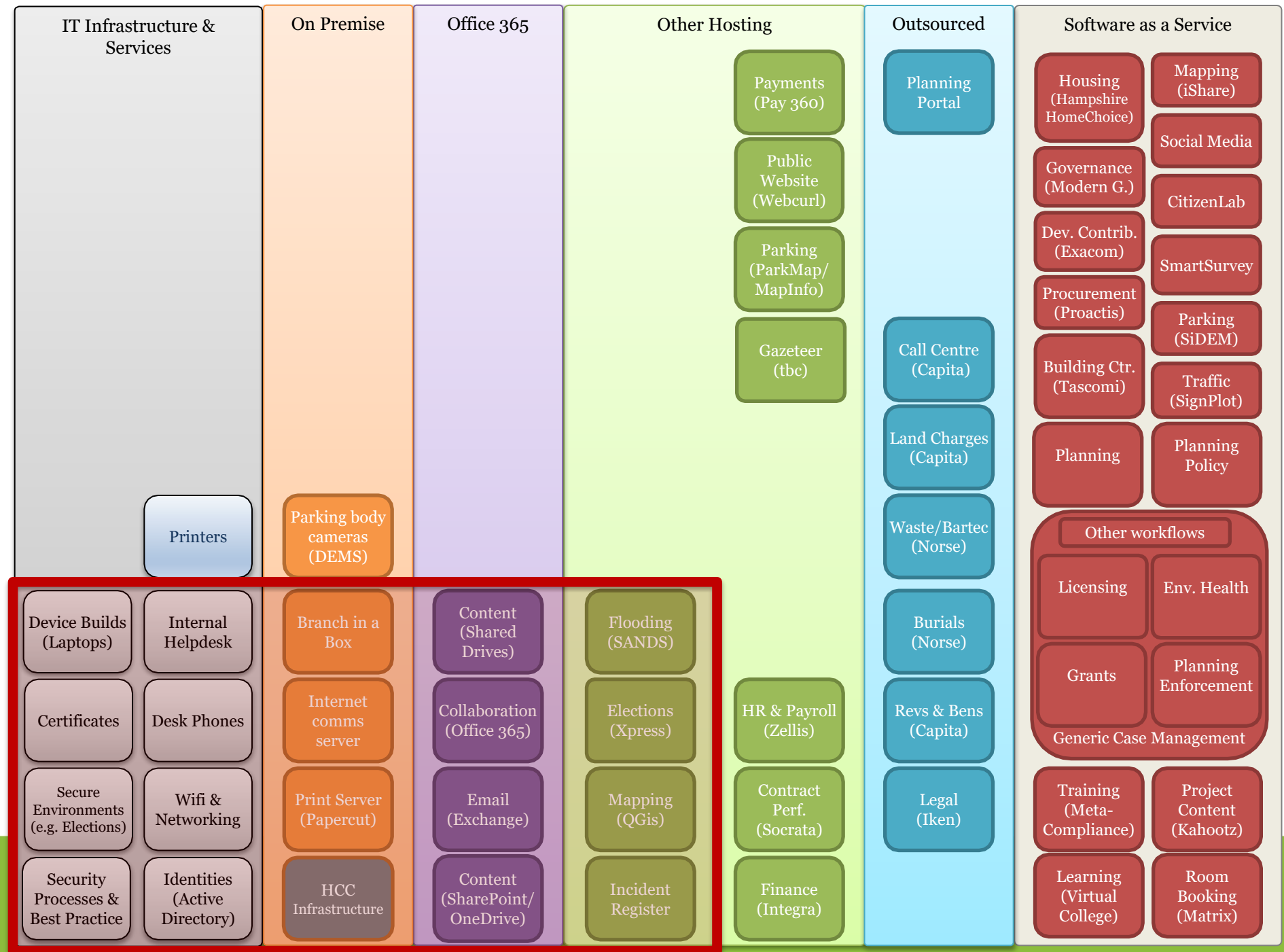


Move to Target architecture (3/4)



Our Target architecture

Items covered by new ICT Supplier (Prime Contractor)



Future IT Infrastructure and Security Options

The following four options for the IT Infrastructure and security have been considered:

Option 1 – Single supplier (prime contractor); private or public sector

Option 2 - Bring in-house

Option 3 - Partnership; shared ownership and shared governance

Option 4 - Multiple smaller supplier/partners

Recommended: Option 1 – seek a single supplier (prime contractor); private or public sector



Comparative Analysis

Criteria	Option 1 – Single ICT supplier	Option 2 – Internal ICT provision	Option 3 – Shared Partner ICT provision	Option 4 – Multiple smaller partners
Value for Money	VHQ	LQ	AQ	AQ
Experience for Councillors & Staff	VHQ	VHQ	AQ	LQ
Minimise risk burden	VHQ	LQ	AQ	LQ
Flexibility	HQ	AQ	LQ	VHQ
Reliability	VHQ	AQ	HQ	AQ
Ease of migration and transition	VHQ	LQ	AQ	LQ

Option 1 represents the lowest risk and provides the best value for money and user experience, reliability and ease of migration.

Option 1 is our recommended approach:
Tender to a single supplier (prime contractor); private or public sector



HBC 5Cs ICT Exit & SaaS procurement timeline - Milestones

