**Funding principles**

The following principles were approved by the Vice-Chancellor’s Information Management Board in June 2009:

1. The directly attributable costs of all systems which are the responsibility of a business unit should be met by the business unit.

2. Directly attributable costs should include the purchase, replacement and growth costs of servers, storage, maintenance, operating system, database management system and other system software, and direct costs of backup.

3. The formula used to determine the directly attributable costs be made available on the ITS website.

4. Business units should consult with ITS in drawing up an agreed schedule of equipment replacement.

5. When undertaking a new initiative the business unit consult with ITS to determine hardware requirements and to identify the ongoing costs and the funding source for meeting those costs.

6. The costs of any development and integration work associated with a system which is the responsibility of a business unit should be met by that unit.

7. Business units should consult with ITS in drawing up an agreed schedule of software upgrade.

8. ITS should be responsible for meeting the staffing costs incurred in meeting its responsibilities as outlined in the paper ‘Enterprise system support at UWA’. The costs of any extraordinary support should be met by the business unit requesting it.

9. The costs of desktop equipment replacement in central administration should be met by the business units.

10. Service level agreements should take into account additional workload arising from with older equipment.

11. A rolling four year replacement cycle for desktop equipment in central administration should be drawn up.