



**Local Full Fibre Networks Programme
Gigabit Broadband Voucher Scheme
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Introduction

Up until the end of November 2019, the Scheme had connected over 17,300 premises supported by vouchers with a value of just over £36.3m. In addition, almost 9,800 vouchers - with a value of around £18.1m - are issued pending connection. This commits around £54.4m of the available LFFN £67.8m fund.

The rural fund has committed almost £6m worth of voucher since May 2019. The rural vouchers are part of the £200m Rural Gigabit Connectivity Programme.

Supplier payments and site visits during Christmas and New Year

As stated in Bulletin #21, please note that there will be no payment run on **26 December 2019**. Our next planned payment cycle is scheduled to take place on Thursday 2 January 2020.

Between 24 December 2019 and 2 January 2020 no site visits will take place. This may delay payments on a small number of vouchers. Claimed connections which have been selected for a site visit are identified on your voucher download as “visit required”.

Scheme Changes - Effective Date - REMINDER

Supplier Bulletin #8 introduced a number of changes to the Scheme. The effective date of some of these changes were planned for a later date. For all LFFN Project PRPs **the final date on which any voucher may be requested with a value greater than £2,500 is 7 January 2020 at noon.**

Please note: the Scheme terms and conditions defined this effective date as 1 January 2020, however the accompanying graphic in Supplier Bulletin #8 showed 7 January 2020. We have decided to implement the change at **noon on 7th January** and therefore in respect of this change previous references to 1 January 2020 should be treated as references to 7 January 2020.

Voucher Commitment

Suppliers are reminded that no commitment exists to fund a connection supported by a voucher until the voucher has been issued by us. We will honour all vouchers we issue and that are delivered in compliance with the Scheme Terms & Conditions.



PRP approval does not confer a commitment to issuing vouchers, and suppliers should note that no further vouchers will be issued when the LFFN voucher fund is assessed to be fully committed. Suppliers requesting further LFFN voucher funded projects should be aware that we have already received project applications which, potentially, could result in voucher requests beyond the remaining headroom for that fund.

If you have any questions about the Scheme please contact us using the support function when signed in on the portal.

Thank you

Season's greetings and best wishes for a well-connected 2020

