



**Gigabit Broadband Voucher Scheme  
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## **Introduction**

Following the successful launch of the UK Gigabit Voucher (UKGV), please see below for a few short but important notes.

## **Clarification on Terms and Conditions**

Single premises are not eligible under the Scheme Terms and Conditions (they do not constitute a project).

For the avoidance of doubt, we have updated the GBVS Terms and Conditions which will apply for all Projects submitted from today and are explicit in this regard. This is the only change from v.7.0 of the Terms and Conditions.

## **Challenges to Eligibility Results - Project Review or Voucher Request**

The change from postcodes to UPRN level data has allowed BDUK to use better systems and processes to derive eligibility results for UPRNs at Project review and voucher request stage. These premises level checks ensure that the right premises receive the right funding.

At the Project review stage, we will now give you a snapshot of the eligibility of the postcodes provided with detail about if all, some or none of the premises are eligible. We are not able to provide further information on which eligibility criteria a postcode or premises didn't meet if it is found to not be eligible.

Individual premises can be checked on the GBVS site with the address checker, which will provide further detail on which criteria an ineligible premise didn't meet.

As a reminder, Approval of a Project does not guarantee eligibility of a UPRN, these are only confirmed at the voucher request stage. So whilst a Project may be Approved, that does not mean all of the premises within that Project will be eligible for a voucher when this is requested.

## **Trade Body Membership**

As per the Scheme Terms and Conditions Suppliers must be a member of a trade body for the duration of registration on the Scheme. As part of our ongoing assurance activities, we will be conducting checks on all Supplier's trade body memberships. Where BDUK identifies issues, it will invoke the Scheme's Issue Escalation procedure.



## Reminder - Top Up Funding

The following Local Bodies have confirmed their Top Up Funding for the UKGV:

Cambridgeshire & Peterborough  
Dorset  
East Sussex  
Scotland  
Shropshire  
Warwickshire  
West Sussex

Additional Top Ups are likely to be confirmed after the pre-election sensitivity period ends on 7th May. We will share information of any further Top Up Funding before that date, if possible.

You will not see Projects with any other Top Up as Active until the Top Up is confirmed. If you want to continue immediately with a Project which has an unconfirmed Top Up, you can notify us by raising a support ticket. In order to continue with these Projects, you will need to remove the Top Up Funding to request additional vouchers. If you wish to wait until the Top Up is confirmed, then these projects will remain suspended until that is the case.

There is no guarantee that a Top Up which was live for the RGC element of the Scheme will be confirmed as active for UKGV. If this is the case and Local Bodies confirm the Top Up Funding is no longer available, we will be in touch with impacted Suppliers to discuss the relevant Projects.

For a broader overview of BDUK's work, please also see this webpage:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/building-digital-uk>

The Digital Connectivity Portal here:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/digital-connectivity-portal>

Other useful information and updates can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/resources-for-communications-network-providers>

If you have any questions about the Scheme please contact us using the Support function when signed into the website.