



**Gigabit Broadband Voucher Scheme  
Supplier Bulletin #86  
Wednesday 28th September 2022**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**New funding platform**

We are excited to announce that later this year we will be launching a new funding platform for vouchers that will replace WordPress. The platform has been developed using supplier feedback and will offer improved efficiency, functionality and usability.

We will be providing regular updates on the rollout of the new platform, as well as training and instructions for all users. To help us to prepare for rollout we would be grateful if all suppliers planning to continue engagement with the voucher scheme in 2023 could complete this short questionnaire: [BDUK Funding Platform Survey](#).

Please aim to complete this survey by COP Monday 10th October.

An indicative timeline for training will be provided in due course.

**Upcoming voucher project submission deadline**

This is a reminder that voucher eligibility will be paused for all premises, in the below Lots, in line with closure of the Public Review, after 5pm on Friday 07 October, except for those premises within active voucher projects which are given voucher priority area status.

**Lots in 3A - Friday 07 October**

- Herefordshire (Lot 15)
- Lincolnshire (including NE Lincolnshire and N Lincolnshire) and East Riding (Lot 23)
- Cheshire (Lot 17)
- Gloucestershire (Lot 18)

**Voucher priority area (VPA) data update**

After 5pm on Friday 07 October any newly classified VPAs that were identified during intervention area (IA) design, before Friday 30th September, for Lots where voucher pauses have already been implemented but procurement is yet to launch, will also be updated.

Please remember we are not accepting new project applications in Lots after the closure of a Public Review (PR) up until the contract award for areas in procurement. This was outlined in the previous [Supplier Bulletin #78](#).

If a project is submitted before a PR closes, it will be reviewed as part of the intervention area design.



### **Future voucher project submission deadline**

Voucher eligibility will be paused for all premises, in the below Lots, in line with closure of the Public Review, after 5pm on Friday 04 November, except for those premises within active voucher projects which are given voucher priority area status.

### **Lots in 3B - Friday 04 November**

- Essex (Lot 21)
- Northern North Yorkshire (Lot 31)
- Newcastle and North Tyneside (Lot 38)
- Birmingham and the Black Country (Lot 35)
- Merseyside and Greater Manchester (Lot 36)
- Greater London (Lot 37)

As a reminder, the Supplier Terms and Conditions can be found at the following link -

<https://gigabitvoucher.culture.gov.uk/for-suppliers/tcs/>

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.