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GIGABIT BROADBAND VOUCHER SCHEME

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Broadband for Rural Communities



NEW Some of the hardest-to-reach places in the UK are eligible for additional funding towards the cost of installing gigabit-capable broadband to their premises when part of a group project.

How do you qualify?

1. Premises must be in rural areas
2. Available broadband speeds must be less than 100 Megabits per second (and not gigabit-capable)
3. You must be part of a group project (two or more premises)

You can check whether you are likely to be eligible for our rural gigabit voucher and search for a registered supplier by looking up your postcode on **gigabitvoucher.culture.gov.uk**

Claim your voucher - up to £7000 available!

A **gigabit** is the same as 1,000 megabits - so it's a big leap forward in connection speeds that will benefit you into the future.

Full fibre is optic fibre cable connected all the way to your premises that is capable of delivering gigabit-capable broadband speed.

What do you do next?

1. Talk to suppliers active in your area for the connection deal that is right for you.
2. Your chosen supplier will advise you on your eligibility and guide you through the process.
3. You must commit to a 12-month contract with your supplier for downloads speeds that are double your current speed and at least 30 Mbps through a gigabit-capable connection.

ARE YOU **READY?**

PART OF THE UK GIGABIT PROGRAMME

Why full-fibre?

Full fibre networks are future proof. They can deliver the connection speeds we need - not only today but far into the future.



Getting ready for a gigabit speed with full fibre connections will support increasing demand for

- online business applications
- internet connected devices
- cloud data storage
- cyber security systems
- streamed services such as video conferencing
- remote and flexible working for employees



Demand for greater and greater digital connectivity around the home is only set to accelerate for

- video and music streaming
- cloud storage
- video calling
- use of internet connected devices
- flexible working opportunities

Are you ready?

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