

ABERDEEN CITY REGION DEAL:

Powering Tomorrow's World

Report Name	Digital Infrastructure Business Case
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Governance	City Region Deal Joint Committee
Exemption	Report is Public- Appendix A is exempt

1:	Purpose of the Report
i.	A gap analysis of digital infrastructure was undertaken for the region and this outline business case (Appendix A) proposes options to address these gaps.

2:	Recommendations for Action
i.	To approve the potential options for interventions into the market as detailed in the business case.
ii.	To approve the outline business case and instruct The Digital Programme Manager to undertake a full business case.

3:	Summary of Key Information
I.	The Aberdeen City Region Deal Digital programme as well as other Council digital initiatives has resulted in a greatly improved level of both fixed and mobile infrastructure investment in the region
II.	National initiatives such as the Scottish Government R100 programme will also drive investment in the region.
III.	The City Region Deal is eager to build upon these initiatives and develop a plan for continued investment and intervention. There is a requirement for a GAP analysis and subsequent proposals to address any infrastructure shortfalls in the region. In order to achieve this the following has been undertaken:

3:	Summary of Key Information
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • assess commercial infrastructure currently installed and planned in the priority areas • review public sector infrastructure and requirements • assess implications for future Aberdeen City Region Deal programmes to address gaps in the market and the implications for funding and procurement approach. • A gap analysis of digital infrastructure was undertaken for the region and solutions determined as to how these gaps will be addressed. • Consultation undertaken with the digital working group UK/SG including equalities and have all provided feedback and comment.

4:	Finance and Risk
	<p>i. To be financed from the Digital workstream budget</p>