Digital Inclusion Innovation Fund
Annex B: Assessment Framework

Criteria	Consideration of criteria	Scoring	Weight	Available marks
Rationale and value for money	A strong rationale for intervention including identifying the digital inclusion challenge(s) that the scheme is intended to address and the outcomes expected. This explanation should reference how the proposal supports at least one of the Fund objectives and at least one of the Digital Inclusion Action Plan Focus Areas and key demographics. Explain why funding this project is an efficient use of government funding including how the benefits outweigh the costs and why funding this project is better than doing nothing.	**1-4**	**X 5**	**20**
Innovation	Clear explanation of why the proposed project is innovative, including clear identification of how the proposal will produce new knowledge on 'what works' and build the evidence base on effective digital inclusion interventions. This must include strong demonstration of how the proposed project meets the R&D criteria set out in the Government's Consolidated Budget Guidance.	**1-4**	**X 5**	**20**
Best practice	Clear explanation of how this project will replicate or scale best practice. This should include evidence to demonstrate past success of the example of best practice along with details of how the proposal will either replicate or expand on that success.	**1-4**	**X 5**	**20**
Deliverability and Sustainability	Who will lead on key activities, for example, project management, etc within your team? What role project will partners take in the project? Provide a project activity and delivery plan, setting out key activities, risks, and timescales for completing your projects (including how you will ensure the project timescales are met). What is your resource capability and project management including skills & experience in delivering this type of project?	**1-4**	**X 5**	**20**

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	Provide a strong rationale for why the proposed project will continue to support the local community and improve digital inclusion even after the funding has concluded.			
Monitoring and evaluation	Provide a clear explanation of how and what data will be collected. Identify clear KPIs for how the success of the programme will be measured.	**1-4**	**X 5**	**20**
Sufficient resource and capability	**[For those applicants (and/or partners) involved in more than one application]** Provide an explanation with proof of your ability to manage all responsibilities, including sufficient resource capabilities and clear governance structures, should you be successful in securing funding for all/more than 1 of the projects you intend to participate in.	**N/A**	**N/A**	**Not Scored -** only taken into account if the applicant is involved in more than 1 successful application

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