



Introduction to the Enabling Digital Delivery Team



Cambridgeshire and Peterborough are among the first areas in the country to set up a specific team to tackle the barriers to delivering a future proof digitally connected infrastructure.

Digital connectivity is a vital part of the area's infrastructure and a key component to underpin the region's growth and prosperity. This has been recognised by the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority, which is funding the development of the team within the Connecting Cambridgeshire Programme, led by Cambridgeshire County Council.

The Enabling Digital Delivery (EDD) Team is responsible for:

- Taking action at a local level to remove barriers to the rapid delivery of a digital connectivity infrastructure
- Enabling and encouraging investment in all aspects of digital connectivity across the region
- Finding ways to reduce delays and costs, simplify processes and encourage best practice
- Developing strategic relationships with providers and mobile network operators working across multiple public sector bodies and boundaries
- Providing a central contact point to facilitate and help coordinate the delivery of wayleaves, street works licences and planning, as well as making public sector assets available
- Working closely with the Governments Barrier Busting Task Force to ensure local learning can be shared nationally and support national initiatives at a local level.

One of the initial stages of developing the EDD service is the review of existing processes and procedures across the boundaries of local authorities in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough, to recognise the strengths that can be shared, consider standardising across boundaries and understanding the issues that need to be overcome.

To help facilitate this work we are initially asking for service experts in planning, wayleave management and highways and streetworks licencing to form a number of working groups. The working groups will help to build an understanding of how each authority delivers the services in question and then look at what can be done to recognise problems, reduce delays and review and recommend enhancements to delivery models.

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