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# Planning Project Gigabit in Scotland - Lot 4 - Fife, Perth and Kinross

Scottish Government

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# Section I: Contracting authority

### I.1) Name and addresses

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#### Country

United Kingdom

#### NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.scotland.gov.uk

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA1048

### I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

### I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

# I.5) Main activity

Other activity

**Digital Connectivity** 

# **Section II: Object**

# II.1) Scope of the procurement

### II.1.1) Title

Project Gigabit in Scotland - Lot 4 - Fife, Perth and Kinross

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 64200000 - Telecommunications services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Deployment of infrastructure using the Gigabit Infrastructure Subsidy scheme that will facilitate access to gigabit capable internet connections to premises which are not expected to be otherwise covered by suppliers' commercial plans.

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

# II.2) Description

#### II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 32412100 Telecommunications network
- 32425000 Network operating system
- 32412000 Communications network
- 32562300 Optical-fibre cables for data transmission
- 32570000 Communications equipment
- 45231600 Construction work for communication lines
- 45232300 Construction and ancillary works for telephone and communication lines

- 64227000 Integrated telecommunications services
- 45232332 Ancillary works for telecommunications
- 50330000 Maintenance services of telecommunications equipment
- 32510000 Wireless telecommunications system
- 50332000 Telecommunications-infrastructure maintenance services
- 50334400 Communications system maintenance services
- 64210000 Telephone and data transmission services
- 32000000 Radio, television, communication, telecommunication and related equipment
- 32572000 Communications cable
- 32420000 Network equipment
- 32424000 Network infrastructure
- 45314000 Installation of telecommunications equipment
- 32500000 Telecommunications equipment and supplies
- 45314310 Installation of cable laying
- 32571000 Communications infrastructure
- 32412110 Internet network
- 32572200 Communications cable with coaxial conductors
- 32562100 Optical-fibre cables for information transmission
- 45314300 Installation of cable infrastructure

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKM77 - Perth & Kinross and Stirling

• UKM72 - Clackmannanshire and Fife

#### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Gigabit Infrastructure Subsidy scheme forms part of Project Gigabit. Project Gigabit is a UK Government funded programme aimed at supporting the build of gigabit-capable broadband infrastructure in areas of the UK which are unlikely to attract commercial investment within a reasonable time frame, if at all (referred to as the final 20% (f20)).

Building Digital UK (BDUK) is an executive agency of the Department of Science, Innovation and Technology. BDUK is targeting market interventions in f20 areas of the UK through the award of subsidised contracts to support the build of gigabit-capable networks providing long-term, sustainable wholesale gigabit broadband infrastructure in the hardest to reach parts of the UK.

As part of Project Gigabit, the Scottish Government is working with BDUK to deliver contracts to suppliers delivering gigabit-capable wholesale infrastructure in Scotland (Project Gigabit in Scotland). This procurement approach is a successor to the Digital Scotland Superfast Broadband programme and will work in parallel with the Scottish Government's current Reaching 100% (R100) programme.

The Scottish Government is currently running a Project Gigabit in Scotland procurement in Orkney & Shetland Islands. Subject to supplier interest, the procurement covering Fife, Perth and Kinross in Scotland is expected to relaunch in September 2025. It is anticipated this will be procured using the restricted procedure. The estimated date of publication of contract notice is set out at II.3). All dates are indicative and subject to change. The launch of each procurement is subject to the Scottish Government and BDUK being confident that there is the market interest in each procurement to lead to successful contract award.

The Scottish Government and BDUK reserve the right not to proceed to procure the Proposed Procurement Areas detailed in this Prior Information Notice and the Information Pack. This is not a commitment from the Scottish Government or BDUK to launch any procurement(s).

### II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 September 2025

# **Section IV. Procedure**

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

# Section VI. Complementary information

# VI.3) Additional information

Working with BDUK, the Scottish Government is carrying out Soft Market Testing in June 2025 and Pre-procurement Market Engagement in mid/late July 2025 to establish whether a procurement will attract market interest in the Fife, Perth & Kinross area and result in compliant bids.

A Sort Market Testing – Information Pack can be downloaded from the Further Information / Additional Documents tab. The Information Pack provides and overview of proposed procurement area(s) and maps. UPRN lists will be made available after Soft Market Testing as part of PPME. Any maps and UPRN lists for the proposed procurement areas and data within the Information Pack are correct at the date of issue and are subject to update prior to the launch of any procurements.

BDUK and the Scottish Government are also offering, as part of this engagement, 30-minute one-to-one Teams sessions with suppliers. These sessions will be held on either the 27th or the 30th June 2025 via MS Teams. Please contact <u>Gigabit@gov.scot</u> by 17:00 on 25th June 2025 to request a 1:1 session.

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