



# GIGABIT BROADBAND VOUCHER SCHEME

## Bristol business makes a full fibre step-change

Edenvale Young is a Civil Engineering and Scientific Consultancy specialising in the fluvial, coastal and maritime environment. Based in Bristol, the team includes civil engineers, hydrologists, hydraulic modellers, geomorphologists and environmental scientists working on assessment, forecasting, environmental impact and solutions around flooding. Fifteen people work from the office, with remote workers or contractors working from their homes in the UK or other countries.

Despite being situated in the middle of a large city, until February 2018, the business had been reliant on a copper SDSL line giving them a maximum speed of just 8 megabits per second (Mbps). As a result data for colleagues that were working remotely through their virtual private network (VPN) had to be uploaded overnight. Large files for their hydraulic modelling often had to be taken home to send on faster domestic lines and their system back-ups were done by downloading everything onto a hard drive to store off site once a week.

When the team received a leaflet from HNS, a local broadband supplier about the Gigabit Broadband Voucher Scheme they seized on the opportunity to upgrade their connectivity to address their broadband frustrations.

From first enquiry to connection, installation took just over two months and the £1,800 cost of the installation was paid by the gigabit voucher scheme (excluding the VAT) for a connection speed of 1,000 Mbps or 1 gigabit per second.

Edenvale Young Director Dr Gerald Morgan explained the difference it made: "Since the gigabit capable connection has been installed there has been a great step-change in our business.

"We now have 1GB speed so our VPN is accessible day and night from across the world. We are also able to run system back-ups online, every day. We are confident that we have everything that we need for now.

"As for the future: prior to this connection we wouldn't have even thought about data cloud storage but now that is looking like an option that is definitely available to us."



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