

Population

11701

Child Poverty

442

Unemployed

2.6%

Older People in Poverty

13.8%

Older People Living Alone

27.9%

Can not Speak English

0.2%

IMD Ward Rank (/25)

19

IMD Score

20.70

Income Deprivation

13.2%

Ave. Download Speed

90.59

% of prem unable to receive 30Mbit/s

2.14

Digital Inclusion Scoreboard

W. East

Existing Digital Provision

USKPF bid approved to develop one Community Digital Health Hub: Old Barmston Nursery site, to improve connectivity, access to devices and upskilling the workforce / volunteers.

Barmston Village and Fatfield Primaries are members of the NCCE.

Working with Schools on digital careers, work placements and T-qualifications.

Currently building links with VCS organisations, including schools to provide further support.

Encouraging organisations to share activities to a centralised hub to support social prescribing to raise awareness of support available

Significantly influencing investment to install broadband provision in all areas, to ensure no one and no where is left behind.

Challenges to Address

Local insights suggests that low personal data allowances; access to digital devices and lack of digital skills are common barriers to digital inclusion.

People more at risk of digital exclusion are children and young people; people without a job; people on low wages. Further consideration for Veterans, single parents and people with disabilities.

Higher levels of children living in poverty.

Potential Opportunities for Members

Develop more spaces for people to access face to face digital support i.e. Harraton CA, St George's Community Hall

Raise awareness and encourage sign up to the NCCE at St Roberts.

Deliver marketing campaigns to tackle digital exclusion e.g. low cost broadband, being safe online, etc.

Set up a Tech Mates / Buddies Volunteering Scheme

Encourage sign up to the Digital Inclusion Network and operate data banks (like a food bank but instead provides free SIM cards)

Explore funding opportunities to introduce free friendly Wi-Fi into publicly accessible buildings, open spaces and parks. i.e. Riverside

Set up IT donation points and encourage people to gift their old devices which can be upcycled and reused

Set up a Digital Device Loan Scheme or Lending Libraries for digitally excluded households

Promote digital skills and training to residents, volunteers and partners