



DIRECTORS GENERAL ICT COUNCIL COMMUNIQUÉ 7 JUNE 2022

The 25th meeting of the Directors General ICT Council (the Council) was held on 7 June 2022 by video conference.

The Council considered the following matters:

Digital Inclusion in WA Blueprint

The Council were updated on the status of the development of the *Digital Inclusion in WA Blueprint* (the Blueprint). The Blueprint will guide the WA Government's approach to improve digital inclusion outcomes for Western Australians. It addresses the key barriers of connectivity, affordability, skills, and design.

The Council approved the Digital Inclusion Partnership Framework which will be key to implementing the Blueprint, by facilitating strategic and coordinated investment in digital inclusion initiatives across sectors (government and non-government). The Blueprint will address the Digitally Inclusive strategic priority area under the [Digital Strategy for the Western Australian Government 2021-2025](#) (the Digital Strategy).

Whole of Government Data Linkage and Analytics

The Council were briefed on the whole-of-government data analytics and linkage function that will be established within the Office of Digital Government for the better use of the administrative data routinely collected by State Government agencies. Better use of this data will help improve the quality and efficiency of government services and deliver a healthier society, environment and economy.

The Council approved the establishment of an interagency Data Linkage and Advisory Committee to lead strategic data reforms, address intractable barriers to data sharing and lead the development of data linkage infrastructure. The establishment of robust governance structures for data management in the WA public sector supports the key strategic priority areas of the Digital Strategy.

Other business

The Council was briefed on important digital initiatives including the new *Data Availability and Transparency Act 2022* which establishes a best practice scheme for sharing Australian Government data.

The Council also noted updates on the following programs:

- Digital Capability Fund
- ServiceWA App
- eInvoicing Pilot Program
- Privacy and Responsible Information Sharing
- Fuelwatch Enhancement project.

Next meeting

The next meeting of the Council is scheduled for 6 September 2022.