

Exploring the role of Digital for your Charity

Trustee and Senior Leader Workshop 1

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Check in - which image more represents how you feel about digital? And why?



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What we'll cover today

1. Agree definition of digital
2. Create shared understanding of answers to key questions about digital
3. Plan where your charity needs to be by 2023 and what you need to get there
4. Action plan for how to put next steps into practice

Icebreaker

What is your definition of digital?



How The Charity Digital Code of Practice defines digital

Applying the culture,
practices, processes &
technologies of the Internet
era to respond to people's
raised expectations

@coopdigital

What would your definition of digital be?

Increase your charity's impact with digital

Digital is essential for charities to be relevant and to fulfil their purpose in the digital age.

The Charity Digital Code of Practice is for charity professionals looking to get more strategic with digital. The Code can help you figure out the key actions that your charity needs to take to stay relevant and increase your impact, efficiency and sustainability.

Explore the 7 principles



Key points from The Charity Digital Code of Practice

1. Leadership is key
2. Users first
3. Culture eats strategy
4. Strategy is everything
5. Invest in skills
6. Manage risk and ethics
7. Be agile and adapt



More at:

<https://charitydigitalcode.org/covid19/trustees-checklist-covid19/>



Key questions about digital

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About you

1. Where has digital helped or hindered you personally during the pandemic?

Your charity

1. How has your board used digital during the pandemic?
2. How has your charity changed its use of digital during this time?
3. What are you most proud of re Q2?
4. What are the barriers your charity faces in using digital?
5. What could digital look like for your users post pandemic?

Hopes and fears

- What are our hopes for how our charities use digital during 2021?
- What are our fears?





Planning for the future

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Let's pull together a digital vision based on your learnings today.

Complete this statement:

“By 2023 we will be doing X, Y and Z so that we can achieve.....and help our users by.....’

- How might your users' use of digital have changed by this time?
- What do you need to do to get there?

NB your vision will need to be flexible. Be prepared to adapt it in the future!



Action Planning

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Name 3 things your board could do differently after today

Task (homework for session 2)

What boards personally need from their digital lead or CEO so they're confident about making decisions about digital



Check out - what are you taking away from today's session?

Thanks for listening. See you next time!

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