



Welcome to the latest edition of the SDS newsletter

We hope you are all keeping safe and well.

We've been doing a lot of planning for the future this month, with a few new projects coming to fruition there's a lot to look forward to!

Mostly, this month has been planning and working on our new e-learning course around digital accessibility that we are really looking forward to sharing with you! With a real gap in training for some aspects of digital accessibility, we want to train you and your colleagues and set a digital accessibility standard for public services in Kent.

We would also love to hold a partnership meeting next month to find out what projects you have been doing recently. If anyone has an exciting project to present or has any ideas for discussion points please do [contact us!](#)

This month also saw lockdown restrictions getting eased back even further, with only a few restrictions to affect us. This leads us to the question of returning to the office or staying remote. We wrote a blog post about the pros and cons of remote user testing to help you decide what might work best for you for your user testing projects (of course, if you need help with any aspect of user testing, feel free to [contact us!](#))

We also wrote a blog about how we can support local and parish councils with their accessibility issues. This blog includes some ways we can support your local parish councils and neighbourhood plan groups, including making accessible template documents for your council to use. If this sounds like something your parishes might want support with, let us know and we can provide a package of support.

The new year is looking bright for us and we'll make sure to keep you updated in the coming months on [linkedin](#) and [twitter](#) so why not give us a follow? Thank you for reading, check out our blogs below!

Blog posts



[Continue with remote user testing or return to face to face?](#)

As the restrictions are lifting, lots of us are reflecting on the ways we used to work and how we will work in the future.



[Accessibility monitoring of public sector websites and mobile apps 2020-2021](#)

The Central Digital and Data Office (CDDO) issued an accessibility monitoring report detailing the work they have undertaken in 2021.



[Supporting Town and Parish councils to improve their digital accessibility](#)

We can provide a package of support to help parish councils and neighbourhood plan group with their digital accessibility needs.

We are here to help, please get in touch:

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