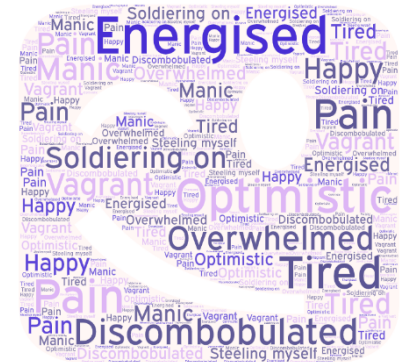


ADEPT Digital Connectivity Working Group

At the ADEPT Digital Connectivity Working Group's first meeting of 2020 on 12 January, ten local authorities were represented as follows: Cambridgeshire, Gloucestershire, Herefordshire, Kent, Northamptonshire, Nottinghamshire, Shropshire, Somerset, Staffordshire and Wolverhampton.

As illustrated in the word cloud, the meeting began with a check-in session with everyone describing how they felt in one word.



The first presentation received was from the Principal Policy Adviser of the Gigabit Take-up Advisory Group (GigaTAG). Initial findings from GigaTAG's recent call for evidence were outlined and an opportunity to share experiences was given.



The second presentation focused on the UK5G project and 5G alleged health effects. The Head of UK5G and the founder of Innovate Comms outlined plans around unlocking the full economic and social benefits that 5G promises. Through a roundtable discussion, the group began exploring a coherent approach to the issue of pervasive anti-5G sentiment.

The ADEPT Digital Connectivity Working Group will be keeping in contact with both organisations on their respective work going forward, for which future progress updates can be expected.

The next ADEPT Digital Connectivity Working Group meeting is scheduled for 20 April 2021.

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