

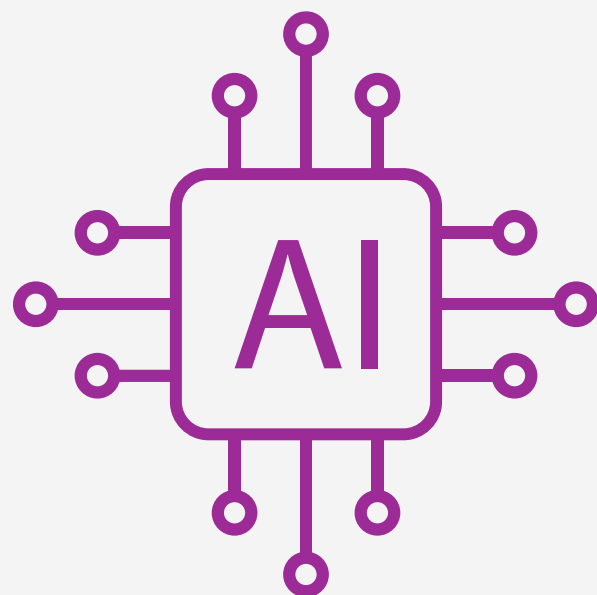
WHERE NOW FOR ENGLISH LOCAL AUTHORITIES?

Lisa Trickey: Lead Adviser Digital Futures

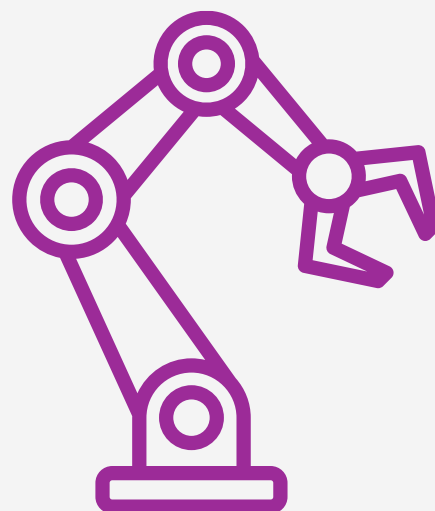
LOCAL GOVERNMENT DIGITAL CONTEXT



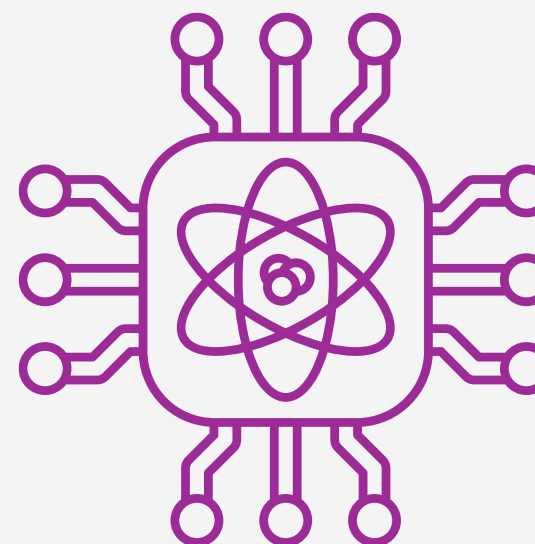
THE WORLD IS CHANGING...



**ARTIFICIAL
INTELLIGENCE**



ROBOTICS



**QUANTUM
COMPUTING**

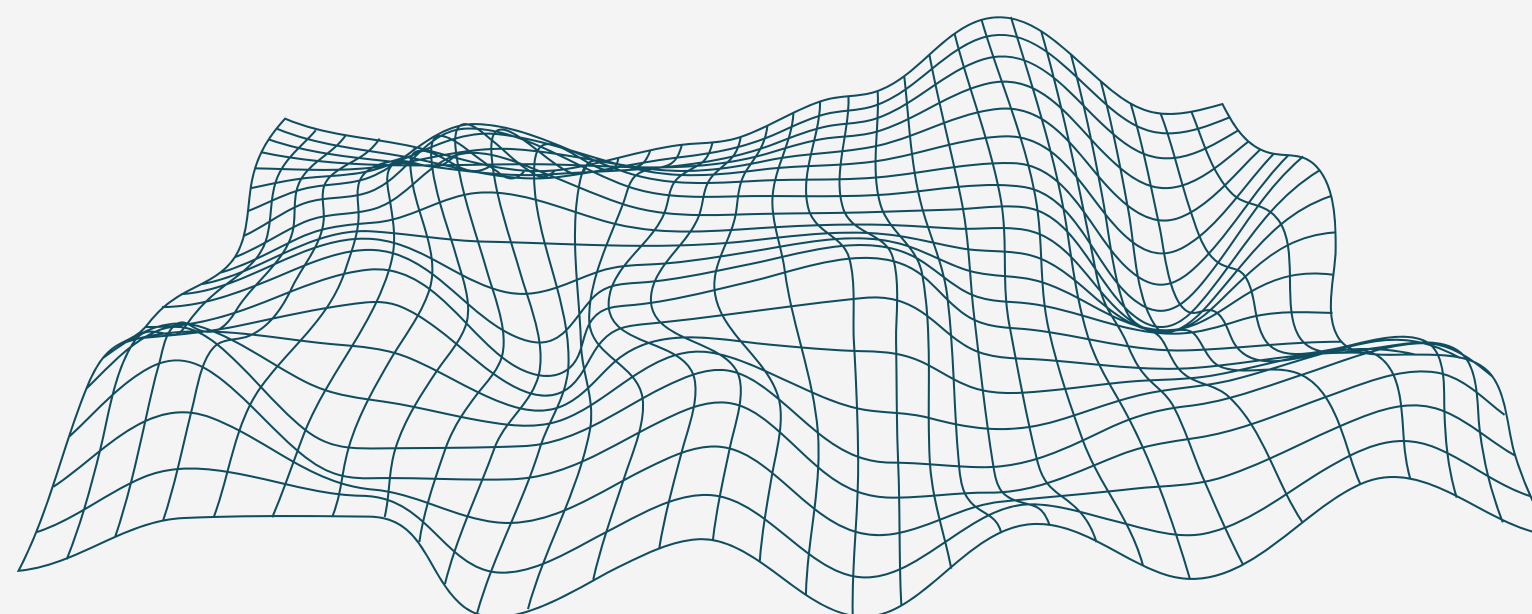


CYBER THREAT

DIGITAL POLICY NATIONAL LANDSCAPE



LOCAL GOVERNMENT DIGITAL LANDSCAPE



DIGITAL SKILLS & LEADERSHIP

The variance in digital skills and capabilities across local government

CDDaT ROLES



2%
of headcount

BUYERS AND BUILDERS



18%
IT vacancy

TECHNICAL SPECIALISTS



67%
of councils difficulty
recruiting
to roles

MANAGERS & LEADERS



48%
capability gap to
lead digital
change

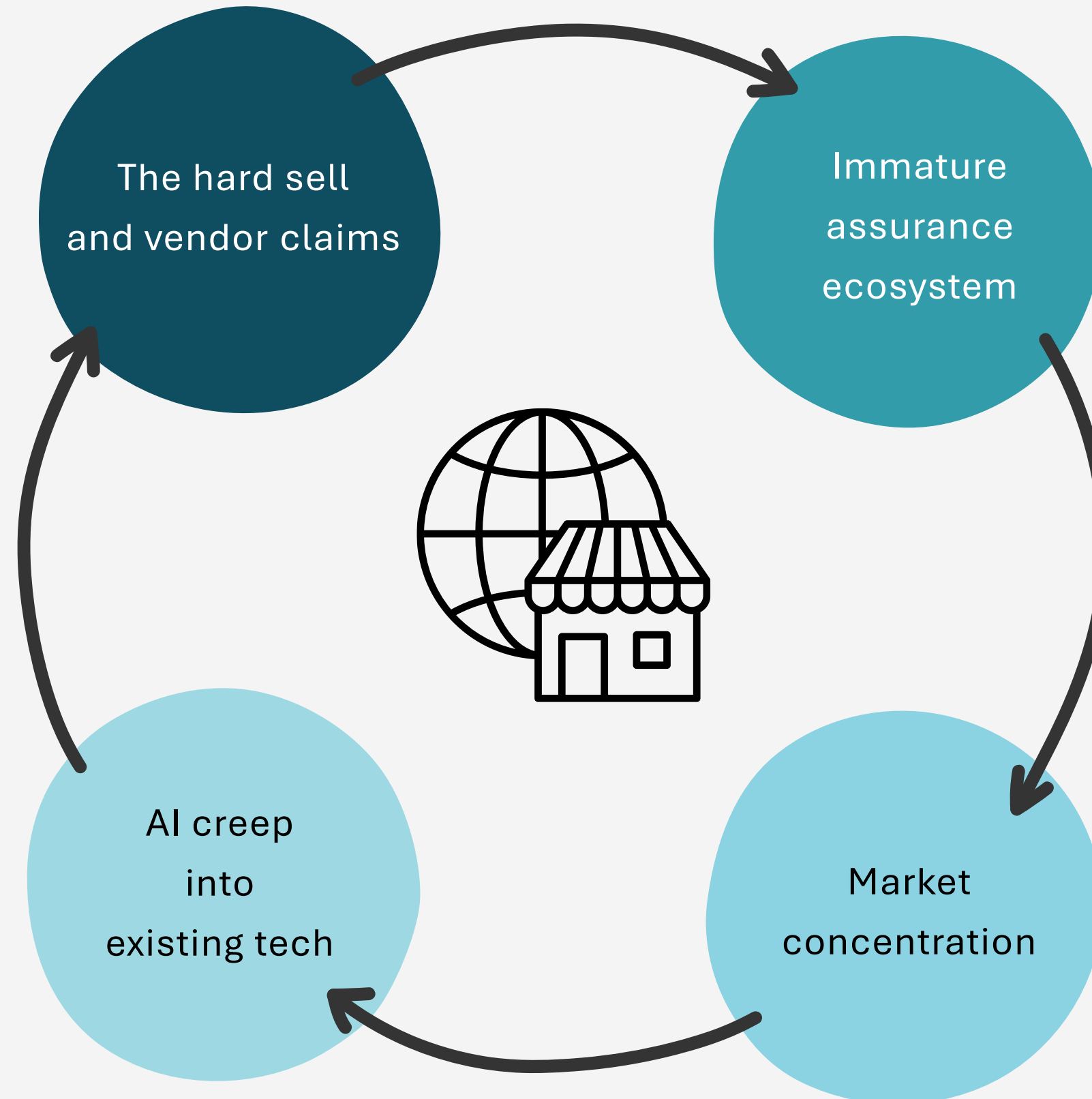
DIGITAL WORKFORCE ENABLEMENT



52%
of workforce lack
all the
basic digital
skills

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT MARKET

Challenges with vendors and making informed decisions



AI ADOPTION IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT



33%

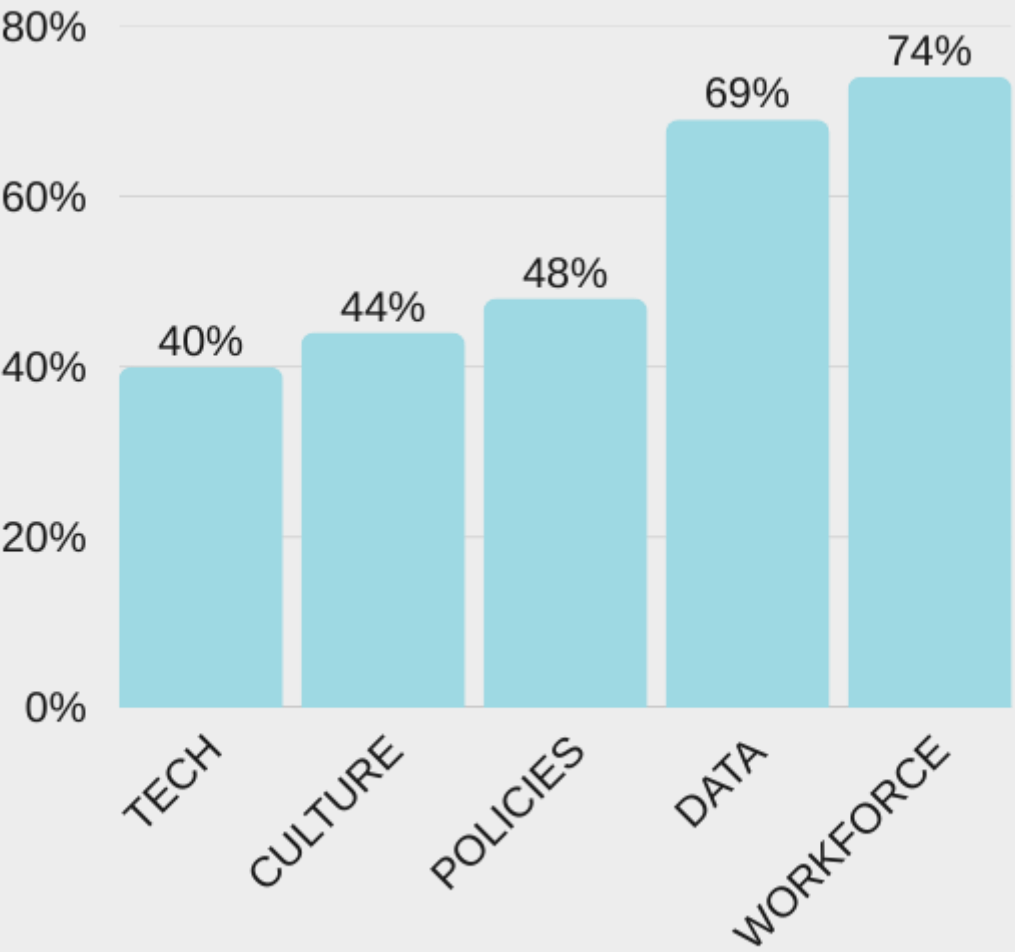
of councils in England completed the survey

95%

of councils piloting or adopting AI

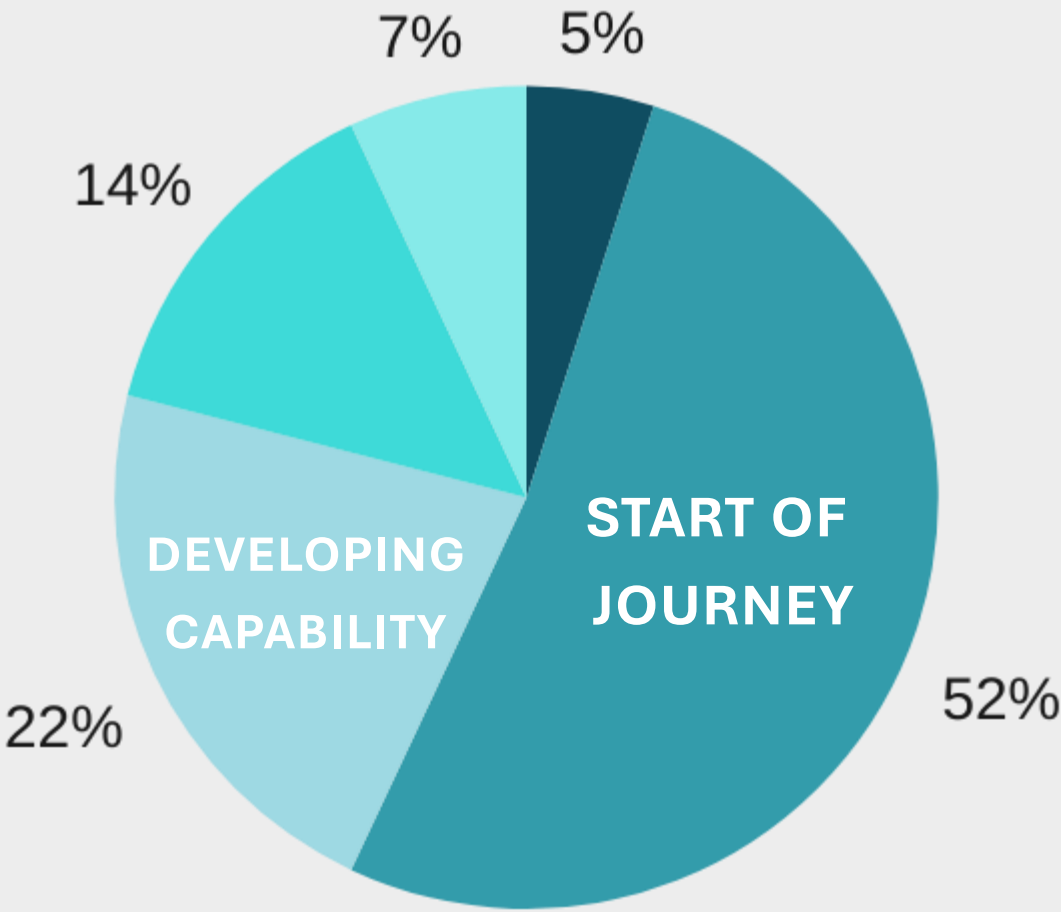
68%

of councils paying external vendors for the provision of AI



COUNCIL'S AI READINESS

Graph shows areas where councils identified themselves as **not ready**




COUNCIL'S AI CAPABILITIES

Graph shows the range capabilities amongst councils in England

RESPONSIBLY BUYING AI

A procurement and commissioning guide for councils in England



A collaboration led by
the LGA with the
EHRC, ICO, and LOTI
using procurement as
a lever for secure
foundations

A step-by-step guide:

- Ask the right questions during procurement and commissioning.
- Embed equality, and data protection considerations into contracts.
- Understand that compliance is ongoing, not one-off.

It aims to:

- Translate complex legal and ethical requirements into practical guidance for local authorities.
- Build confidence in councils.
- Already being used in practice.

SUPPORT TO SCALE



TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION SHOWCASE

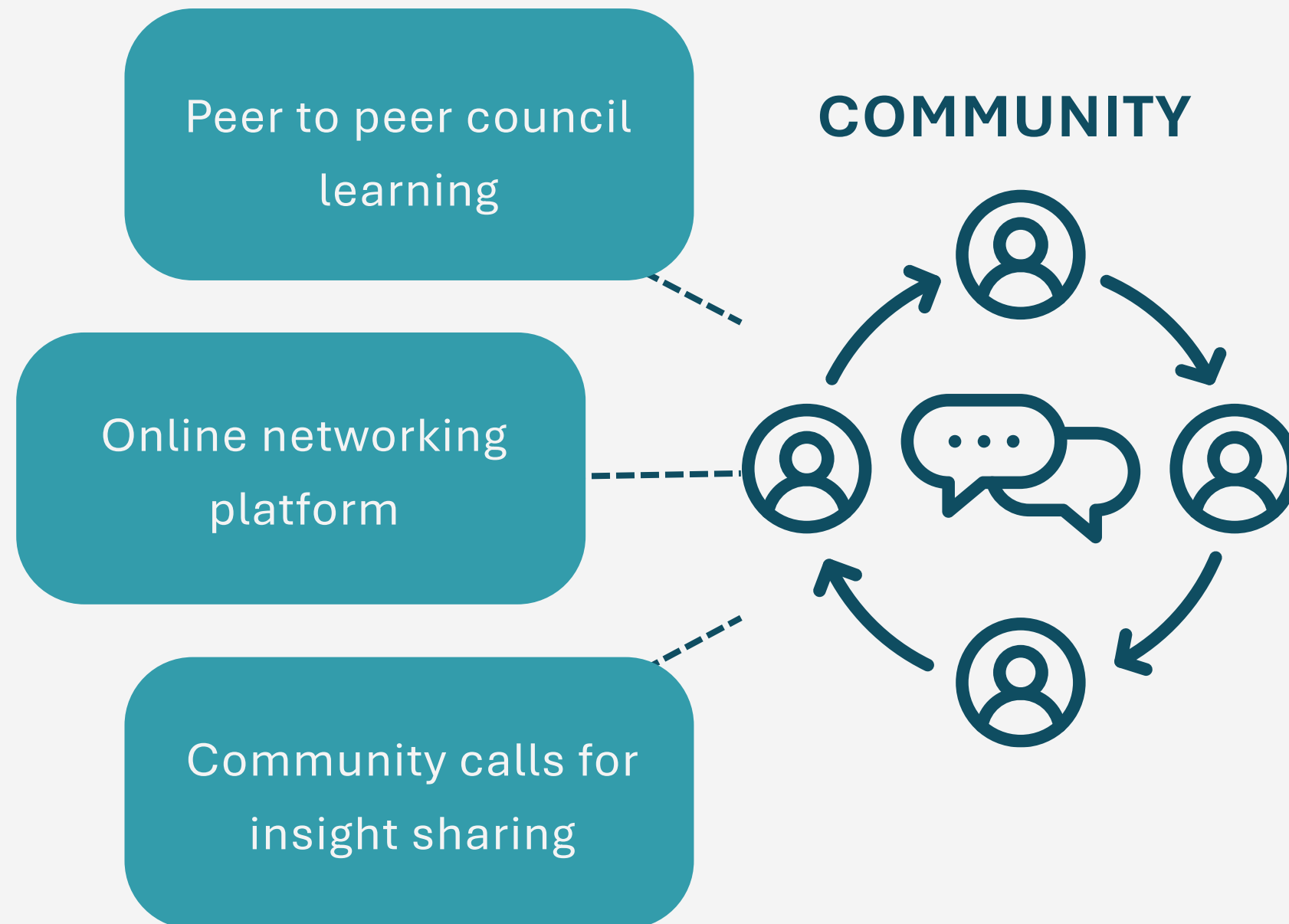
Facilitating council to vendor communication and collaboration



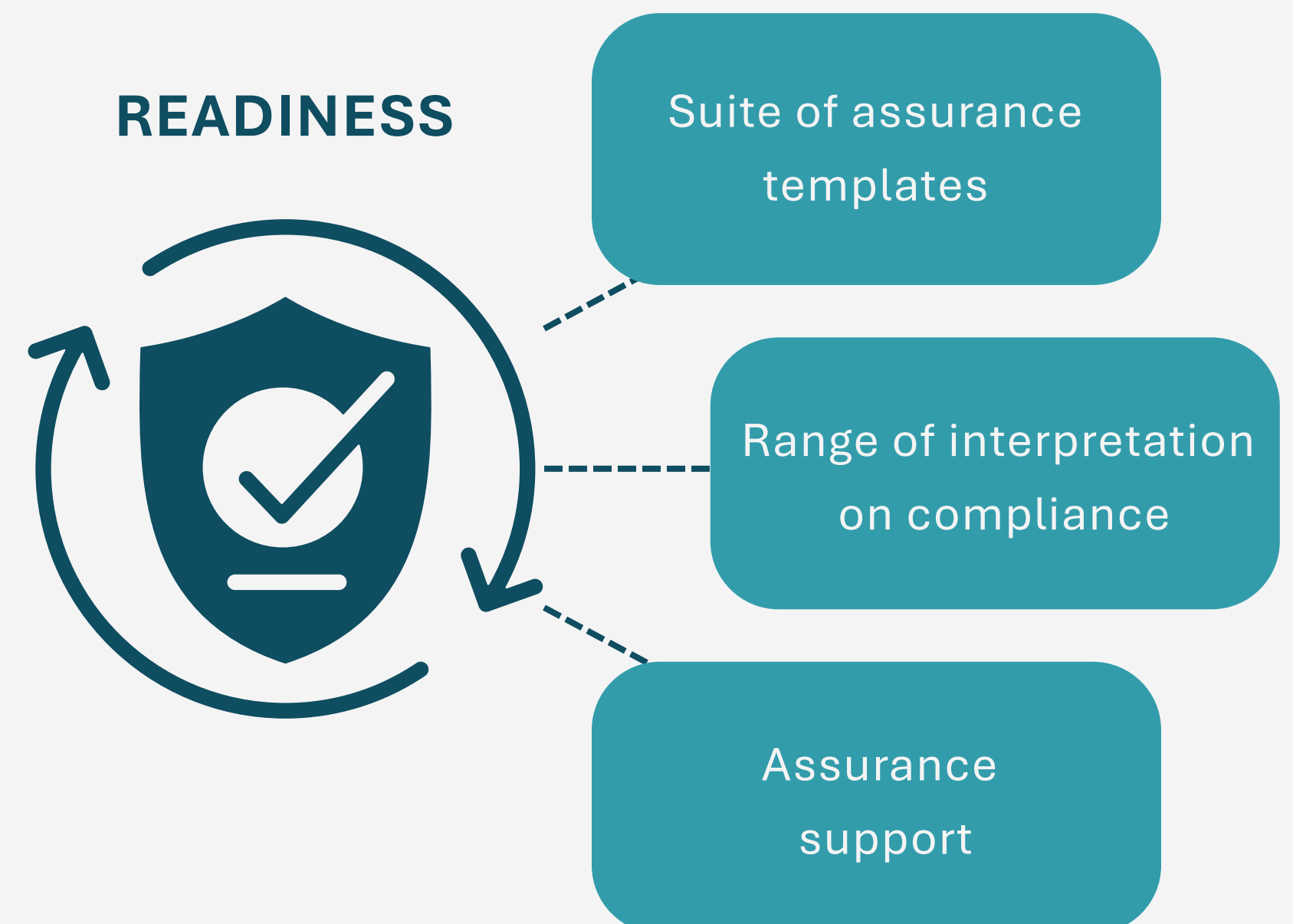
PILOTING AND SCALING AI TOOLS

Supporting councils to safely and responsibly adopt AI

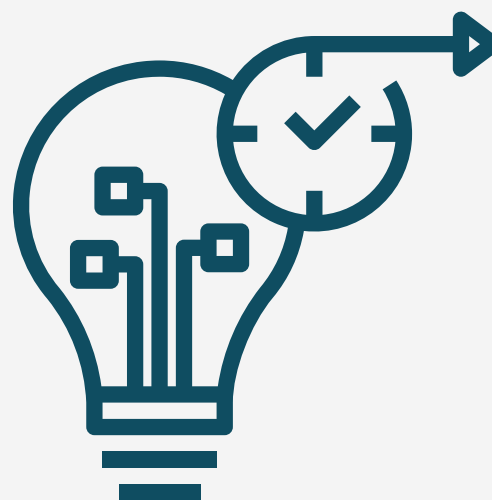
COMMUNITY



READINESS



LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUTURES

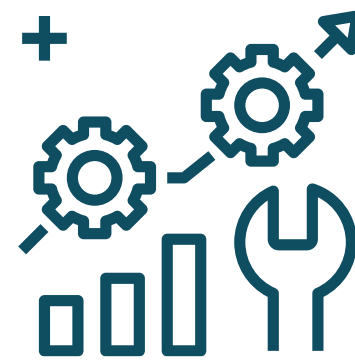


LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION

Findings from LGR, Cyber and DDaT considerations (LGA 2025)

CHALLENGES

- Inconsistent user experience
- Supplier market concentration
- Procurement expertise and capacity
- Digital skills and capabilities

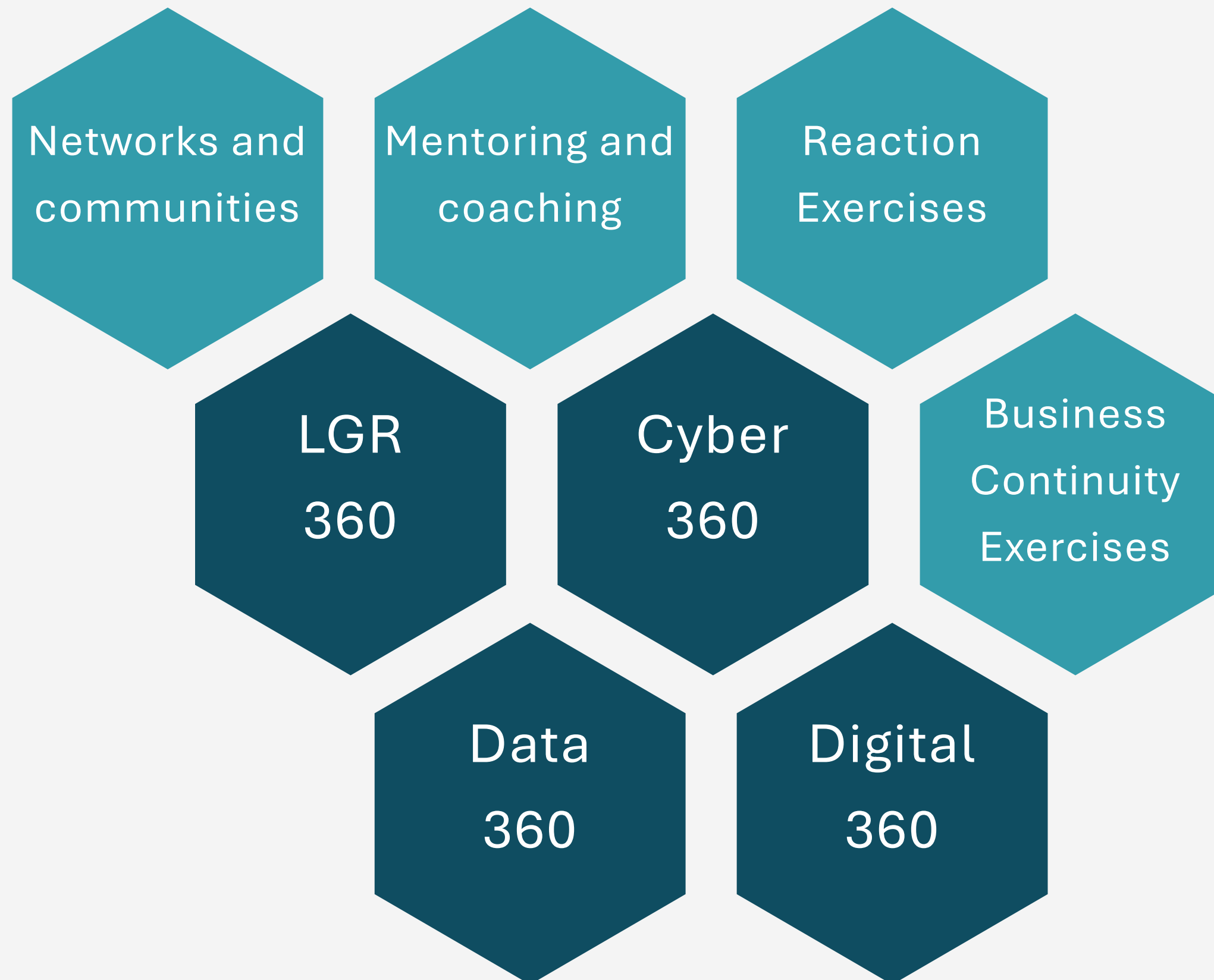


OPPORTUNITIES

- Catalyst for cross sector collaboration
- Establishing strong cyber and DDaT foundations
- Reimagining how digital can transform service delivery
- Promoting digital leadership to shape future ready councils

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