NDX:Try — the UK's Free AI Sandbox for Councils to Test Tools Before They Buy (Pilot, No Results Yet)

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Quality score: 33/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

A DSIT pilot (April 2026) lets councils try AI and digital tools free in a non-production sandbox before buying. Eight guided scenarios; no uptake or outcome data published yet.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured public value	0/3
Transparency, fairness & accountability	1/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	2/3
Scalability beyond pilot	1/3
Governance, capability & sustainability	1/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

C-NAPSE web research — accessed 2026-11-05

Department for Science, Innovation and Technology (DSIT) — accessed 2026-11-05

GOV.UK Technology blog announcement — accessed 2026-11-05

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