

## Being online can help with:

Why get online?

## support is available?

The organisations listed

provide support to develop

skills and confidence in using

What sort of

 Keeping in touch and seeing friends and family

anywhere in the world Finding a lot of helpful information about

different providers

interests/hobbies Saving money on household bills and services by comparing

- Applying for and managing benefits Finding out what benefits/
  - financial assistance you might be entitled to
  - Accessing medical
  - appointments online Keep in touch with

friends and family who

are in hospital

digital devices, as well as directing people to places where they can access a digital device if they do not have one. This includes support to: Stay safe on line

- Improve skills and confidence
- Access your local library for digital support and devices

- Manage and apply for Benefits
- Link in with Near Me video appointments
- Use other online health and social care platforms, e.g. NHS Inform -

www.nhsinform.scot Digital access will benefit other aspects of life e.g. online shopping, banking and staying in touch with friends and/or family.

some benefits. Further information can be found here: https://www.ofcom.org.uk/ home

Search for Social tariffs: cheaper broadband and phone packages. Some areas also offer free mobile data and SIM cards to people who can't afford them. Your local library can give you

further information on these.

Social Broadband tariffs are

available to people claiming

Libraries Libraries are places

website.

Who can help?

in communities to find trusted health and wellbeing information. The opening hours for libraries can be found on your Local Authority Information and support on:

**Connecting Scotland** 

- Choosing a device
- Setting up a device and using the internet
- Advice on cheapest

broadband providers www.connecting.scot/ citizens