

Is nidirect.gov.uk legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 100/100

nidirect.gov.uk

Verdict

100

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

nidirect.gov.uk appears legitimate.

Our checks found nothing pointing to fraud. Ordinary care still applies when you pay or sign in.

Not Scam

Low Risk

Assessed 2026-08-13 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 55%.

What this site appears to be

Official Northern Ireland government citizen services portal (nidirect) providing information, guidance, and links to online services across benefits, motoring, health, housing and more. Contains contact and feedback forms, translation options, and links to external government services.

Evidence status and limitations

- Evidence completeness: UNKNOWN
- The real-world operator identity was not independently verified.
 - Module-level completeness metadata is unavailable for this legacy report.

At a glance

The checks that decide most of this verdict.

Malware engines	None flagged it VirusTotal	CLEAR
Google Safe Browsing	Not listed Google	CLEAR
Abuse reports on the host	0 reports AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count	NOTED
Domain age	Not available No registration record was returned	NOTED
Web archive	Never archived No public history of this site	WATCH
Certificate	Encrypted connection Issued by YR2	NOTED

The page as captured

No screenshot is retained for this report.

Key findings

- Automated classification: Not Scam.
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.

Full analysis

Overview

The website is nidirect, a Northern Ireland public-sector information and citizen-services portal presenting guidance, contacts, translation support, and links covering benefits, motoring, health, housing, employment, travel, and other government services. Its apparent purpose is to help citizens obtain official information and reach relevant public services rather than to sell products, solicit deposits, or facilitate investment activity.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No contradictions were observed. The site's content, structure, and behavior are consistent with a government information portal: the homepage presents service guidance and navigation, while the contacts area provides feedback and contact-request functionality without a login form or sensitive data-collection form. The available reputation evidence is clean, with no malicious, suspicious, phishing, impersonation, or blacklist findings, and no third-party broker warning was recorded. The site therefore presents no identified scam or impersonation indicator, although the real-world operator identity remains likely rather than independently verified.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage identifies a public-service portal covering benefits, motoring, health, housing, employment, travel, and related citizen guidance.
- The contacts page exposes a feedback/contact-request form; technical inspection confirmed no login form, hidden sensitive form, password-external form, wallet connection, or clipboard-hijacking behavior.
- External reputation checks recorded zero malicious and zero suspicious detections, with no phishing or blacklist finding.

Regulatory Verification Notes

The site's apparent identity is supported by its use of the sovereign government domain space and by on-page institutional content, but the available evidence does not independently verify the real-world operator. Licensing is not presented as part of the stated business model: the portal provides informational and service-routing functions rather than financial products, user deposits, or investment opportunities. Accordingly, the absence of a financial license claim is a scope and disclosure note, not evidence of fraud. The site's privacy and cookie pages provide ordinary service-governance content, while the generic home title and absence of structured metadata are minor presentation limitations rather than substantive trust concerns. The combination of an established public-service content profile, clean external reputation, valid transport encryption, and mainstream hosting infrastructure is consistent with an established, apparently legitimate website.

EVIDENCE

- The site uses the `gov.uk` domain suffix and is classified in the observed content as a government/public-service portal.
- The privacy and cookies pages are present, alongside contacts and help pages supporting the site's stated institutional purpose.
- The site is served from AS54113 (FASTLY - Fastly, Inc., US).
- TLS is issued by YR2 at DV validation level and is valid to 2026-10-27.

What to Verify Next

Before credential or payment interactions associated with any linked service, the intended government destination should be reached through an independently located official channel rather than through an unsolicited message or redirected link. Where a service involves a third-party provider, its identity, applicable terms, and payment-protection arrangements should be checked separately before information or funds are submitted. Official contact channels should also be confirmed through an independent offline or previously trusted government reference when the interaction is consequential.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage links onward to government-related services and information providers, including motoring, mapping, weather, and wider government resources.
- The site provides dedicated contacts, help, privacy, cookies, and translation functions that can be used to compare the expected service route before proceeding.
- The observed business model is informational and publicly funded, with no deposit-taking or investment solicitation identified.

Summary Verdict

The overall posture is **high trust and low risk**, with the available evidence strongly consistent with an established and apparently legitimate public-service website. No scam, impersonation, phishing, or other contradictory signal was identified, but the operator's real-world identity should remain described as likely rather than proven by independent verification.

Infrastructure Integrity

The website is protected by Fastly's CDN/WAF infrastructure, with observed traffic resolving to CDN edge infrastructure rather than an observable origin server. This provides a meaningful defensive and availability benefit by reducing direct origin exposure, but it is treated as a mitigating infrastructure signal rather than proof of legitimacy.

Closing Assessment

Routine informational use is proportionate; before submitting credentials or making any payment through a linked service, ordinary independent checks of the relevant provider, service terms, and payment protections should be completed.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-13 by the TrustSniffer Analysis Engine from the evidence in this report.

What the analysis found

No rule findings contributed to this verdict.

Identity verification

Status	LIKELY
Identity score	79/100
Identity verification confidence	78%

- Identity verified on page
- Trusted social count=3

Identity verification measures whether the site can be independently connected to a real-world brand or person. It is separate from the classification confidence.

What TrustSniffer observed

First-party facts recorded during the assessment of nidirect.gov.uk.

- The request stayed on nidirect.gov.uk. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- It is hosted on FASTLY, from a server in US. NOTED

Domain intelligence

Registrar	Not available
Hosting	FASTLY - Fastly, Inc., US
Country	US
Server IP	151.101.130.216
Name servers	Not available
SSL issuer	YR2
SSL expiry	2026-10-27
Domain age	Not available (no registration date was returned)
Domain expiry	Not available
Archive first seen	Not available
Archive snapshots	0
Reputation	VirusTotal: 0 flagged AbuseIPDB: 0 reports Google Safe Browsing: 0 matches

About this assessment

A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about nidirect.gov.uk at assessment time. It is a starting point for your own judgement, not a guarantee: a high score means the signals were consistent with a legitimately operated site, a low or critical score means several risk patterns were present.

TrustSniffer assesses a website from the evidence it can collect at a point in time: domain registration and age, hosting and certificate, the content the site served, and third-party reputation feeds. A score is a summary of that evidence, not a guarantee and not a legal finding. There is no human rating and no user review in it. A site can change after it is assessed.

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