

## NBG Report for KCC Meeting 18 Jan 2017

Again there have been no significant changes over the last month. However those discovered are shown at the bottom of the report along with a little more detail about the progress (or otherwise) of the known cabinet locations. Progress of your individual connectivity can be checked on either of the WhereandWhen pages of the BT Openreach or Digital Scotland websites.

The last BDG (December) indicated that the current Digital Scotland programme is still expected to deliver about the expected percentage of “number of properties passed” however this still leaves many “passed” but without a significant speed increase or still not “passed” eg about 75% of Killearn still on EO lines. More information about the R100 programme is still expected in late Spring. Other initiatives monitored thought the BDG continue to make only slow progress. Some communities eg Fintry are starting to explore alternatives such as fixed-wireless and the Community Council plan to hold a special supplier meeting to explore this more fully. KBG have also discussed this option however the local topography is very challenging and the properties concerned scattered. The R100 programme will have to address this anyway.

NOTE: The Digital Scotland “Better Broadband Scheme” provides a subsidy to establish a better connection using either satellite or wireless for those currently getting download speeds of less than 2Mbps. See the KCC website for specific links;

- **Cabinet status summary:**

- Balfroon cabinets: no change from last month;
- Balmaha cabinets: no change from last month;
- Blanefield/Strathblane cabinets: broadly no change in visible cabinet status from last month although G63 9BQ, G63 9EH and G63 9BP are now showing many premises as Accepting Orders;
- Buchlyvie cabinets: G63 0QX has moved In Scope,
- Croftamie/Drymen cabinets: no change from last month; early 2017 timescales cannot now be achieved;
- Fintry cabinets: E1 now scheduled for Sept 2017 instead of Jan otherwise no change from last month;
- Killearn cabinets: no change from last month, although 1 property in Gartness on Drymen postcode G63 ONG is showing as connected to Cabinet E1 and so is Accepting Orders;
- Milton of Buchanan – see Balmaha above;

See below for the latest detail cabinet information. Note that the reliability of dates shown is uncertain, as are the specific locations, which refer to the often large areas within a single rural postcode. Previous data has been supplemented this month with samples against the postcodes below using the BT Openreach WhereandWhen website:

### **Latest cabinet information:**

Please see June 2016 NGB report to KCC for maps of the areas below.

**Balfron (Boquhan)** (440xxx) (4 cabinets) – P1 cabinet at G63 0LH now live since 9 Aug 2016, P3 at G63 0LE maybe Being Built but only live April 2017) but certainly In Scope, and 2 **not available** (P2 at G63 0RA & Exchange 6 at G63 0QU). Note that some premises at G63 0QU appear to be on the Buchlyvie exchange and are marked as In Scope rather than Exploring Solutions;

**Balmaha** (870xxx) – 10 cabinets all **not available** at G63 0JQ, G63 0AD, G63 0AQ, G63 0AH, G63 0AW (twice), G63 0AR (twice), G63 0JU, and G63 0AJ. All these are shown as Exploring Solutions;

**Blane/Strathblane** (770xxx) (8 cabinets) – P1 cabinet (Netherblane) live; P2 cabinet at G63 9BQ shown as Being Built (live by Feb 2017) but also (by BTOpenreach & Digital Scotland) as Accepting Orders, P3 cabinet undergoing Field Survey (location unknown, live by Apr 2017), 2 cabinets P4 & P5 (at unknown locations) Doing Design and live by Dec 2017, plus 3 **not available** from one source but conflicting info from BTOpenreach/DigitalScotland ie PE1 at G63 9AH shows a mix of In Scope and Being Built, Exchange 2 at G63 9EH shows a mix of In Scope, Being Built and Accepting Orders, and Exchange 8 at G63 9BP shows as mainly Accepting Orders but also Exploring Solutions;

**Buchlyvie** (850xxx) (10 cabinets) – P2 cabinet at FK8 3LP Being Connected (live by Jan 2017) (although some premises still Exploring Solutions), plus 9 **not available** (Exchange 2 at FK8 3ET although Being Connected, Exchange 3 at G63 0QX is In Scope, Exchange 4 at FK8 3PA although showing a mix of some In Scope and most Being Connected, Exchange 11 at FK8 3LZ although showing as Being Connected, Exchange 6 & 12 at G63 0QY although showing a mix of some Exploring Solutions or In Scope though most Being Connected, Exchange 7 at FK8 3PB although showing a mix of a few In Scope and most Being Connected, Exchange 9 at FK8 3NY although showing a mix of In Scope and Being Connected, Exchange 13 at FK8 3NR although showing as Being Connected). See also comment above on G63 0QU under Balfron exchange;

**Croftamie** (660xxx) (1 cabinet) – P2 cabinet (between village and A811 junction to Balloch) live since Dec 2015;

**Drymen** (660xxx) (9 cabinets) – P1 cabinet at G63 0BY Being Built (live by Feb 2017), 2 cabinets P3 & P4 at G63 0BD and G63 0HT allegedly undergoing Field Survey (live by Dec 2016) but certainly In Scope or Exploring Solutions; 1 allegedly in Design (E4 location unknown, live by Jan 2017); plus 5 **not available** (Exchange 2 at G63 0BA although listed as Exploring Solutions, Exchange 3 at G63 0NG is also Exploring Solutions, Exchange 5 at G63 0AB is also Exploring Solutions, Exchange 6 at G63 0BG is also Exploring Solutions, & Exchange 7 at G63 0BL although showing a mix of Exploring Solutions and In Scope);

**Fintray** (860xxx) (14 cabinets) – E1 cabinet in Design (location unknown, live by Sept 2017) and 13 **not available** (PE1 & Exchange 4 at G63 0LP although listed as Exploring Solutions, Exchange 2 & 11 at G63 0YH show some In Scope but mainly Exploring Solutions, Exchange 3 at G63 0LR shows as Exploring Solutions, Exchange 5, 6 & 14 at G63 0XH although listed as Exploring Solutions, Exchange 8 & 15 at G63 0QF although listed as Exploring Solutions, Exchange 10 at G63 0LT certainly Exploring Solutions although allegedly Accepting Orders!, Exchange 12 at G63 0XJ although listed as Exploring Solutions, and Exchange 13 at G63 0XG although showing a mix of Exploring Solutions and In Scope). **Note** that some premises at G63 0LT appear to be on the Balfron exchange and are marked as Accepting Orders rather than Exploring Solutions;

**Killearn** (860xxx) (5 cabinets) – now showing no cabinets live (but 2 **are** live: E1 and E3) plus P1 at G63 9LD (near Baptiston) allegedly in Field Survey (live by June 2017) but certainly listed as In Scope, and 5 **not available** (PE1 at G63 9PT although listed as In Scope, PE3 at G63 0LF although showing a mix of Exploring Solutions, In Scope and allegedly Accepting Orders!, Exchange 1 at G63 9LQ although showing a mix of Exploring Solutions and In Scope, Exchange 5 at G63 9PX although listed as In Scope, Exchange 10 at G63 9LB although listed as In Scope or in 1 case as Exploring Solutions;

**Milton of Buchanan** – see Balmaha above;

Note: the stages in “the Fibre Journey” are:

Exploring Solutions, In scope, Design, Field Survey, Build, Connect, Activate, Accepting Orders.

The timescale for “the journey” is likely to be about 12-18 months.