

## NBG Report for KCC Meeting 18 Oct 2017

No BT Openreach changes are visible for this month. The summary below has been carried over from last month.

We continue to install the Fixed Wireless Access system to a number of properties along the Stockiemuir Road and initial discussions have taken place with regard to a similar kind of solution for the outlying premises in Fintry that the planned BT cabinet there will not reach.

Remember the status of your individual connectivity can be checked on either of the WhereandWhen pages of the BT Openreach or Digital Scotland websites or in the tables at the end of this report.

ALSO do not forget 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.

The latest status of cabinets in each of the villages is shown below:

- **Cabinet status summary:**

- Balfron cabinets: 2 live (P1 at G63 0LH & P3 at G63 0NA) plus 3 live early in 2018. About 85% of the village (by postcode) is now showing Accepting Orders for fibre (subject to distance). Majority of other premises are shown as In Scope;
- Balmaha cabinets: some postcodes are showing as In Scope i.e. more advanced than Exploring Solutions;
- Blanefield/Strathblane cabinets: 3 live (P1 cabinet at Netherblane); P2 cabinet at G63 9BY, and P3 cabinet showing as Field Survey, location unknown, but now supposedly live). Over 85% of the village (by postcode) is now showing Accepting Orders for fibre (subject to distance);
- Buchlyvie cabinets: P2 cabinet at FK8 3LP is live and services most of the village. Some more premises are now connected while other premises are still Exploring Solutions. A 2<sup>nd</sup> cabinet is showing, location unknown, apparently planned for March 2018;
- Croftamie cabinets: P2 live (at G63 0EP between village and A811 junction to Balloch). Another cabinet (P2 at G63 0EP) has appeared on the corner of Buchanan Cres and the A809, but it's unclear whether it is live;
- Drymen cabinets: 2 live (P1 at G63 0BY) and P4 has appeared at Buchanan Castle Gdns in the Castle Estate at G63 0HT, and is allegedly now live, with 3 cabinets (P3 at G63 0BD due to be live by Nov 2017, P5 allegedly undergoing Field Survey to be live by Dec 2017, location unknown, and E10 allegedly in Design, also location unknown, due to be live by March 2018);
- Fintry cabinets: 2 cabinets are shown, E1 allegedly scheduled for Sept 2017 (although no actual work has been observed) and E2 for March 2018. A fixed-wireless solution similar to that delivered to Auchengillan is being investigated for those premises away from the centre of the village. Meanwhile about 60% of postcodes are In Scope, the others being Exploring Solutions;
- Killearn cabinets: 3 cabinets are live (E1 at Blane Smithy), E3 (at jn of Station Rd and Gartness Rd) and P1 (beside Exchange). Another cabinet is in Design, allegedly live by March 2018, (location unknown);
- Milton of Buchanan – see Balmaha above;

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. You can check your own situation using the BT Openreach WhereandWhen website.

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.

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