

NBG Report for KCC Meeting 19 Oct 2016

There is very little to report this month as there are no significant changes. The R100 report, outlining how everyone in Scotland can receive 30Mbps as outlined by the Scottish Government earlier this year, is eagerly awaited and until then it is very hard to determine how broader progress will be made to supply fibre speeds to the majority of premises in the village.

- Another month has gone by without any work starting on the Crosshead Rd cabinet. The cabinet suggested at a location near Baptiston Farm is still shown as live by June 2017;
- Digital Scotland and BT Openreach both have updated WhereandWhen websites showing the roll-out process for an individual location. This allows a clearer view of the upgrade process. Premises shown to be in the early stages of the upgrade process however do not appear to be consistent with other available information;
- Digital Scotland, as far as we aware, continue to create the R100 requirement report, identifying the work required to bring 30Mbps+ to everyone in Scotland. The report is still expected by the end of 2016, with the first contracts awarded early in 2017;
- Direct contact has been made with the Broadband representative on Strathblane Community Council and this may create a larger user base to explore alternative provisions;
- Blaressan developers Mactaggart & Mickel have been alerted to a new BT Openreach initiative to bring FTTP to all new developments with more than 30 premises;
- Stirling Council Broadband Delivery Group site now has a list of currently active Community Broadband projects in the region;
- Further reports and comment on the Digital Scotland programme have come available i.e. Carnegie Trust report on Digital Participation and Social Justice in Scotland, and a press article by Lesley Riddoch in The National, and a BBC Scotland Radio news item this week provided alternative views of the current programme from service users and Brendan Dick of BT Openreach. See KCC website for links;
- The Digital Scotland “Better Broadband Scheme” provides a subsidy to establish a better connection using either satellite or wireless. See the KCC website for specific links;
- A further Broadband Supplier event meeting, aimed at this specific area, and affected individuals, is proposed by Stirling Council for early December at Balfron High school. No firm details are available yet however;
- **Cabinet status summary:** Balfron cabinets: no change from last month. See summary below;
- Balmaha cabinets: no change from last month;
- Blanefield/Strathblane cabinets: 1 previously In Design, now not available. See summary below;
- Buchlyvie cabinets: 1 previously Undergoing Field Survey, now not available. See summary below;
- Croftamie/Drymen cabinets: no change from last month;
- Fintry: no change from last month;
- Killearn: no change from last month;
- Milton of Buchanan no change from last month;
- 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:

Latest cabinet information:

Please see June 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 undergoing Field Survey (live by Oct 2016), and 2 **not available** (G63 0RA & G63 0QU);

Balmaha (870xxx) – 10 cabinets all **not available**;

Blanefield/Strathblane (770xxx) (8 cabinets) – P1 cabinet (Netherblane) live; P2 cabinet at G63 9BQ Being Built (live by Feb 2017), P3 cabinet undergoing Field Survey (location unknown, live by Apr 2017), E3 cabinet formerly in Design (location unknown, live by Jan 2017), now **not available**, and 3 **not available** (G63 9AH, G63 9EF & G63 9BU);

Buchlyvie (850xxx) (14 cabinets) – P2 cabinet at FK8 3LP Being Connected (live by Jan 2017), 1 previously undergoing Field Survey (location unknown) now **not available**, plus 12 **not available** (FK8 3ET, G63 0QX, FK8 3PA, FK8 3LZ, G63 0QY, FK8 3PB, FK8 3NS, FK8 3NY, FK8 3PD, FK8 3NR plus 2 locations unclear);

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

Drymen (660xxx) (9 cabinets) – P1 cabinet at G63 0BY Being Built (live by Feb 2017), 2 cabinets P3 & P4) at G63 0BD and G63 0 HT undergoing Field Survey (live by Dec 2016) and 1 in Design (location unknown, live by Jan 2017) and 5 **not available** (G63 0BA, G63 0NG, G63 0AB, G63 0BG & G63 0BL);

Fintry (860xxx) (14 cabinets) – E1 cabinet in Design (location unknown, live by Jan 2017) and 13 **not available** (G63 0LP, G63 0YH, G63 0LR, G63 0XH, G63 0QF, G63 0LT, G63 0XJ, G63 0XG plus 5 locations unclear);

Killearn (860xxx) (10 cabinets) – now showing no cabinets live with P1 at G63 9LD undergoing Field Survey (near Baptiston, live by June 2017), and 8 **not available** (G63 9PT, G63 0LF, G63 9LH, G63 9LB, G63 9PL, G63 0PB, G63 9PT plus 1 duplicated location at 9LB);

Milton of Buchanan – see Balmaha above;

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