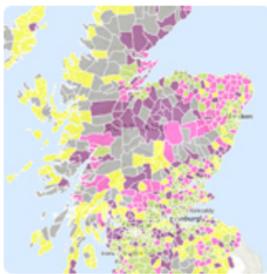# New Year, New Fibre Broadband connections

The New Year is now well underway and the Digital Scotland Superfast Broadband programme is going from strength to strength. Our exciting programme has now brought fibre broadband within reach of more than 216,000 homes and businesses across Scotland, an additional 66,000 premises since our last newsletter!

Over the next six months, we will be bringing fibre broadband to thousands more people in Scotland, with communities such as Bridge of Weir, Lennoxtown, Kilbarchan, Kilmacolm, Stornoway and Campbeltown amongst those set to benefit. Find out more.

Keep your finger on the pulse with our interactive map

See at a glance which parts of Scotland have already been enabled for fibre broadband – and find out whether you can get it yet! Scores of new communities across Scotland are now able to order fibre broadband including Kirkwall, Kinross, Eyemouth, Newton Stewart, Banchory, and Maybole. There are too many to mention here, with new areas being enabled for fibre broadband each week. Check our latest estimates on when each exchange area will go live! Our Interactive Map is a fantastic tool that is updated weekly and allows you to keep your finger on the pulse of our exciting programme Check it out

Fibre broadband costs less than you may think

Many people think that because fibre broadband offers so many advantages, then it must be expensive. Well, here is some great news. This is simply not true! Some people have even found that they can save money by ordering fibre broadband, especially if they consolidate services such as telephone, broadband and TV. Find out more
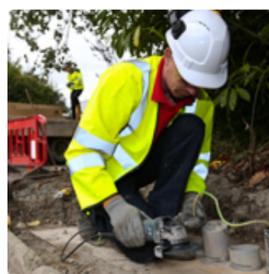
Legal eagles are flying high with fibre broadband!

With branches in Cupar, St Andrews, Glenrothes and Auchtermuchty, Rollos Solicitors and Estate Agents say they are taking their business to the next level, thanks to fibre broadband. Rollos are thrilled with the way fibre broadband has improved productivity and they have identified how fibre will create significant cost savings too. The company is really looking forward to making the most of digital opportunities. Find out more

Let's Talk Tech: What on earth are 'Exchange Only' Lines?

The roll out of fibre broadband has meant that 'exchange only' lines have become a topic of conversation in Scotland for the very first time! Up until now, most people who had an 'exchange only' line were blissfully unaware of the fact and had never heard of the term! So what are they? These are telephone lines where properties are served by a connection direct from the local exchange, rather than from a green cabinet. Due to the nature of the technology, it is trickier to bring fibre broadband to premises with 'exchange only' lines – but our engineers are rising to the challenge! Already more than 10,000 homes and businesses in Scotland with 'exchange only' lines can now benefit from fibre broadband. Find out more

Meet the team: 60 second interview with Andy Hepburn

Andy is Programme Director for Openreach, which means he is responsible for getting the fibre broadband infrastructure built in Scotland. No pressure then! Take a look at what Andy has to say about his job, what he loves about it and the kind of things he encounters in his working week. This will give you an insight into what makes Andy tick and why he is relishing the challenge. Find out more

Share your story and help us create tomorrow's Scotland

Is fibre broadband making a difference to the way you live, work or play? If so, we would love to hear about the advantages fibre broadband is bringing you. With your agreement, we may share your story on our website or in our marketing materials, so that others can be inspired by your experiences. Get in touch with us and get involved in our transformational programme.

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