Scotland is buzzing about fibre broadband

We have had the most amazing time around Scotland recently, with a huge number of community events as fibre broadband was launched in new areas. Our new fibre showcase (where you discover the technical magic behind fibre broadband) has made an appearance at a primary school in Aberdeenshire, a community event in Nairn, the 75th Annual Games in Oban, a women’s meeting in Stirling, Glasgow and Goldiemore. There is a real buzz around fibre broadband now and it is exciting to hear feedback at these community events and also through your comments on Facebook.

Take a peek at some of what has been happening and some of your Facebook comments.

We are half way there!

As a result of our Superfast Broadband programme, more than 375,000 homes and businesses in Scotland are now able to connect to fibre. By the end of 2017, it is more than 750,000 premises - so we are half way towards our goal! Hundreds of communities across Scotland have now been enabled for fibre broadband, which means that people living and working in these communities can now switch to the fastest Broadband connections available.

Spotlight on our Community Project Officers

Our four Community Project Officers are the unsung heroes working hard to spread the word about fibre broadband in local communities across Scotland and accelerate take up. Find out more about what they do every day in your area, and hear first hand from Brenda Conway in our 60 second interview.

Well, nobody said it was going to be easy!

Rolling out fibre broadband across Scotland is certainly challenging and engineers have encountered some unusual obstacles as they have overcome all kinds of obstacles to install fibre broadband. One day the team was laying fibre cable across the Erskine Bridge, 148 feet up in the air over the River Clyde. The team had to get special permission to take their vehicles and equipment up on the bridge and we hear they were on a high after they achieved their result! For more information about what is involved in the roll out of fibre broadband.

Can you get fibre broadband yet?

Find out if you can get fibre broadband yet and see at a glance the latest situation regarding the roll out by visiting our interactive map.