
REPORT TO:	Overview & Scrutiny Committee	AGENDA ITEM: 7
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REPORT FROM:	Deputy Chief Executive	OPEN:
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SUBJECT:	Broadband -update	REF:
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE:

1.0 Recommendations

1.1 To note the report and advise on next steps to be taken

2.0 Purpose of Report

2.1 The purpose of this report is to provide Members with an indication of the speed of broadband service provided within the district.

3.0 Detail

3.1 Following the previous meeting of this Committee held on the 1st August 2007, (Minute Ref: OS/15), an investigation has been undertaken to establish broadband availability and the speed of broadband service provided by BT.

Current position

3.2 In order to obtain a 'picture' of broadband availability across the district, details of broadband availability and estimated average broadband download speed for all Councillors were obtained using the BT's online broadband availability checker software. (See Appendix A)

2.2 Clearly, it can be seen for all Councillors that average estimated broadband speed in megabit per second (m.b.s) varies across the district and if comparisons are made between phone line and postcode.

Next Steps

2.3 Members to advise on the next steps to be taken

3.0 Financial Implications

3.1 None arising from this report.

Broadband availability and estimated average broadband download speed (m.b.s. - megabits per second)

Ward	Councillor	Post Code	BT Telephone		Broadband Average Speed (Est. max. m.b.s.) ¹	
			STD Code	Exchange	By Postcode	By Phone Line
Aston	Atkin	DE73 7HA	01332	Chellaston	0.5	1.5
	Watson	DE73 7HW	01332	Melbourne	3.0	1.0
	Coyle	DE72 3EY	01332	?	0.5	N/a
Church Gresley	Southerd	DE11 9PA	01283	Swadlincote	5.5	5.0
	Southern	DE11 9PQ	01283	Swadlincote	5.0	5.0
Etwall	Brown	DE65 6HP	01283	Etwall	2.5	2.5
	Lemmon	DE65 6JB	01283	Etwall	8.0	6.5
Hartshorne & Ticknall	Murray	DE11 7LQ	01283	Swadlincote	4.0	4.5
	Stanton	DE73 7JQ	01332	?	Very unlikely	
Hatton	Roberts	DE65 5EN	01283	Tutbury	5.5	5.5
Hilton	Patten	DE65 6NF	01283	Etwall	6.5	6.5
	Plenderleith	DE65 5LH	01283	Etwall	1.0	0.5
Linton	Jones	DE12 6QA	01283	Etwall	5.5	6.5
	Wheeler	DE15 0PT	01283	Etwall	0.5	0.5
Melbourne	Harrison	DE73 8EQ	01332	Melbourne	2.0	6.5
	Hewlett	DE73 8GL	01332	Melbourne	8.0	6.5
Midway	Dunn	DE11 0JQ	01283	Swadlincote	3.0	3.0
	Wilkins	DE11 0DT	01283	Swadlincote	5.5	5.0
	Farrington	DE11 9BH	01283	Swadlincote	5.0	5.0
Newhall & Stanton	Bambrick	DE11 0SA	01283	Swadlincote	3.5	3.5
	Mead	DE11 0SR	01283	Swadlincote	-	2.0
	Richards	DE11 0HW	01283	Swadlincote	3.0	1.0
North West	Bale	DE65 5JA	01283	Etwall	2.0	2.5
Repton	Wheeler	DE15 0PT	01283	Etwall	0.5	0.5
	Bladen	DE65 6GD	01283	Repton	5.5	6.5
Seales	Grant	DE12 8DR	01283	Overseal	0.5	2.5
	Timms	DE12 8NA	01283	Barton u Needwood	4.5	4.5
Stenson	Pabla	DE24 3HA	01332	Peartree	Unable to support	4.0
	Shepherd	DE73 7JH	01332	Melbourne	2.0	1.5
Swadlincote	Lane	DE11 9BH	01283	Swadlincote	1.5	5.0
	Lane	DE11 9BH	01283	Swadlincote	1.5	5.0
	Tilley	DE11 0HH	01283	Swadlincote	6.5	5.0
Willington & Findern	Ford	DE65 6AP	01283	Repton	1.5	2.0
	Hood	DE65 6QR	01332	Mickleover	0.5	1.0
Woodville	Gillespie	DE11 0UL	01283	Swadlincote	Line incompatible	1.0
	Taylor	DE11 7QR	01283	Swadlincote	7.0	6.0

Notes

- 1 Based on initial test on post code using BT's Broadband availability checker software <http://www.productsandservices.bt.com/consumerProducts/displayTopic.do?topicId=16738>