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DIGITAL ENGAGEMENT NEWSLETTER

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MOVING TOWARDS A CONNECTED FUTURE

Welcome to the August edition of our Digital Engagement Newsletter, providing insight and information on the vital topic of digital connectivity, and the ongoing transformation in the Aberdeen City Region.

The last few months have been rife with change. Project Gigabit has progressed in Scotland, with procurement lots now open. The Reaching 100% programme is continuing at pace. The Digital Theme within the Aberdeen City Region Deal is developing new projects, with huge potential benefits. A new Government has been elected at Westminster. And the classic Scottish weather changes multiple times a day.

The Aberdeen City Region is renowned for its pioneering spirit, particularly in the energy sector. As we embrace change and diversify our economy, it is essential that our digital infrastructure evolves to meet the demands of the 21st century. High-speed internet, 5G networks, and advanced data management systems are no longer luxuries; they are necessities for businesses, educational institutions, healthcare providers, and residents alike. They enable innovation, support remote work, facilitate access to global markets, and improve quality of life for everyone in our community.

Our region is already making significant strides in enhancing digital connectivity. These efforts are not just about technology; they are about people. Improved digital connectivity will help bridge the digital divide, ensuring that all members of our community, regardless of location or socioeconomic status, can benefit from the digital age.

In this newsletter, we will explore the various projects and partnerships driving digital connectivity in our region. We will highlight success stories, share insights from industry leaders, and provide updates on funding opportunities and policy developments. Additionally, we hope to delve into the challenges that remain, such as ensuring equitable access, addressing resilience concerns, and keeping pace with rapidly evolving technologies.

As stakeholders in this digital transformation, your engagement and input are crucial. Whether you are a business leader, policymaker, community advocate, or resident, your perspective matters. Together, we can shape a digitally connected future that is inclusive, innovative, and sustainable for the Aberdeen City Region.

We look forward to keeping you informed and engaged as we navigate this exciting journey towards a more connected future.

Digital Engagement Team – Aberdeen City Region

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ABERDEEN CITY REGION DEAL

The Aberdeen City Region Deal (ACRD) is a partnership between Aberdeen City Council, Aberdeenshire Council, Opportunity North East, Scottish Government and UK Government. The Deal is one delivery mechanism for the regional economic strategy and is investing in sector innovation projects and infrastructure to support economic diversification and resilience. Signed in November 2016, both Governments committed to jointly investing up to £250 million over a 10-year period. These commitments form part of an overarching £826 million funding package for the Aberdeen City Region Deal.

More information and detail on the Aberdeen City Region Deal can be found at: www.abzdeal.com.

Within the Aberdeen City Region Deal, the Digital Theme encompasses work being carried out by various stakeholders, to bring improved digital connectivity to the region, and to nurture innovation in the use of digital technology and connectivity, to bring economic benefits to the region. Within this workstream, the Digital Engagement Team was created with a remit to directly support residents, businesses, and communities, in matters relating to digital connectivity, and to work with all necessary stakeholders to find ways to improve digital connectivity for the Region.

The Digital Engagement Team is striving to work more closely with communities and residents, in all matters relating to digital connectivity:

- ✓ **Working with the Telecoms Industry to improve network coverage**
- ✓ **Supporting Community Resilience**
- ✓ **Promoting Digital Inclusion**
- ✓ **Leveraging Economic Outcomes**
- ✓ **Developing Community Connectivity Solutions**
- ✓ **Scottish Government's Reaching 100% Programme (R100)**
- ✓ **UK Government's Project Gigabit**
- ✓ **Shared Rural Network**
- ✓ **Working with Scottish 5G Centre**
- ✓ **Lobbying to Ensure Future Commitments from Government**

The Digital Engagement Team is ready and eager to support any resident, any business, and any community in the region, in matters relating to digital connectivity, and welcome any enquiry to:

digitalengagement@aberdeenshire.gov.uk

or by phone at

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PROJECT GIGABIT

In the past couple of months, we have seen positive progress with Project Gigabit, as a procurement lot was opened for the North East of Scotland. As a reminder, Project Gigabit is the UK Government's national connectivity programme aiming to increase the availability of gigabit capable broadband infrastructure (i.e. 1000Mbps), with a target of reaching 85% of all premises by 2025, with the rest of the UK (or 99%) by 2030.

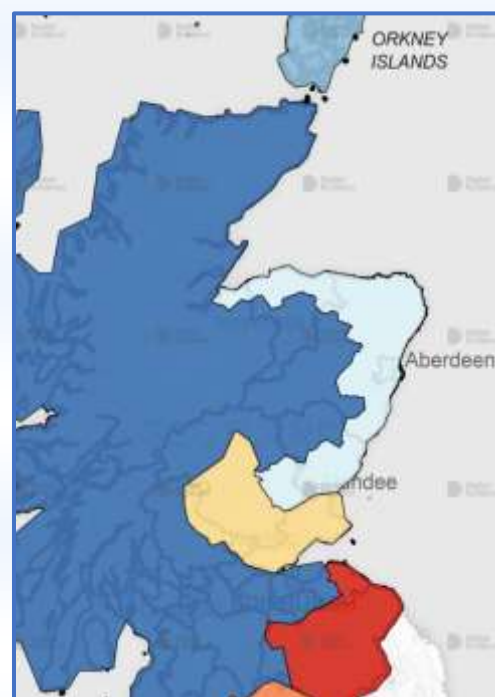
A large part of **Aberdeenshire** and all of **Aberdeen City**, is included in the 'Lot 5' procurement lot, along with **Dundee City**, parts of **Angus**, the **Moray** coast, and a small patch of the **Highlands** and **Perth & Kinross**.

Lot 5 encompasses over **61,000** potential beneficiary premises, and a total subsidy value of nearly **£106million**.

The size and scope of this procurement lot has been determined with input from telecoms operators and the telecoms industry through a rolling Open Market review process.

As the procurement process continues, there is a call for interested telecoms operators to explore the contract, which can be found on Public Contracts Scotland. Additionally, the Digital Engagement Team within the Aberdeen City Region Deal is keen to hear from telecoms industry partners in an effort to provide advice and support, to ensure the maximum benefits are achieved through the Project Gigabit programme.

As a Type B (Regional) procurement, Lot 5 encompasses a huge part of Scotland. In this Lot, there is an estimated **68,342** 'White' premises – these are premises that currently do *not* have access to 100Mbps broadband connections, and are *not* included in known commercial upgrade plans, or in publicly funded build contracts.



The Digital Engagement Team are working with data provided by UK & Scottish Governments, to fully assess the need, and scope of work that will be required, by the successful operator(s) in the Project Gigabit deployment across the Aberdeen City Region.

Looking at the rest of Project Gigabit plans in Scotland, Lot 1 which encompasses East Lothian and the Borders, is also currently in procurement. Lot 6, covering Orkney and Shetland, is expected to open for procurement later this year. Lot 2 covering much of Dumfries & Galloway, and Lot covering Fife and parts of Perth & Kinross, are both at pre-procurement stage, with progress expected next year.

Out with Project Gigabit Lot 5

- ***Upper Deeside from Aboyne to Braemar***
- ***Tarland and Cromar***
- ***Alford and Upper Donside***
- ***Rhynie and Lumsden***
- ***Huntly***

Due to the rural nature of Aberdeenshire, there is a portion of the Local Authority area that is *not* included in the current procurement Lot's. Rural complexity is the main barrier in these places, with Upper Deeside and Upper Donside in particular being excluded from current Project Gigabit Procurement.

However, there is further work still to be done with Project Gigabit in Scotland, particularly for the Type C (National) contract, which will encompass the areas not benefitting from earlier procurement

exercises. Additionally, it is important to stress that the Reaching 100% programme is still delivering full-fibre connections across Aberdeenshire, with some of these areas included in that tranche of publicly funded work.

For the most complex, and most isolated 1% of premises in the UK, where the deployment of full-fibre infrastructure is simply not feasible, the UK Government is also developing its policy on 'Very Hard to Reach (VHTR) premises.' We know there will be some premises in this category in the most rural parts of Aberdeenshire, and so the Digital Engagement Team is closely monitoring this policy development and contributing to its development through the appropriate channels.

The Digital Engagement Team is committed to continue dialogue with all levels of Government, as well as with telecoms industry stakeholders, to monitor progress of Project Gigabit procurement, and to support the development of build plans for the Aberdeen City Region. For more information on Project Gigabit, information can be found on the gov.uk website here:

www.gov.uk/project-gigabit-uk-gigabit-programme

REACHING 100% AND SCOTTISH BROADBAND VOUCHER SCHEME

The Reaching 100% programme is continuing with pace and success across the Aberdeen City Region, as well as nationally. With the specific aim of ensuring every premise in Scotland can access superfast broadband (30Mbps) as a minimum, over 61,000 connections enabling faster broadband, have been made across Scotland to date, with the work not even half-way done in North East Scotland.

As of August 2024, **6,072** premises across Aberdeenshire and Aberdeen City have been upgraded to a full-fibre broadband connection by Openreach, as part of the R100 programme. With **5,850** (96%) of these connections being in Aberdeenshire, it is positive to see that the programme is committing to target rural, more complex areas, to close the digital divide.

The **Formartine Area** of Aberdeenshire, around **Ellon**, has seen the most build work in the past few months, with planned works covering **Newmachar**, **Hatton**, **Fettercairn**, **Laurencekirk** and **St. Cyrus**, all planned before the end of **2024**.

With the R100 not planned to be completed until 2028, there is still a power of work to be delivered across the Region, with **10,688** new full-fibre connections planned in Aberdeenshire, and **447** planned in Aberdeen City.

To see where your property sits in the Reaching 100% plans, check your address at:

www.scotlandsuperfast.com/r100-programme/check-my-address/

As the deployment of full-fibre progresses in the Region through the R100, the Digital Engagement Team plays an essential part in supporting this delivery. As the point of contact within the Local Authority, we work with colleagues at Openreach, to support in matters such as wayleaves and road closures, as well as carrying out community engagement in key areas.



Alongside Openreach's deployment of full-fibre infrastructure, the R100 Scottish Broadband Voucher Scheme (SBVS) continues to offer up to £5,000 of subsidy to install a superfast broadband solution, for premises that cannot currently obtain superfast speeds, and are not included in the R100 rollout or commercial upgrade plans.

Across the Aberdeen City Region, **964** of these vouchers have now been utilised, bringing superfast broadband connections to excluded premises. The Aberdeenshire Council Local Authority area continues to see the highest uptake and usage of the Scottish Broadband Voucher Scheme, out of all Local Authorities in Scotland, with **925** vouchers used to date, representing an uptake rate of **15%**.

This statistic highlights not only the need for better digital connectivity in the Region, but also the opportunity offered through alternative broadband solutions, such as:

- **4G Broadband**
- **Fixed Wireless Broadband**
- **Satellite Broadband.**

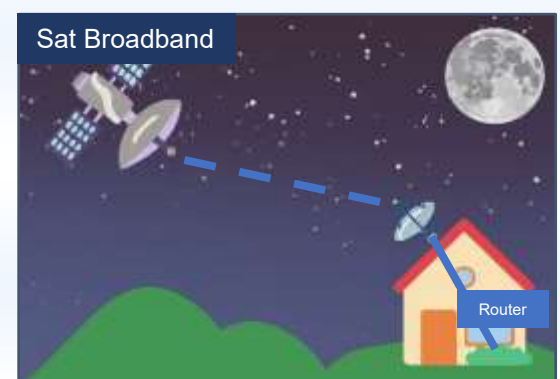
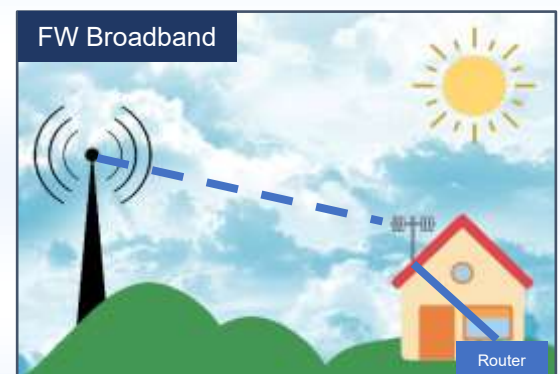
With over 9,000 vouchers still available across Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire, there remains a huge opportunity for residents, businesses and communities to use the R100 SBVS to install newer, faster broadband solutions.

The Digital Engagement Team is eager to support further usage of the R100 SBVS. We work closely with all the telecoms operators who can deploy solutions in the Region, and can offer specific, tailored advice on the best solutions for your property. For further support, or to simply ask questions, contact us at:

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MOBILE CONNECTIVITY AND THE SHARED RURAL NETWORK

Mobile broadband in the form of 4G & 5G connectivity is just as important as fixed broadband in the modern age, with most people engaging with the digital world through a smart phone or SIM device. Latest statistics from Ofcom through the **Connected Nations Spring 2024** update show us that Aberdeen City has ubiquitous 4G coverage, with 100% of premises able to access a 4G service from one or more Mobile Network Operators (MNO's), and 97% of premises having access to 4G from all the MNO's. Additionally, 98% of premises in the city can access a 5G service. Aberdeenshire, with its rural complexities, is actually doing well in mobile connectivity coverage, with over 99% of premises having predicted access to a 4G connection from one or more MNO's, and 59% of premises being able to access a 5G service.

In reality however, Ofcom's 'predicted' coverage doesn't give insight into the experience of users, as coverage doesn't necessarily mean fast and reliable, only that 4G or 5G is available. The Shared Rural Network (SRN) is a joint programme between UK Government and all four MNO's, which will deliver **reliable** mobile broadband to 95% of the UK, addressing the digital divide by improving 4G coverage in the areas that need it most. This programme has three streams of work:



- All four UK MNO's have committed to upgrading their existing networks to boost coverage in 'partial not-spots,' (meaning areas where only one MNO network is available), through improvements to infrastructure, and agreements between MNO's to share infrastructure.
- UK Government is funding the building of new mast infrastructure in 'total not-spots,' (meaning areas with no existing 4G coverage), which will be utilised by all MNO's in a shared infrastructure approach.
- The Home Office is working with the Shared Rural Network to explore opportunities to use Emergency Services Network masts, to provide public 4G from these sites.

The Aberdeen City Region has seen 12 applications to the planning service for mast upgrades and new telecoms masts, all as part of the Shared Rural Network. These sites are dotted across the Region, with most in the Marr area, which indicates the need for improved coverage in arguably the most rural part of the Region.

The Digital Engagement Team is keen to work together with Mobile Network Operators and developers, to realise the benefits brought by the Shared Rural Network. The Team is also keen to engage with communities and residents in areas where developments are planned, or where further developments are needed.

More information on the Shared Rural Network can be found on its website at www.srn.org.uk

MOVING TO DIGITAL VOICE – PSTN RETIREMENT



The telecoms industry is retiring the aged Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) in January 2027, which means all phone call services will be moved over to Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP). But what does this mean for customers and residents?

Moving from PSTN to VoIP

- The landline phone number can be retained and is 'ported' over to the digital service. Similar to mobile phone numbers, once ported, the number can be moved between operators with ease. Once the number is ported, the analogue copper phonenumber will be reassigned, and only provide internet communication services.
- Telecoms providers may provide residents with a new wi-fi router for the property, for the purpose of offering broadband and VoIP. This doesn't mean that a broadband service must be purchased, as many telecoms operators have confirmed they will continue to offer voice only services for residents who do not want an internet service.
- Landline phone handsets will no longer be plugged in to the wall phone socket in the property, but will instead be plugged in to the back of the wi-fi router. Many phone handsets will work straight away with this new set-up; however, a small adapter can be provided by the telecoms provider if a handset doesn't work in the new set-up.
- Accessibility devices, such as textphones, text relay services, amplified phones etc, are all available to work over VoIP connections.
- There will be some changes to how specialist equipment may work with the new technology. If there are devices that are connected to the landline such as telecare alarms, emergency pendants, dialysis machines and telemetry devices, residents should contact the provider of those devices to ensure compatibility with the new system.



VoIP in Power Cuts

Unlike the PSTN, VoIP services will not work by default in the event of a power cut. Once a landline connection is moved to VoIP, the electrical current will no longer be provided through the phoneline, with the whole system being switched off in 2027.

Ofcom has published guidance that states telecoms operators must provide a solution to residents that allow them to make calls in the event of a power cut. It is up to residents to ask for these resilience solutions when taking out a VoIP service. If a resident is dependent on their landline, these solutions must be offered to customers free-of-charge. These solutions will either be:

- a) The provision of a mobile phone handset with SIM card, which can allow residents to make calls when the power goes out.
- b) The provision of a wi-fi router with an integral battery, or a battery back-up unit (BBU) for an existing router. This battery solution will provide power to the router, allowing for phone calls to be made, and ability to use the internet.

It is important to note that there may be resilience issues in the available mobile phone network in the event of a power cut. Where 4G coverage is not reliable, residents should opt for a battery back-up solution. For more detail on the Ofcom guidance around ensuring calls can be made in a power cut, the guidance document can be found at www.ofcom.org.uk.

Further Information

The Digital Engagement Team exists to support residents, businesses and communities in all matters relating to digital connectivity. If there are any queries, questions or requirements for more tailored support in these matters, enquiries are welcome.

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or by phone: 01467 469322

online: www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/digital-connectivity

THE LOCAL VIEW – ABERDEEN CITY REGION DEAL

2024 has seen a flurry of activity within the Digital Theme of the Aberdeen City Region Deal (ACRD). With a focus on connectivity and innovation, numerous projects have been delivered which have brought significant benefit to the Aberdeen Region. Additionally, the ACRD Digital Working Group brings together key stakeholders from the public sector, the private sector, and key local and national organisations, to develop projects and interventions, to bring further benefits to the Region.

Projects Delivered through ACRD

- ✓ **City Network Extension** – expanding full-fibre infrastructure across Aberdeen City with CityFibre partnership
- ✓ **Full-Fibre Infrastructure** – Dark fibre deployment to key public sector sites across the region
- ✓ **Digital Engagement Team** – Creation of a team to directly support residents and stakeholders, and stimulate impact from national programmes
- ✓ **Port of Aberdeen 5G** – Investment into Port of Aberdeen to develop bespoke connectivity solutions in the new South Harbour
- ✓ **5G Pop-up Network** – Funding for a mobile 5G network with the Scottish 5G Centre and Opportunity North East to facilitate the development of 5G cases in industry
- ✓ **Huntly 5G** – Investment and support to SAOS to develop connectivity solutions in rural Aberdeenshire, benefitting communities and businesses

Projects In Development

- **Mobile Connectivity Mapping** – Using bin lorries to accurately map 2G, 3G, 4G & 5G coverage and performance across Aberdeenshire
- **Peterhead Port Connectivity** – Exploring investment options to use connectivity solutions to expand and enhance business operations, which could then be replicated to other Ports in the Region
- **RGU Digital Innovation Lab** – Enhancing a digital asset for North East Scotland, to address economic and societal challenges through the use of 3D mapping and digital twinning
- **Aberdeen Next-Gen City** – Harnessing IoT and sensor technology to create a more connected and efficient environment
- **Digital Challenge Fund** – Establish the possibility of a Challenge Fund, to encourage business and industry to create projects and proposals to benefit the Region

THE LOCAL VIEW – CONSULTATIONS & ACTIONS

Whilst the Digital Engagement Team continues to actively support residents, businesses and communities in matters relating to digital connectivity, there is wider work being carried out by the team to ensure that the North East of Scotland continues to be a loud voice in this space. We strive to ensure there is continued investment in telecoms infrastructure, while at the same time raising issues and concerns on how national policy can impact rural Scotland. Here are some of the key points the team is currently working on:

Ofcom – *Call for Input on Improving Mobile Connectivity* – The Digital Engagement Team is contributing to this national consultation, providing views and insights on the management of spectrum, as well as the development of policy on direct-to-device satellite services.

Openreach – *MDU Approach* – The Digital Engagement Team is working with internal departments and external stakeholders, to develop a streamlined approach for Openreach to deliver full-fibre upgrades to Council owned Multi-Dwelling-Units (MDU's), benefitting sheltered housing and council flat tenants.

Scottish Government – *R100 Evaluation* – The Digital Engagement Team has put itself forward to support the official evaluation of the Reaching 100% programme, and has committed to assisting in surveying residents and businesses affected by the delivery of the R100 programme.

Aberdeenshire Council – *Local Development Plan (LDP)* – Supporting the creation of the Local Development Plan 2028, the Digital Engagement Team is providing expert insight and advice on telecoms infrastructure in our communities, as part of the Infrastructure First Topic paper.

Ofcom – *Consultation: Resilience Guidance* – The Digital Engagement Team has provided a response to this consultation on behalf of the Aberdeen City region Deal, and is seeking to be involved in further work to support the policy development by the telecoms industry regulator.

DIGITAL ENGAGEMENT TEAM JOURNAL

The summer months have brought some great weather, and some not so great, but the holiday season hasn't dampened the volume of work for the Digital Engagement Team. The variety of work and projects being delivered and supported by the team is expanding, and this can only be celebrated as the team has its funding extended to September 2026 – meaning there is more scope for the Digital Engagement Team to deliver great work across a number of workstreams.

Since the last newsletter, the Team has directly supported a further **282** premises, helping residents get a better broadband solution for their home or business. With every enquiry we receive, we provide advice, information and guidance to ensure people are empowered with information, and have all options outlined for them. Within the enquiries that have closed or been resolved, the Team has a **96%** satisfaction rate, really showing the value being delivered in the service.

The Digital Engagement Team has attended 63 separate public events so far in this financial year, promoting the work being done by the Team and the wider Aberdeen City Region Deal, as well as providing advice, information and support to key community groups or stakeholders.

Some other highlights of work being undertaken in the last quarter include:

- **Supporting the new Enterprising Aberdeenshire service, and providing digital connectivity support to individuals looking to start their own business at events in Huntly and Ballater**
- **Attending three Community Council meetings across Aberdeenshire, providing specific and accurate information on existing digital connectivity, planned improvements, and action needed from the communities**
- **Contributing to the development of Aberdeenshire Council's Community Resilience Plan, providing information and guidance in relation to the roles digital and telecoms play in resilience matter**
- **Targeting engagement to residents recently connected to full-fibre to inform them of new services, and to research why uptake rates to full-fibre services are not as high as they could be**
- **Contributing to a Scotland-wide working group, ensuring Local Authorities and their residents are aware of, and prepared for, the PSTN switch off and move to digital phonelines**
- **Working with a number of rural businesses to provide bespoke advice on accessing better digital connectivity solutions**
- **Exploring new and additional ways to enhance communication of information, and promote available support, in matters relating to digital connectivity**

CALL TO ARMS

We all understand that access to reliable and fast digital connectivity is no longer a luxury but a necessity. It has become a vital lifeline that connects us to essential services, educational opportunities, economic growth, and social interactions. However, many residents still face challenges when it comes to digital connectivity. It is important to raise your voices and actively engage with one another to advocate for improved digital infrastructure.

The digital divide continues to impact individuals, families, and businesses in our area, limiting our potential and hindering progress. But we have the power to change that. By joining forces and making our voices heard, we can encourage key stakeholders to prioritise digital connectivity and take tangible steps towards bridging the gap.

So, how can you make a difference?



Contact Us: Reach out to the Digital Engagement Team directly and express your concerns about the state of digital connectivity in your community. Share personal stories and highlight the impact it has on your daily life, education, and business endeavours. Help us to prioritise improving digital infrastructure and expanding coverage in underserved areas.



Form Community Alliances: Join forces with fellow residents, community groups, and local businesses who share the same concerns. Together, organise meetings, petitions, or awareness campaigns to bring attention to the issue and amplify our collective voice. A united front will have a greater impact on the decision-making processes.



Stay Informed: Stay up to date with local council meetings, discussions, and initiatives related to digital connectivity. Attend public forums and consultations to voice your concerns and contribute to the decision-making process. Being informed allows us to engage effectively and make a more significant impact.

Remember, change begins with us all. Let's take action and work together to ensure that every community's digital connectivity needs are met. By contacting the Digital Engagement Team and advocating for better digital infrastructure, we can empower ourselves and future generations to thrive in the interconnected world.



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Supplier Name	Website	Full Fibre	Fixed Wireless	Fixed Mobile	Satellite
Assured Telecoms Ltd	www.assuredtelecoms.co.uk/	Yes			
BRDY	www.brdy.com/uk/				Yes
Converged Rural Broadband	www.crb.scot	Yes	Yes		
Cerberus Networks Ltd.	www.cerberusnetworks.co.uk/	Yes			
Converged Communication Solutions Ltd.	https://converged.co.uk/	Yes			Yes
External Reality Ltd.	www.externalreality.co.uk/	Yes		Yes	
Fibairo	www.fibairo.com/	Yes	Yes		
Fibre 1	https://fibre1.uk/	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Flexifi	https://flexifi.co.uk/	Yes		Yes	Yes
Formartinet	http://formartinet.co.uk/		Yes		
GoFibre	https://gofibre.co.uk/	Yes	Yes		
IFB	https://www.ifb.net/	Yes		Yes	
Leisure Connect	https://www.myleisureconnect.co.uk/	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Marykirk.com	https://www.marykirk.com/	Yes	Yes		
National Broadband	https://www.national-broadband.co.uk/			Yes	
Northsat Ltd	http://www.northsat.co.uk/		Yes	Yes	Yes
Not Spot Broadband	https://notspotbroadband.com/	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Openreach	https://www.openreach.com/	Yes			
Rural Communications	https://www.rural-communications.com/	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Scotnet.co.uk Ltd	https://www.scotnet.co.uk/	Yes	Yes		
Scot-Tel-Gould Ltd	https://www.scot-tel-gould.co.uk/index.html	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Starlink	https://www.starlink.com/				Yes
Transmitair Ltd / Rapier Systems Ltd.	https://transmitair.com/	Yes	Yes	Yes	
UltraNetworks Ltd	https://www.ultranetworks.co.uk/	Yes	Yes		
WiFab	https://www.wifab.co.uk			Yes	

DIRECTORY

Below, you will also find a number of useful websites in relation to digital connectivity:

Name	Website
Aberdeen City Region Deal	www.abz-deal.investaberdeen.co.uk/
Reaching 100% & Scottish Broadband Voucher Scheme	www.scotlandsuperfast.com
Project Gigabit	www.gov.uk/guidance/project-gigabit-uk-gigabit-programme
Gigabit Broadband Voucher Scheme	www.gigabitvoucher.culture.gov.uk/
Shared Rural Network (SRN)	www.srn.org.uk/
Ofcom Coverage Checkers	www.ofcom.org.uk/phones-telecoms-and-internet/advice-for-consumers/advice/ofcom-checker
Ofcom Connected Nations	www.ofcom.org.uk/research-and-data/multi-sector-research/infrastructure-research/summer-2023
PSTN Retirement	www.futureofvoice.co.uk/
Openreach Fibre Community Partnerships	www.openreach.com/fibre-broadband/fibre-community-partnership
Aberdeenshire Council Digital Connectivity	www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/business/business-support/communities/digital-connectivity/
Previous editions of Digital Engagement Newsletter	www.publications.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/dataset/digital-engagement-newsletter

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