

UPDATED CSW BROADBAND 12-MONTH PLAN ISSUED

The latest rolling 12-month plan has now been updated on the website, showing an additional 77 cabinets being brought into the rollout. We promised at the start that we would try to accelerate the programme as much as possible, so the rolling 12-month plan now shows:

Phase One – 52 Cabinets
Phase Two – 41 Cabinets
Phase Three – 77 Cabinets

The Network Coverage Map has also been updated. Our latest map is quite different from what has gone before. The main changes are: improved mapping to give more zoom-ability and greater clarity of detail; “Grey” “Black” and “Hatched” areas have shrunk. We have aggressively clipped these by including only those places where providers can offer 100% coverage. This means that, for instance, where there are exchange-only lines, we now have the opportunity to provide a solution.

As previously, one of the main problems we face is that the data we are given is detailed by postcode, and the maps are generated showing postcode data. However, telecoms infrastructure clearly does not follow postcodes. In fact, as the surveys progress we are finding that we have some postcodes that are served by a number of cabinets, and some cabinets that serve properties in more than one postcode. When you factor in the fact that some properties may be served by exchanges or cabinets that are several miles away you can see the difficulties. Therefore the information on this map is indicative only and actual coverage will change when we come to rollout to each area.

The latest rolling 12-month plan can be found at: <http://www.cswbroadband.org.uk/when-when/rolling-12-month-plan>