

LLANSANNOR COMMUNITY HALL ASSOCIATION

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Hello

UPDATE on the provision of High Speed Broadband in Llansannor, City & Trebettyn

If you have already contracted us following our last letter – thank you. If you haven't had a chance yet please do so, we need every ones support.

In the meantime its early days but let me update you on where we are so far:

- From the replies we have had back it is clear there are two issues: The obvious one of not having access to a fibre connection and the less obvious one that you apparently can have one but you can get it installed. We are going to try and tackle both problems.
- We have already raised a small number of obvious cases in City with Openreach and they have acknowledged there are some availability “anomilies”, their word, which they are currently investigating for us. We will hopefully be able to report back on these shortly.
- Our MP Alun Cairns and his ‘Broadband specialist’ Kay Rowlands have committed to:
 - Make further representation to Openreach on behalf of each individual property requesting detail of whether they are likely to see an uplift in broadband provision as part of the current scheme.
 - Provide further information to each of the properties on the community funded option, including facilitating meetings between the community and Openreach to take this option forward.

One reason why we need detail information on your current situation and who wants to be connected.

- We have received a response from the Welsh Government Cabinet Minister responsible for Superfast Cymru and its successor programme -, which admittedly was a very general political answer but it did confirm that although the ITT has not yet been issued they are planning to award a contract for the successor scheme in Spring 2018 and that roll out will now take account of partially build and incomplete infrastructure such as ours.
- We are receiving the support and backing for our campaign from the Community Council who are also liaising between us and Ystradowen who clearly have the same issues, so we can exchange information and learn from each others experiences.

So to push things along if you have not already done so please take a few minutes this weekend to email me on phil.summers@lineone.net with brief detail of your Fast Broadband situation:- Can you get it; Do you want it; Have you ordered and are trying to get an installation.

Thanking you again in anticipation for your support. As I have said before we can resolve this but we do need support from everyone now to push forward.

Yours sincerely,

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