

We're Connecting Cheshire

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Roll-out gathers momentum



Almost 20,000 homes and businesses now have access to superfast fibre broadband as a result of the Connecting Cheshire project, including Acton Bridge, Alderley Edge, Chester Central, Chester North, Christleton, Holmes Chapel, Runcorn, Tattenhall, Weaverham and Westwood, near Warrington.

Our Fibre Guys may have already made an appearance in a library or on a flyer near you and the team is busy spreading the good news that fibre is becoming available across Cheshire. Visit the [Check Availability](#) page on our website to see if you can upgrade to fibre broadband now.

Joining the fibre fast lane very soon...

Guilden Sutton, Kelsall, Poynton, Sandiway, Tarporley, Tarvin and Widnes

On a verge near you...

A key element of the Connecting Cheshire infrastructure deployment is the positioning and building of over 450 new green roadside cabinets. These will house the necessary communications equipment which will provide high speed broadband connectivity to homes and businesses.

A lot of planning goes into choosing a location for these new cabinets and, to ensure we can deliver fibre to as many premises as soon as possible, BT Openreach planners are looking to stand the majority of our remaining cabinets in the next few weeks.

This may mean that there is some delay between the cabinet installation and getting service as we connect these up to the network, however please keep checking for updates on our website and look out for a "fibre is here" sticker on your cabinet which indicates a fibre service is live. For more information on siting of cabinets please see [our FAQs](#)

Come and see us

Cheshire County Show

17th-18th June

Nantwich Show - 30th July

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helping you do more



Meet the real fibre guys

Meet **Bob**, a real Fibre Guy, working hard to get fibre to your community. Bob and his colleagues are out in all weathers tackling the dirty and tough jobs such as unblocking BT's underground ducting to get the new fibre cables through. This is a crucial part of our roll-out and often results in additional road works where blockages cannot be cleared using underground equipment. Challenges like these can have a knock-on effect and hold up our roll-out. So please bear with us. Bob and his colleagues are working flat out to get the cables installed from the exchanges to our network of cabinets across Cheshire.



Shop

Planning for your Summer Holidays. We can't guarantee it'll be sunny - but you can use the internet to find free and cheap activities for the kids' summer holidays and great ideas for family fun including 2 for 1 theme park or zoo entry and £1 cinema tickets. Get online and see what you can save.

Learn

Go ON launched a partner programme to boost the **Basic Online Skills** of every person, small business and charity.

Today, 18% of adults in the NW lack the basic online skills needed to send or receive email, use a search engine, browse the internet or complete online forms.

Watch

Results of a survey published by YuMe has found that 63% of people will watch World Cup highlights on their PC, with 23% on smartphone and 25% on tablet - how will you be viewing the 64 matches and highlights this summer?

Secure

Make sure you change your eBay password!

Hackers have accessed the personal details of 145 million users - equivalent to the population of Russia!

Connect

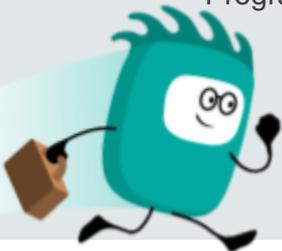
If Facebook were a country, it would be the third largest country in the world, bigger than the U.S. and Indonesia! The only countries with bigger populations than Facebook are China and India.



Superfast Business Case Study

Chester-based Obsidian Group is now saving £800 a month thanks to the fully-funded business support services from the Connecting Cheshire Superfast Business Programme. [Read their story](#)

For more information on Connecting Cheshire Superfast Business visit www.ccbusiness.co.uk or telephone 0300 123 1696



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If you have something you would like us to cover in our newsletter next month please email us at:

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