

Scrutiny Inquiry Project Outline

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY INQUIRY PROJECT OUTLINE

Review Topic:

Rollout of Superfast Broadband by BT

Objectives:

To understand the issues and concerns by BT and Lancashire County Council (LCC) on the rollout of Superfast Broadband in particular

- How the areas to receive superfast broadband had been prioritised and what will happen to those areas not eligible.
- To understand why the speed of superfast broadband was not consistent throughout the borough and to receive the average speed of superfast broadband throughout Chorley.
- To gain an understanding of what the publicity campaign had undertaken to make residents aware that they able to access Superfast Broadband.
- To understand if there were any budgetary implications due to the savings required by LCC.

Desired Outcomes:

- To gain an understanding of how areas are proprietries and the timescale for completion on the rollout.
- To be informed on other initiatives that LCC were exploring for those residents who would not qualify for superfast broadband.

Terms of Reference:

Equality and diversity implications:

Risks:

Whether partners will engage with this process

Venue(s):

Town Hall, Market Street, Chorley.

Timescale: 1 to 2 months

Start: March 2017

Chair: TBC

Finish: April 2017

Information Requirements and Sources:

Documents/evidence: (what/why?)

Witnesses: (who, why?)

Gemma Johnson, lead officer at Lancashire County Council for Superfast Broadband

Sean McGrath, support officer at Lancashire County Council for Superfast Broadband.

Consultation/Research: (what, why, who?)

Site Visits: (where, why, when?)

N/A

Officer Support:

Lead Officer: Chris Sinnott, Director (Policy and Governance)

Democratic and Member Services Officer: Ruth Rimmington

Likely Budget Requirements:

Purpose

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Total

Target Body¹ for Findings/Recommendations

Executive Cabinet

(Eg Executive Cabinet, Council, partner)

¹ All project outcomes require the approval of Overview and Scrutiny Committee before progressing