

This update is where you can find out information about the progress of our 'big build' to roll out fibre broadband across South Gloucestershire.

The council's Superfast Broadband Project continues to make excellent progress across South Gloucestershire. New fibre cabinets in our second, third and fourth communities are now live and ready for service, and thousands of residents and businesses are now able to enjoy all the benefits of a superfast fibre broadband connection.

Our target was to reach 10,000 premises by Autumn 2014. We exceeded this target by passing 11,000 homes in October 2014, which was great news!

As we come towards the end of Phase 1 of the Superfast Broadband Project, we have now passed over 15,000 homes and businesses in South Gloucestershire, which is a fantastic achievement!

Our final target is to reach 16,000 homes and businesses by 31 March 2015, which we are on track to achieve.

Our 'Total Homes Passed' (THP) counter and pie chart showing project progress have been updated to reflect these achievements, and our list of live cabinets has also been updated

The deployment is continuing in a number of communities including Henbury, Kingswood and Pilning.

We have been able to push the fibre coverage even further across South Gloucestershire, due to savings made during the project. Three additional cabinets were able to be included in the programme; Abson E8, Chipping Sodbury 35 and Didmarton E2, and the surveying of these cabinets is progressing well. Residents connected to these cabinets will be able to order the new and improved services from an Internet Service Provider (ISP) of their choice in March 2015.

All of the latest information about the project can be found on our web pages at www.southglos.gov.uk/broadband or you can follow us on Twitter: @sglosCouncil

Key figures

- We have now passed over 15,000 premises with our new fibre network across South Gloucestershire.
- We have installed and switched on 72 new fibre-enabled cabinets.
- The remaining cabinets that are due to be upgraded to fibre as part of the project have been installed in their new locations - work is underway to connect them to the new fibre network and get them live and ready for service.
- We have laid over 126,489m of duct and fibre as part of the superfast broadband rollout across South Gloucestershire.

94% of the South Gloucestershire Phase 1 Superfast Broadband Project is complete.