East & West Barkwith Parish Council

Broadband Connectivity

Proposed Public Meeting

Broadband speeds in East Barkwith have improved since the installation, a few years ago, of the fibre cable to the new cabinet near the Village Hall, although they are still lagging as you move further out of the village and in other parts of the Parish. Within the village the speed may meet your current needs but we now need to look at what will be required over the next decade.

Technological developments and the increasing demand for digital services have led to government recognition that in the coming years <u>all</u> areas are likely to need even faster speeds via fibre cables to the individual premises in order to gain access to Superfast broadband capable of supporting the demands of future software applications and the simultaneous use of multiple devices for different purposes.

The rollout of faster broadband by the larger companies will focus on urban areas with higher populations and hence higher levels of revenue.

Lincolnshire County Council is working with Broadband Delivery UK (BDUK) to promote the Government's Gigabit Voucher Scheme in order to bring the system to all those rural communities which would otherwise be the last to be connected – if ever! They are offering to attend a public meeting to present more details and answer any questions.

If you would like to attend a public meeting to learn more, please contact the Parish Clerk, as soon as possible, so that a suitable date and time can be arranged.

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