

# Openreach update

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## Orkney build planning – where will you see our engineers over the next 12 to 18 months

Around 1800 homes and business already have access to Full fibre, as a result of a range of programmes including R100. More than 600 premises have been enabled since the last forum in October with positively the first full fibre connections on Shapinsay expected to go live any day now!

**Phase 1** – Ongoing – (Building the network) - Engineers are currently working across the 3 islands to link the main subsea network back to the mainland paving the way for a resilient network to be ready in advance of full fibre rollout  
- *Westray Backhaul build now completed, with teams progressing to Eday then Sanday over the summer months.*

**Phase 2** - Engineers have been visible in a number of locations including Birsay, Evie, Orphir, Sandwick, and Stromness as well as on Shapinsay.

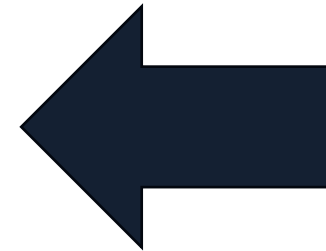
**Phase 3** – (Work planned) - Build is scheduled to commence in Westray, Eday, Rousay, Sanday, Stronsay and Harray. Surveys will commence also in places such as Deerness, Burray, St Margarets Hope with additional island planning for Hoy being looked at also.

**Phase 4** – Our commercial build plan for Kirkwall will commence with thousands of homes and businesses scoped for a full fibre upgrade across 2025 and into 2026 in the plan.

# Openreach - Fibre checker



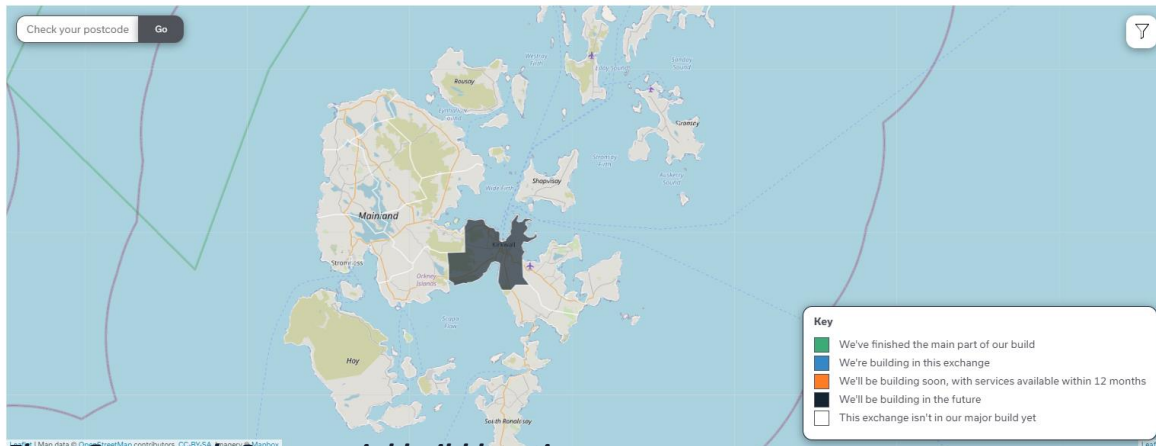
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## Is my exchange in your build plan?

Enter your postcode to see if your exchange has been announced as part of our build plan



Flags Openreach Commercial build locations.

## What can Ultrafast Full Fibre broadband do for my home?

With our Ultrafast Full Fibre, everyone in your home can experience the fastest fibre broadband ever. Stay seamlessly connected as you effortlessly surf the web, indulge in retail therapy, engage in epic gaming sessions, and so much more, all without missing a beat or enduring any pesky slowdowns.



### Say goodbye to slowdown

Enjoy Ultrafast broadband speeds even at the busiest times. We've built Ultrafast Full Fibre to be less affected by peak time congestion - so you can enjoy your Saturday night blockbuster in 4K without the dreaded buffering screen.



### Fastest fibre broadband

Even if you and the rest of your household are making video calls, streaming box sets or gaming online, all at the same time - you won't experience stuttering, buffering or dropouts.



### Future-proof

Ultrafast Full Fibre broadband will service your needs for decades to come. As fibre optic technology evolves, you'll already have everything that you need in your property to get the benefits - upgrade or downgrade your speed without ever needing an engineer to visit your home.



## Other Build Programmes

Other ways we're expanding our footprint

## [Fibre Community Partnership | Openreach](#)

### Fibre Community Partnerships (FCP)

- We work with your local community to build a customised fibre solution to bring fibre broadband to homes and businesses.
- We put a joint funding arrangement in place, which means we contribute some of the costs and your community funds the rest. We'll then build the most affordable solution we can to meet your needs. We'll also advise on any grants you might be able to get to help pay for your part e.g. from local authorities or the Government.
- If your area already has fibre broadband, you can also use a Community Fibre Partnership to upgrade to even faster speeds.

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