

Dear Kilmeston, Cheriton and Bramdean FTTP applicants,

You may remember from my Update No 2 that we were waiting for the budget, whereupon it was expected that we would receive more news.

The budget came and went and almost immediately after it went, we moved into "election purdah" which prohibits central and local government from making announcements about any new or controversial government initiatives that could be seen to be advantageous to any candidates or parties in the forthcoming election.

So it is to be hoped that, after 6 May, some progress will be made.

It's worth noting that the "Rural Broadband Engagement Officer" seems to be a one-man-band responsible for most of the south of England. He's probably snowed under, so, if any of you know anyone with any clout in OpenReach, please let us know.

When more information becomes available, we will pass it on.

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