

8th November 2016

**Briefing Note: Bute & Cowal Area CPG Facilitated Superfast Broadband
Rollout Workshop – 27th October 2016**

This briefing note relates to the findings of a workshop instigated by the Bute & Cowal CPG Chair following the CPG meeting held on the 9th of August 2016.

This briefing note completes the activities of the workshop.

Summary

There was a written update from Community Broadband Scotland regarding Superfast Broadband Rollout at the Bute & Cowal (CPG) meeting which generated discussion on a number of points. It was also noted that it would be beneficial to have a further discussion at a future meeting to allow the points raised at the meeting to be considered in more depth.

On consideration, the Chair felt that it would be more effective to hold a two hour workshop out with the CPG meeting cycle to allow interested Area CPG members more time to discuss the issues with representatives from HIE, BT, Community Broadband Scotland and the Argyll & Bute Council's Digital Liaison Officer.

A general invitation to attend a workshop to discuss in more depth the issues raised at the meeting held on the 9th August 2016 in relation to the Superfast Broadband Rollout update and the current issues that the local communities within the Cowal & Bute area are experiencing during the rollout process was circulated on the 6th of October 2016. A reminder e-mail was circulated on the 25th of October 2016.

The workshop took place in The Timber Pier Building, Dunoon between 10:00 – 12:00 on Thursday the 27th October 2016.

Key Points for Consideration

- A note of the discussion points is attached for information
- A General Information Bulletin is being prepared providing general information and useful links will be circulated shortly.

Recommendations

Members are requested to note the findings of the workshop and to disseminate the general information to the wider community through their communication networks.

Key Points for Discussion

This briefing is for noting.

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