

PLEASE 'VALIDATE' YOUR VOUCHER PLEDGE TO GET FAST FIBRE BROADBAND

A huge thank you to all who pledged their voucher in the last couple of weeks. 150 homes and 16 businesses have done so, raising almost £400,000, well above the target set to cover all installation costs in getting fast fibre cable laid to the door.

We have one final hurdle to jump over. Everyone who pledged their voucher will receive an email from gigabit.vouchers@notifications.service.gov.uk, which will look much like the attached email. This will include a link to click on and agree the T's & C's. Please check your junk / spam folder in case the email ends up there.

Please can you do this as soon as possible. This is the final step before Openreach start work. We have just heard from Openreach that if we do NOT get enough people validating their pledge by April 8, our project may be put on hold. The government is about to launch Operation Gigabit, an initiative designed to get rural communities connected to fast fibre broadband. Any community project like ours which has not been finally validated may be paused for an indefinite period and we are desperate to avoid this!

If enough of us validate their pledges, the installation phase should start shortly afterwards. The link below shows a short film from Openreach explaining how this works :
<https://www.openreach.com/fibre-broadband/full-fibre-broadband-installation-checklist>

So as soon as you get an email asking you to validate your pledge, please do reply quickly.