"GIG UP AND DOWN"

INTRODUCING THE FASTEST CONNECTIVITY IN THE HILLS

B4SH
Broadband for Surrey Hills Ltd

Ever asked yourself, *"My broadband is slow or often interrupted. What can I do?"* Or, *"I live in a rural community and I can't get a fast and reliable broadband connection, so I can't work from home."* Or even, *"Why is my service so much slower at this end of the road compared to the other end of the road?"*

Broadband speeds vary significantly and can be dependent on how close you live to the cabinet you are connected to, or just how many people are online at any given time.

We are developing a service with the specific aim of providing **hyperfast broadband services** to those areas of Surrey that are currently not well-served by current providers.

Broadband for Surrey Hills, B4SH (pronounced 'bash'), is installing a future-proof service. It will be **1,000 megabits per second upload <u>and</u> download** ie symmetric. Other large providers are most unlikely to increase their speeds to anything like our symmetric offering, and reserve symmetric products for vastly more expensive business services.

Our network will start in Albury and then move south though this can – and will – be influenced by investment and interest from those areas. The more investment and subscribers we have, the quicker the network rollout can be.

We are installing a brand new, latest technology, highly reliable, full fibre network following the distribution network design and methods used by Broadband for the Rural North (B4RN) (www.b4rn.org.uk). We will connect directly into their network at the Internet Exchange in Docklands. They currently provide service to over 4,000 homes and businesses in Lancashire, Yorkshire and Cumbria. We will not use any part of BT or Virgin Media's networks.

We need volunteers, without which we can't build this exciting network. We need volunteers, large numbers of you, who want to get out into the beautiful Surrey Hills, talk to your neighbours, fund raise, do leaflet drops, help us keep accounts, get free wayleaves (permission to dig), and when it comes to it, install the network! We need people to dig trenches, blow fibre, manage civil works, record our network on mapping software. We need all skills and can even offer training in some areas, so get in touch.

The service will be much quicker and more reliable than our competitors but will cost a fraction of what our competitors would charge for a similar product.

Our service will also be actively monitored 24/7.

B4SH is a not-for-profit, Community Benefit Society (CBS) which was registered on 3 November 2017, registration 7656. We have applied for pre-approval from HMRC for their Enterprise Investment Scheme (EIS). There can be no shareholder dividends and any surplus must be re-invested in community projects.

Don't wait for your existing service to become more outdated, plan for the future and help us install a network capable of delivering in the 21st century.

Our success depends on: volunteers (lots of them), landowners giving free wayleaves, investors purchasing shares and subscribers taking the service.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO KNOW MORE, PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM AT WWW.B4SH.ORG.UK OR EMAIL enquiries@b4sh.org.uk