

Connecting Shropshire programme update, May 2021

Voucher Scheme re-launched

The Government's UK Gigabit Voucher Scheme can help rural communities to get access to a gigabit-capable broadband connection. Thanks to a top-up from Shropshire Council, the maximum funding per voucher is **£7,000** for business premises and **£4,000** for homes. To find out more go to: http://connectingshropshire.co.uk/gigabitbroadband-voucher-scheme/

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GIGABIT BROADBAND VOUCHER SCHEME

Information and advice for Shropshire Council residents & businesses

If anyone in the Shropshire Council area has a query about the broadband infrastructure available to their home or business, please contact Connecting Shropshire on 01743 252203 or connecting.shropshire@shropshire.gov.uk

Broadband coverage map updated:

Connecting Shropshire has updated its current and projected coverage map (https://bit.ly/2S4BqTg) to show the remaining contracted superfast broadband coverage from Airband's State Aided contract with Shropshire Council, which is planned to complete by the end of 2021 (pink dots). For more information, please see: http://connectingshropshire.co.uk/broadband-coverage-map/

Note: we define superfast broadband as a download speed of at least 30mbps.

Summary of premises classification:

Classification	Premises
Current superfast broadband coverage (grey dots)	145,352
Planned coverage - Airband contracts (pink dots)	2,048
Planned coverage - excluding Airband contracts (blue dots)	2,523
No current or planned superfast broadband coverage (yellow dots)	1,405
TOTAL Premises	151,328

The online map is searchable by postcode to determine the classification of individual premises.

Screenshot of superfast broadband coverage map showing premises with no current/planned superfast broadband coverage (yellow dots) and planned coverage from Airband contracts (pink dots)

