Superfast broadband consultation

Superfast broadband provides high speed access to online services such as the internet. It will at last provide you with a smooth and uninterrupted internet experience, enabling you to surf the internet, download music & video, stream on demand TV, and play online games, at higher speeds (up to 100 Mega bites per second Mb/s).

Without superfast broadband it will become increasingly difficult for Islanders to access the exciting range of advanced services and products being developed for the internet. This will include home entertainment as well as online education, health and council services.

Superfast broadband will also support businesses on the Island, as well as attracting new businesses, which would help to create

more job opportunities and improve the Island's economy. Working from home will also be vastly improved via superfast connections allowing you to connect to your office computers in real time without interruption.

The Isle of Wight Council has secured funding from Government to help pay for the installation of superfast broadband across the island. This will mean that the Island can have world class, leading edge communications and entertainment services. However, the funding can only be spent where there is real demand for superfast broadband and we want to spend the money wisely.

By completing the following short survey, you will help inform our plans for installing superfast broadband and bringing these advanced services to you.

Broadband at home – current 1 Do you currently use the internet at home? Yes (please go to question 3) 2 Why don't you use the internet at home? Poor connection (please go to question 6) Do not want to (please go to question 14) Lack of computer equipment (please go to question 6) Other (please specify, then go to question 6)

3 Do you know your current internet connection speed?

(If you are unsure you can run a speed test at www.broadbandspeedchecker.co.uk and enter the results below.)

Upload speed	
Download speed	

4 How satisfied are you with your current internet connection?

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Undecided	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
Speed					
Reliability					
Cost					
Ability to choose a supplier					



5 What do you use your broadband connection for?

(please tick all that apply)

Shopping Shopping	Telephone calls via internet (VoIP) (eg, Skype)
Downloading/streaming movies	Browsing the web
Downloading/streaming music/radio	Social media (eg, Twitter, Facebook)
Downloading books	Working from home
Gaming	Internet banking
News/current affairs	Other (please specify)

Broadband at home – future

Broadband speeds vary on the Island. The information in the table below gives some indication of how broadband speed affects the time it takes to download various types of files, eg, songs, photos and videos.

Download times			
4 Mb (one song)	170 Mb (100 photos)	4.7 Gb (digital movie)	
10 minutes	7 hours	8 days	
21 seconds	15 minutes	7 hours	
Less than one second	19 seconds	8 minutes	
	10 minutes 21 seconds	4 Mb (one song)170 Mb (100 photos)10 minutes7 hours21 seconds15 minutes	

Note: these calculations assume a 'perfect' connection at the stated speed. Actual performance will vary due to technical requirements and internet traffic.

6 How important would a faster broadband speed be to you?

Very important	Fairly important	Important
Not very important	Not at all important	Don't know

7 How soon would you like to upgrade to faster broadband?

As soon as it is available I would wait to see what services are available

I wouldn't – I am happy with my current connection

A range of public services are currently being delivered, in some areas of the UK, via the internet. For example it is possible for NHS patients to monitor their health conditions remotely without having to make frequent or difficult journeys to the nearest hospital or GP surgery. New devices (like tablets/ipads) can also enable health practitioners to operate locally and make more house visits. Similarly advances in elearning are enabling people of all ages to study remotely. Other services available online include: public archives, library services, benefits and housing advice.

8 How likely is it that you would you use the internet to access a range of public services (eg, health, housing, benefits, education etc.)?

	Very likely	Likely	Undecided	Unlikely	Very unlikely	
9	Would you be p	prepared to pay	more than you cui	rently do for fast	ter broadband?	
	Yes	No No	Don't know			
10	lf you were like in choosing wh	•	e near future how	important would	l access to superfas	t broadband be
	Very importan	t	Fairly importa	nt	Important	
	Not very impo	rtant	Not at all impo	ortant	Don't know	
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Further comments

12 As part of our ambition to provide better broadband access across the Isle of Wight it is important to track whether the situation is improving over time.

Are you happy to be contacted by the Isle of Wight Council in future regarding your broadband needs?

Yes (please supply your email and or postal address below)	No

13 If you have any general comments about the internet connection you currently receive, please tell us below.

Ab	out you					
	Isle of Wight Council is committed to being opportunities provider of services and to r improvements in service delivery and serv We want to make sure that the right servic right people at the right time. To help us a		es and to making y and service redesign. ght services are reaching the	be helpful if you would please answer the following questions You may feel some of the questions are a little personal and you are not obliged to answer them, however the information we collect will be confidential and any data published cannot be traced back to you.		
14	Which of the fo	llowing de	escribes how you think of	yourself?		
	Male	Femal	e In another way	(please specify)	Prefer not to say	
15	Are you pregna	nt or have	recently given birth?			
	Yes	No No	Prefer not to sa	у		
16	Which age grou	ıp do you k	pelong to?			
	Under 16	16 to 1	19 20 to 24	25 to 34	35 to 44	
	45 to 54	55 to 6	64 65 and over	Prefer not to	say	
17	What is your ma	arital statu	ıs?			
	Single		Married		Civil partnership	
	Co-habiting		Divorced		Widow/Widower	
	Prefer not to sa	у				
18	B Do you consider yourself to have a disability, or a long-term illness, physical or mental health conditions? (The Disability Discrimination Act 1995 and the Equality Act 2010 define a person as disabled if they have a physical or mental impairment, which has a substantial and long term effect (i.e. has lasted or is expected to last at least 12 months) and has an adverse effect on the person's ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities).					
	Yes	No No	Prefer not to sa	У		
19	Do you conside	r yourself t	to be:			
	Heterosexual	Gay	Bisexual	Prefer not to	say	
	Other (please sp	pecify)				
20	Have vou under	rtaken. or a	are you undertaking, ge	nder reassignm	ent?	
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Prefer not to say

Yes

No

21 To which of these groups do you consider you belong to?

White British	Asian British	Black Caribbean
lrish	Indian	Black African
White – Black Caribbean	Pakistani	Chinese
White – Black African	Bangladeshi	Prefer not to say
White and Asian	Black British	Other (please specify)

22 How would you describe your religion/belief?

I have no religion/belief	Prefer not to say	Other (please specify)	

Thank you

Thank you for completing the survey.

The results from this survey will be published in the bidding document which will be sent to BIS to support the Island's bid for government funding.

Please post the survey back to the following address on completion:

Superfast Broadband, Economy and Skills Room 304 County Hall Newport PO30 1UD

Your personal information will be held and used in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. The council will not disclose such information to any unauthorised person or body and will only use your details in relation to this consultation exercise.