



Communication to Slinfold Community

FAO Chris Leyland

Slinfold Parish Council

Dear Chris

I write to inform you of changes in investment priorities and focus for F&W Networks which has implications in respect of the voucher scheme full fibre planned from Slinfold.

F&W has undertaken a comprehensive review of its business priorities over the next 12 months and will now increase its focus on driving take-up across its current build and available network (i.e. ready for service - RFS), alongside a reduced focus on commencing new builds.

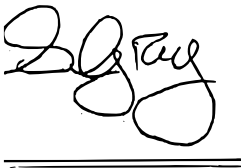
This sadly has implications for the planned build of the Voucher Scheme at Slinfold. Having reviewed its spending priorities, F&W Networks cannot now proceed with this Voucher Scheme build.

Whilst we will continue to review business priorities on a 3 monthly basis, the pressure by BDUK to complete voucher schemes as quickly as possible means that it is unlikely this scheme can be built in the future, which of course is regrettable given the level of community interest shown over the course of the last 12 months.

We realise this will be very disappointing news we hope that the government's ongoing commitment to getting the UK connected to broadband alongside wider commercial investment will still lead to full fibre networks at Slinfold in the near future.

We are happy to arrange a discussion to answer any community questions relating to this decision and intend to contact each registered person to inform them of this change of circumstance.

Regards



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