

# Broadband for the Rural North Ltd, Station Yard, Melling, Carnforth LA6 2QY Registration no. 31352R

Dear Resident

Broadband for the Rural North Ltd (B4RN) is delighted to be expanding its broadband network into East Anglia in response to community demand.

I trust that by now you are aware of B4RN and have either been along to a village hall presentation or have had a doorstep conversation with a fellow resident and B4RN volunteer about the B4RN offering. If you haven't, you'll find more information at http://b4rnorfolk.org.uk/

Today we are opening four funding chests in East Anglia for those that wish to invest in B4RN to make affordable hyperfast broadband a reality.

The first communities and funding chest are as follows:

#### **Thelveton 101**

We are undertaking a pilot project of 101 houses, being 100% of the properties in Billingford, Thelveton and Upper Street which are in the civil parish of Scole as defined in Summer 2016. This is Thelveton route 1.

For the pilot project to go ahead, we need to raise £124,215. We expect to raise most of the money from the residents in this area however anyone may invest in this project if they so wish. We won't commence a build-out in any other areas until the funds for this pilot project are raised and work is well progressed.

To allocate funds for this project, please indicate "Thelveton 101" on the shares application form.

## **Shimpling Route 1**

Shimpling route 1 connects all 67 properties to the East of the railway line in Burston & Shimpling CP, plus 5 properties to the West of the A140 between Thelveton and Shimpling. The estimated cost is £82,500.

To allocate funds for this project, please indicate "Shimpling & Burston CP" on the shares application form.

### Gissing

Gissing routes connect all 130 properties in Gissing CP. Estimated cost is £200,000.

To allocate funds for this project, please indicate "Gissing CP" on the shares application form.

## **East Anglia**

Alternatively, you may allocate funds for East Anglia. This will allow us to direct your funds to whichever project, combination of projects or other related activity in East Anglia that will have the most impact in accelerating the network build-out.

To allocate funds for East Anglia at large, please indicate "East Anglia" on the shares application form.

## **Enterprise Investment Scheme**

More information about the Enterprise Investment Scheme and those that are eligible is provided in the shares prospectus and is also available from the <a href="https://www.gov.uk">www.gov.uk</a> website. Don't forget to tick the EIS box on the shares application form if you wish to receive a certificate to claim EIS tax relief.

## **Application forms & shares prospectus**

Application forms and the shares prospectus are available to download from the Investor tab on the Resources page of the B4RN website: <a href="https://b4rn.org.uk/resources/">https://b4rn.org.uk/resources/</a> or by emailing <a href="mailto:info@b4rn.org.uk">info@b4rn.org.uk</a>.

If you wish to split your investment between several communities (as outlined below), or between a community and general funds, please fill in an individual shares application form for each.