

Bruisyard Annual Parish meeting – 21 May 2018

David Smith reported on the information he had received from 'Better Broadband for Suffolk' on the roll-out of superfast broadband in Bruisyard. The service will be installed in Bruisyard between June and the end of September and in Bruisyard Street between September and the end of December. The service will be delivered using 'fibre to the cabinet' and then over the existing copper lines between the (green) cabinet and the premise. For homes within a line length from the cabinet of about 500m should be able to receive a download speed of up to 50Mb/s whilst those about 1500m away will be up to ~20Mb/s. David pointed out that these speeds were dependent on the copper line being in good condition between the cabinet and the premise. Any poor connections along the copper line would reduce both the download and upload speeds. David commented that the quality of the copper line installation in the village was not good and hence expectations should be managed as homeowners who take the superfast broadband service may have to report faults to get their copper line repaired to a sufficient standard to achieve the stated download and upload speeds. David mentioned that the 'fibre to the cabinet' deployments in Bruisyard and Bruisyard Street would be some of the last done by BT Openreach. As from 2019, all future superfast broadband installations would be 'fibre to the premise' which is a more future proof technology giving much higher broadband speeds.