



# Focus

## Update on Walton Grange

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## FIBRE BROADBAND — Getting Closer

After months of delay and even more pressure from your Lib Dem **Focus** team, BT are finally starting action to install broadband on Walton Grange.

BT haven't solved the problem with fibre to cabinet, so they will install fibre to the premises. That's good news for those who wanted superfast broadband, but may not be good news for all as they have to reach every home.

BT have agreed to try to cover all homes on the estate—not just the early arrivals. But they think covering Holland Way may be difficult because the building is still going on nearby.

### HELP US NOW!

Overleaf we explain more about the issues still to be resolved. But right now, we need two bits of help!

1. **PLEASE fill in the slip overleaf**, whether you are interested in broadband or not - we urgently need to know how many homes BT need to allow for!  
**Leave it sticking out of your letter box by 7pm today and we'll pick them up**
2. If you live in a flat, please find out who your landlord is and let us have contact details.



*Residents of Walton Grange with councillors campaigning for fibre this summer  
Well done - you got BT's attention at last!*

## Action & Service All Year Round

# Broadband - More Details

There are three caveats to saying that everyone will be able to get broadband

- ▶ The cable ducts need to be undamaged and suitable for broadband.  
BT will be surveying the cable ducts soon to see if they are undamaged, and to check that they are suitable for fibre and then they'll confirm which properties can be connected. If they're not, and if it's too expensive to fix them, the homes in that part won't be connected for a few years
- ▶ BT need to gain access to the buildings—the landlord of flats needs to agree. Please let us have contact details for your landlord
- ▶ BT need to allow enough capacity for everyone who wants it to get fibre  
This is the big one! BT normally assume that **around 40%** of people will take fibre. But from what you've told us, it could be **over 90%** here! BT will decide how many to allow for when they've done the survey. Registration via their website doesn't always get through, so please **TELL US on the slip below, whether or not you want fibre**. This doesn't finally commit you.

## Update on Other Issues

- ▶ The **development next door** has been delayed while MK Council work out whether they can afford to let the employment land go. Hopefully there will be a decision before Christmas.
- ▶ As a result, the **play area** has also been delayed, but Council officers agreed recently to cost it up and informally earmark the money.
- ▶ We have put in a bid for the **footpath** down the V10 - and the **safe crossing**. Please contact us if you want to help with that campaign.
- ▶ Councillors met with the NHS recently - and were appalled to find that there has been absolutely **NO progress** on getting a **GP for Walton Grange** - or for any of the other areas waiting in MK! We asked, again, that the NHS sort out how they deal with new areas **URGENTLY!**

**Please Leave this Slip out by 7pm Sunday 2nd Nov!  
or return it to Jenni Ferrans 4 Chetwode Ave, Monkston, MK10 9EJ  
j.ferrans@mklibdems.co.uk**

Name:

Internet provider:

Address:

Landline no:

Email:

I am unlikely to want fibre-optic broadband at present.

Or:

I understand that if I register, whilst this does not finally commit me, I will be expected to buy fibre optic broadband and BT and other providers may contact me with details of their products.

I confirm that I have registered interest in fibre-optic broadband on BT's website.

Or:

I request that the Focus team register my interest with BT.

Data Protection Act. If you reply to us the Liberal Democrats and their elected representatives may use the information you've given to contact you. Some contacts may be automated. You can opt out of communications at any time by contacting us.

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