

Amended Minutes
Meeting of North Tipperary Broadband Group
26th August, 2005
Civic Offices, North Tipperary County Council, Nenagh.
 Prepared by: A. O'Reilly, North Tipperary Broadband Coordinator

In Attendance

Gerard Lynch, North Tipperary Co. Co.
 Brian Keating, Shannon Development.
 Donal Purcell, Tipperary North CDB.
 Anthony O'Reilly, North Tipperary Broadband Coordinator

Apologies

Michael Cox, Tipperary Institute.
 Luke Murtagh, North Tipperary VEC.
 Tom Barry, North Tipperary County Development Board
 Terry O Niadh, North Tipperary Co. Co.
 Isabel Cambie, Tipperary Leader Group.
 Rita Guinan, North Tipperary CEB.
 Tomas O'Domhnaill, Shannon Development.

Item	Description	Action By
Minutes of previous meeting	The minutes of the last meeting on 1 st July were agreed.	
Recent broadband developments	<p>A.O'Reilly gave an update of broadband activities since the last meeting.</p> <p>A.O'Reilly outlined details of the 'Broadband for Business' seminars as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 'Broadband for Business' seminars took place in Thurles (23rd August) and Roscrea (25th August) and another 2 will take place in Templemore (30th August) and Nenagh (1st September), - The lunch-time seminars were promoted by Tipperary North County Enterprise Board as a means of helping Owner/Managers to understand the benefits of broadband. - Presentations were made at each seminar by A.O'Reilly and M.Cox. - A number of broadband service providers also attended each of the seminars. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Although the numbers of business users that attended the Thurles and Roscrea seminars were less than 15 in each case, those attending were very interested in the content and considered it beneficial. <p>The progress of the CGBS2 proposals for North Tipperary was outlined by A.O'Reilly.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Another 2 proposals were approved in August, those being for the Lower Ormond and Dromineer communities. These were the only 2 additional proposals to be approved thus far in August in the Shannon Region. - Overall, 4 of the 5 North Tipperary proposals have now been approved. - Final queries related to the remaining combined Tipperary proposal submitted by Premier Broadband have now been resolved and it is likely to be listed along with the next batch of approved proposals. This proposal includes the North Tipperary areas of Borrisoleigh, Drom-Inch, Holycross, Horse & Jockey, Two Mile Borris, Upperchurch. - The broadband service providers are now working to implement the CGBS schemes as quickly as possible. - A.O'Reilly informed the broadband service providers again of the need to contact North Tipperary County Council regarding their potential requirement for planning permissions associated with the CGBS implementations. <p>The action plan for the months August 2005 to January 2006 was discussed. It was noted that members not present at this meeting may wish to review the action plan and suggest changes or additions to it.</p> <p>A.O'Reilly proposed the use of a commercial database such as Kompass as a means of acquiring a list of up-to-date North Tipperary business contacts for use in broadband promotion. It was agreed that it would be helpful to have one integrated database of North Tipperary business contacts that could be shared, accessed and updated by members of the NTBG. G.Lynch indicated that such a database could be hosted by North Tipperary County Council.</p>	<p>All</p>
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	<p>A.O'Reilly will contact the members of the NTBG to discuss the issue of compiling such a database of business contacts.</p> <p>It was also agreed that a similar integrated database of community contacts should be compiled.</p> <p>G.Lynch and B.Keating requested that the minutes reflect the gratitude of the NTBG members to A.O'Reilly for his work as North Tipperary Broadband Coordinator from February to July, 2005. It was noted that the deliverables that could be expected during the period August 2005 to January 2006 may not be as tangible as those during the first 6 month period, dependent, for example, on further developments associated with the County and Group Broadband Schemes.</p>	<p>A.O'Reilly</p> <p>A.O'Reilly G.Lynch D.Purcell</p>
Broadband Programme for the next month	The group discussed and agreed that the action plan submitted by A.O'Reilly be pursued during the next month.	
Next Meeting	Friday 30 th September at 2:30 PM, Civic Offices, Nenagh.	