

**1 Purpose**

- 1.1 To provide an update on the Aylesbury Vale Broadband project in response to a Member request in line with Section E4 of the Council's constitution.

**2 Recommendations**

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| 2.1 That Members note the report and update as presented at the meeting. |
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**3 Supporting information**

- 3.1 In April 2015 the Council approved the establishment of the Aylesbury Vale Broadband Company. Members will recall that the Council agreed to allocate up to £1.536m of the New Homes Bonus funding for the rollout of broadband in the Vale. This included providing funding of up to £200k for a pilot project in the North Marston and Granborough area.
- 3.2 The original business case and outline business plan as approved by Council in April 2015, is attached as Appendix 1 in the confidential section of the report in light of the commercially sensitive information contained therein.
- 3.3 Appendix 2, also included in the confidential section of the report, provides the latest update on the project with an overview of the current position regarding the project.
- 3.4 The AVB website also contains the information on the project progress that is available to the general public. See [www.avbroadband.co.uk](http://www.avbroadband.co.uk) for the detail.
- 3.5 Andrew Mills, one of the directors of the AV Broadband Company will be in attendance at the meeting to provide a verbal update and answer any questions.
- 3.6 The plans for the next areas for investment from the rest of the AVDC funds will be considered once the North Marston and Granborough network has been implemented and evaluated later in the year. This will be done alongside the potential areas for future investment in relation to the next phase of the Connected Counties project.

**4 Resource implications**

- 4.1 None associated with this report that have not already been accounted for in the allocation of Council funds.

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Background Documents

Names of Background documents