

THE BUILD BULLETIN

Updates for York

October 2023

ESCRICK

In October, our team were busy beavering away in Escrick. Thanks to the hard work of Helen, Liam and the RuralFibre4U team, we've made major headway building the foundation for Escrick's full fibre broadband network.

You may have spotted the team surveying Escrick's existing underground infrastructure and pulling our smaller subduct through existing subducts on Carr Lane towards the A19. This smaller subduct will house and protect the new fibre cables.

We've been running smoothly through the previously mentioned civils schedule which is due to finish in mid-November. You may have spotted our team on Woodlands and Dower Chase repairing existing underground infrastructure and installing 'Toby' boxes. These 'Toby' boxes sit on the perimeter of each property which is fed underground, allowing the network to connect all the way through to your home or business.

In other exciting news, we've started installing fibre cables throughout the village. Since the last week of October, we have blown 3,400m of fibre through Carrs Meadow, School Drive, Escrick Park, The Glade, Dower Chase, Dower Park, and Escrick Court. This is a major achievement for all involved, bringing us one massive step closer to connectivity. We are forecasting for all the cables to be installed by mid-December.

Cabinet status

We are still waiting for the leased line to be installed by our supplier. This is the vital fibre connection between Escrick's cabinet and the local internet exchange. We are currently waiting for an update from our supplier which we expect to receive in the next week. This update should give us a more accurate prediction of timescales. Until they install this line, we cannot begin home installations.

Community event

Thank you to those who took the time to join us at our community event. We thoroughly enjoyed talking through the network, getting familiar with some friendly faces and answering all of your questions. If you couldn't make the event, please feel free to send any queries to hello@factco.co.uk.

STOCKTON ON THE FOREST

Throughout October our team worked hard to ensure your full fibre network is in a tip-top condition. We're happy to report that the network build is now 90% complete. You may have seen our team along Sandy Lane and The Village testing the network and building the remaining nodes. Wondering what a node is? Check our jargon buster [here](#).

The remaining works are dependent on permits from the local authority and a defective pole which needs to be swapped out on Sandy Lane. We're aiming to cross these tasks off the list by December.

Cabinet and leased line status

We're currently awaiting an update on the status of our leased line from our supplier. This leased line is the vital fibre connection between Stockton on the Forest's local cabinet and the internet exchange. Without this, we can not make the network live.

Once installed, our team will fit the active equipment into the cabinet in order to make it live! Then home and business connections can begin.

If you're yet to sign a contract, it's not too late. Call our friendly team on 0333 305 7560 (or email hello@factco.co.uk) to lock-in our latest offer for up to two years.

