



Media Release

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Strathfield switches onto superfast broadband

The National Broadband Network has been switched on in Strathfield today, meaning families and businesses in the suburb of Sydney will be some of the first in the area to be able to upgrade to superfast broadband.

The NBN now passes more than 2600 homes and businesses across the community, with the rollout set to extend to a further 2300 premises in the coming months.

Eligible families and business owners can choose an NBN service from phone or internet service providers, with packages comparable to existing plans and the prospect of faster speeds and greater capacity over the fibre.

According to NBN Co's General Manager of External Relations Trent Williams, superfast broadband opens up a world of opportunities for families across the state and Australia.

"People on the NBN are discovering they can work from home like they would from the office, get all the family online at once and stream TV over the internet without constant buffering. It also offers the prospect of bringing families and friends across the country closer together,"* Mr Williams said.

"Residents that can connect should call their preferred phone or internet provider to order a service over the NBN. Once they've made an order, their service provider will arrange for the NBN to be installed inside their home or business," he said.

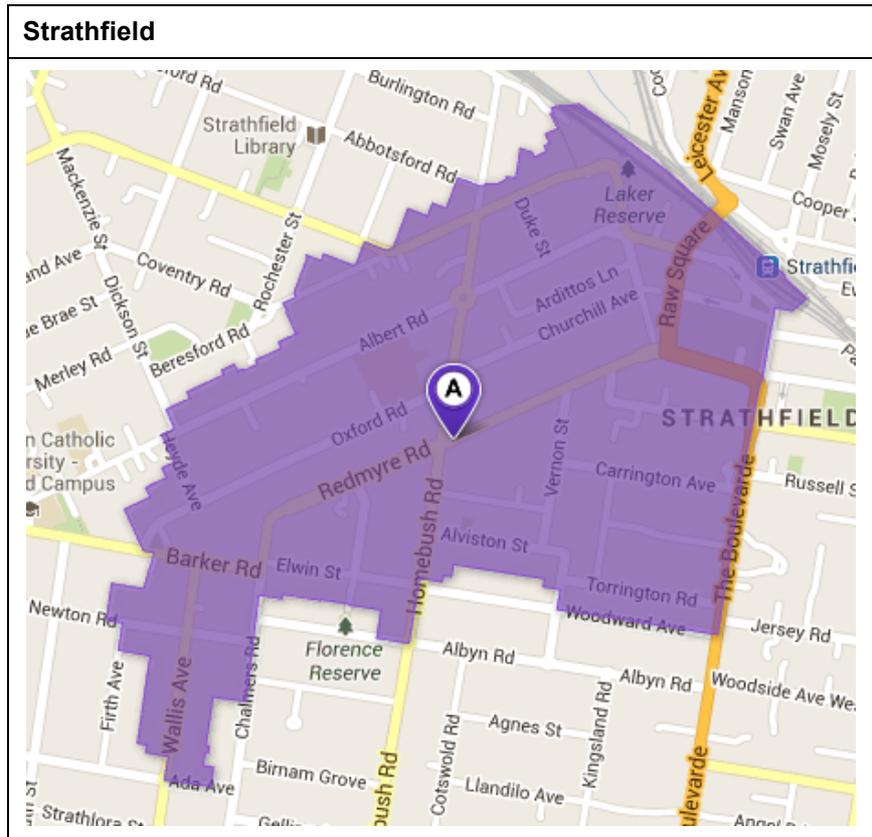
Construction on building the fibre network in the adjacent areas of Lidcombe, South Windsor, Londonderry, Richmond, Box Hill, Doonside and Blacktown and Liverpool continues. The rollout of the NBN is due to be completed by 2021. For more information please visit www.nbnco.com.au

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Notes to Editors

- NBN Co does not charge consumers for a standard installation of NBN equipment in a home or business. Consumers should speak to their service provider to see if they have any other charges such as set up or activation fees. All Australian homes and businesses within the fibre footprint will ultimately need to access voice and internet services over the NBN as existing landline phone, ADSL internet and Telstra and Optus cable internet services are progressively switched off^{##}.
- * End user experience including the speeds actually achieved over the NBN depends on some factors outside our control like equipment quality, software, broadband plans and how their service provider designs its network.
- ^{##} For a list of existing services that are not replaced by the NBN visit www.nbnco.com.au/switch or call us on 1800 687 626