

INCA Standards Group

Wed 2 Feb 22

11:00 – 12:00

Time	Item	Who
11:00	Intro & welcome to new Chair	Malcolm
	Update on INCA / Ofcom bilateral	Max, Malcolm
	Feedback from altnets	
	Government regulator letter	
	INCA Draft Position Statement	Max
	Stance for next Ofcom WG 8 Feb	
11:55	AOB	
11:55	DONZ dependent on Ofcom WG schedule	

- Feedback from INCA / Ofcom bilateral 15 Dec 22
- Feedback from altnets
 - CityFibre
 - Community Fibre
 - Glide
 - Hyperoptic

- BEIS 31 Jan 22
- [Strategic priorities and cross-sectoral opportunities for the utilities sectors: open letter to regulators - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)
- “In relation to costs and service provision, we expect regulators to ensure the provision of transparent information for consumers to boost engagement, shape understanding and enable informed choices.”
- Involves CMA (maybe we should approach them on competition in general?)

Max

- Starting point FTTP / FTTC / HFC / FWA as per GS
- Cross-referenced with Connected Nations
- Clarity in consumer comms not aided by Tiers
- Complexity / accreditation / policing (cf [EST](#))
- Label / protect the tech description
- Label gigabit-capable

- Full-fibre / full fibre
- 5G
- Gigabit-capable
- Gigabit speeds
- Upgraded cable (those that are gigabit-capable)
- DOCSIS
- Superfast
- Copper (ADSL)
- Fibre to the cabinet (FTTC)
- Hybrid fibre coaxial cable (HFC)
- Full fibre or “fibre to the premises” (FTTP)
- Fixed Wireless Access (FWA)
- Fixed Wireless Access via Wireless ISPs (WISPs)

Ofcom WG mainly P&R

Use cases intended to communicate benefits of different connections (Tiers or Tech) to consumers to give them a reason to upgrade / adopt Gigabit-capable connections (the policy goal).

- There are already Use cases in Connected Nations

Type	Speed	Use cases	Fixed broadband technologies that can provide this service
Decent	10 Mbit/s down / 1 Mbit/s up	Video e.g. Zoom 1 hour HD TV (1GB in 15 min)	Copper (ADSL) FTTC (VDSL) HFC Cable Full Fibre
Superfast	At least 30 Mbit/s down	1 4K/UHD stream 1 hour HD TV in under 4.5 min	FTTC (VDSL) HFC Cable Full Fibre
Gigabit	1 Gbit/s and above down	4K film (100GB) in under 15 min greater reliability future proofed	HFC Cable (DOCSIS3.1 and above) Full Fibre

- Currently
 - pro-technology differentiation: FTTP / FTTC / HFC / FWA
 - anti-Tiers
 - Gigabit Tick
- Discuss
- Next Ofcom WG 11am 8th Feb

- AOB
- DONZ:
 - Depends on timing of Ofcom's yet-to-be-scheduled Session 6
- [ISG Meeting Wed 2 Feb 22 | INCA](#) (inc draft position statement)
- [INCA Standards Group | INCA](#) with meeting docs and notes
- reference info [GigaTAG and Labelling | INCA](#)
- INCA Gold Standard [INCA Gold Standard Scheme | INCA](#)
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