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Donald McHarrie submission on behalf of Stranraer Community Council of 25 September 2018

Stranraer Community Council found out about this petition a little too late to actively promote it for signatures.

However, through the Public Petitions process, Stranraer Community Council would like to show their support for this petition.

Scotland's rural economy is being held back due to its geographical locality and that should not be the case in this age of internet communications.

It's practically essential for running any type of business these days no matter where it is located in a 21st Century Scotland not one of the 18th. Farmer's need to record livestock information online, But hasn't got all day for a page to load up in his browser. A Scottish Rural community may not have a top class road or rail infrastructure to it but that is no excuse for it to have poor connectivity via broadband and telephone exchanges. Broadband service in Scotland should be fast connection no matter the postcode.

Rural Scotland is poorly serviced by fast broadband services and this needs to be remedied as a matter of urgency for the sake of Rural Scotland.