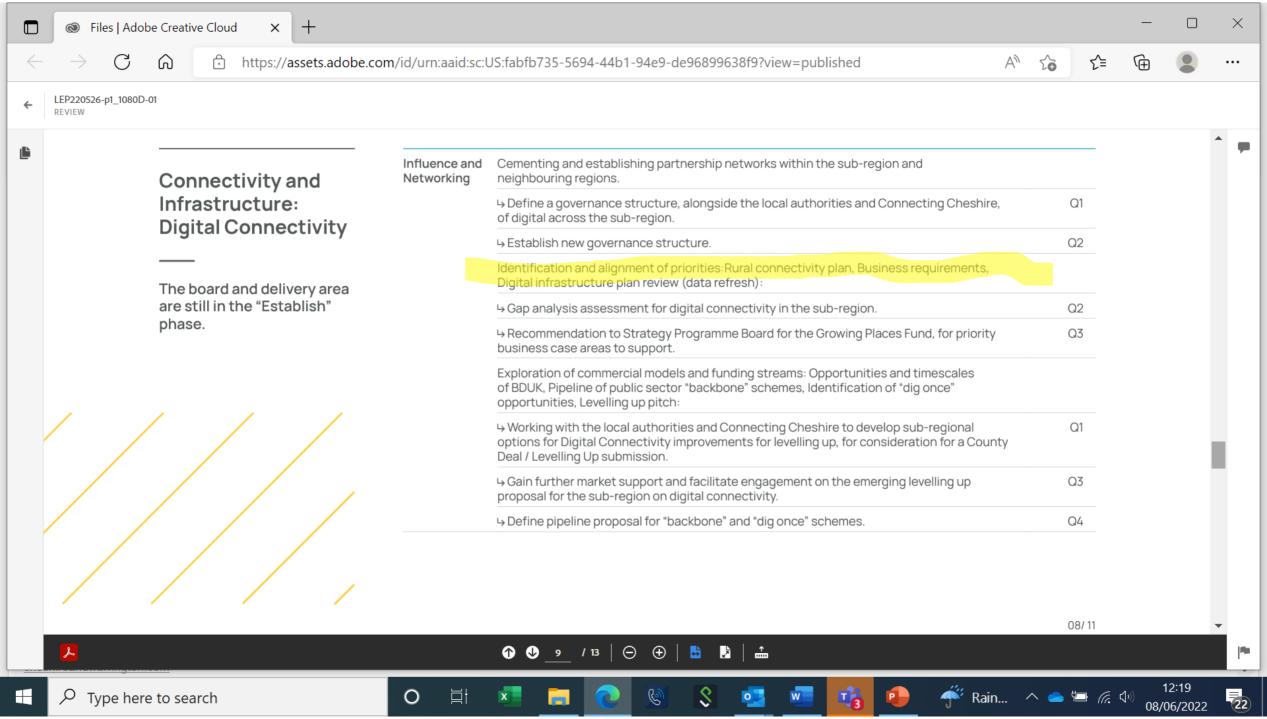
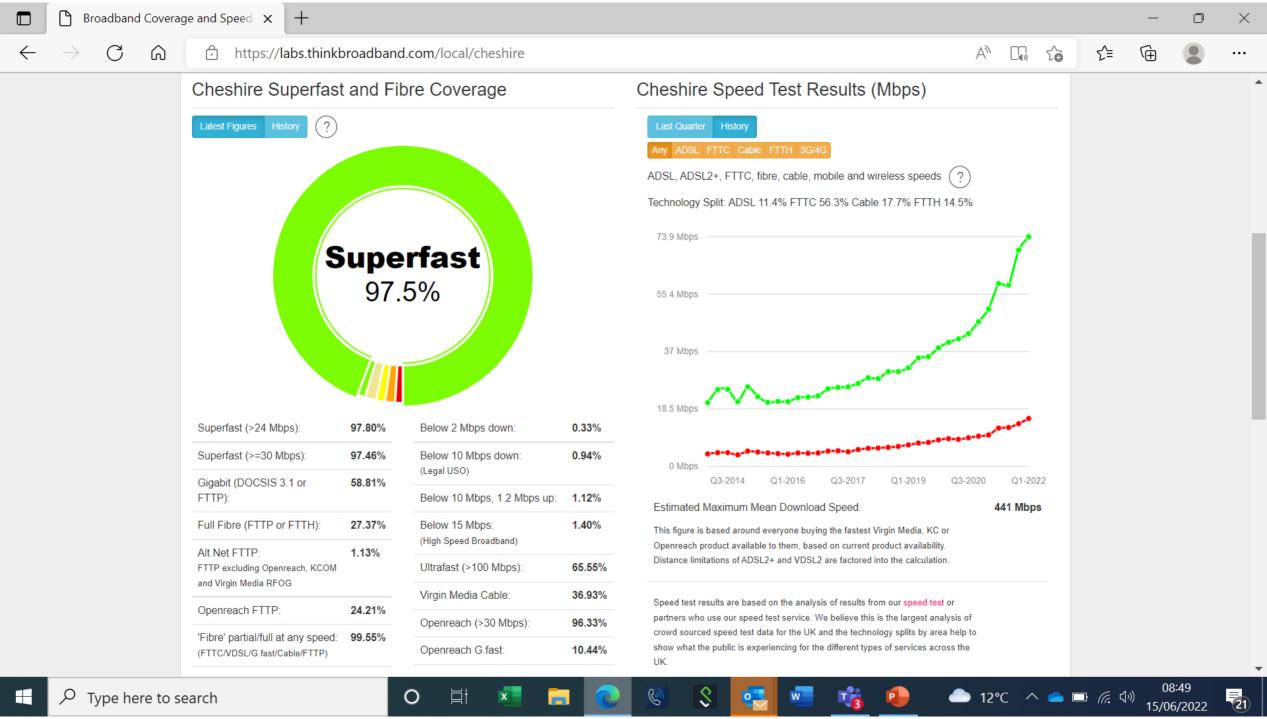
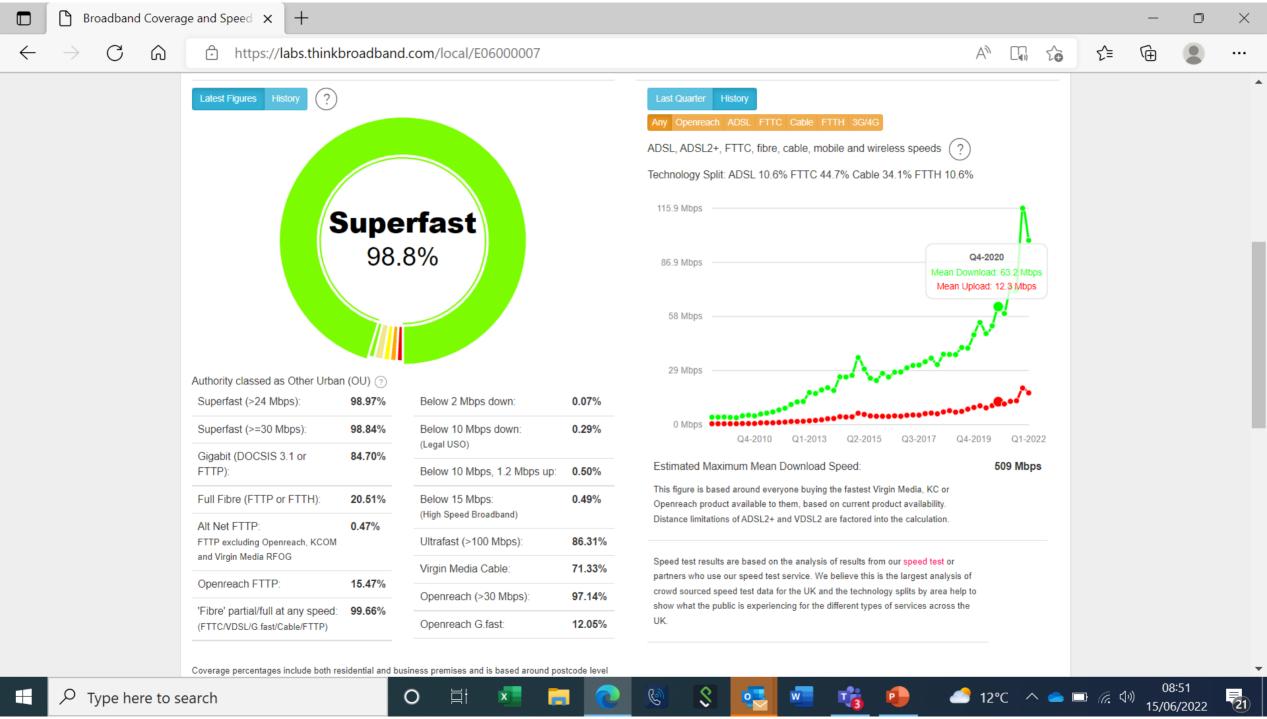


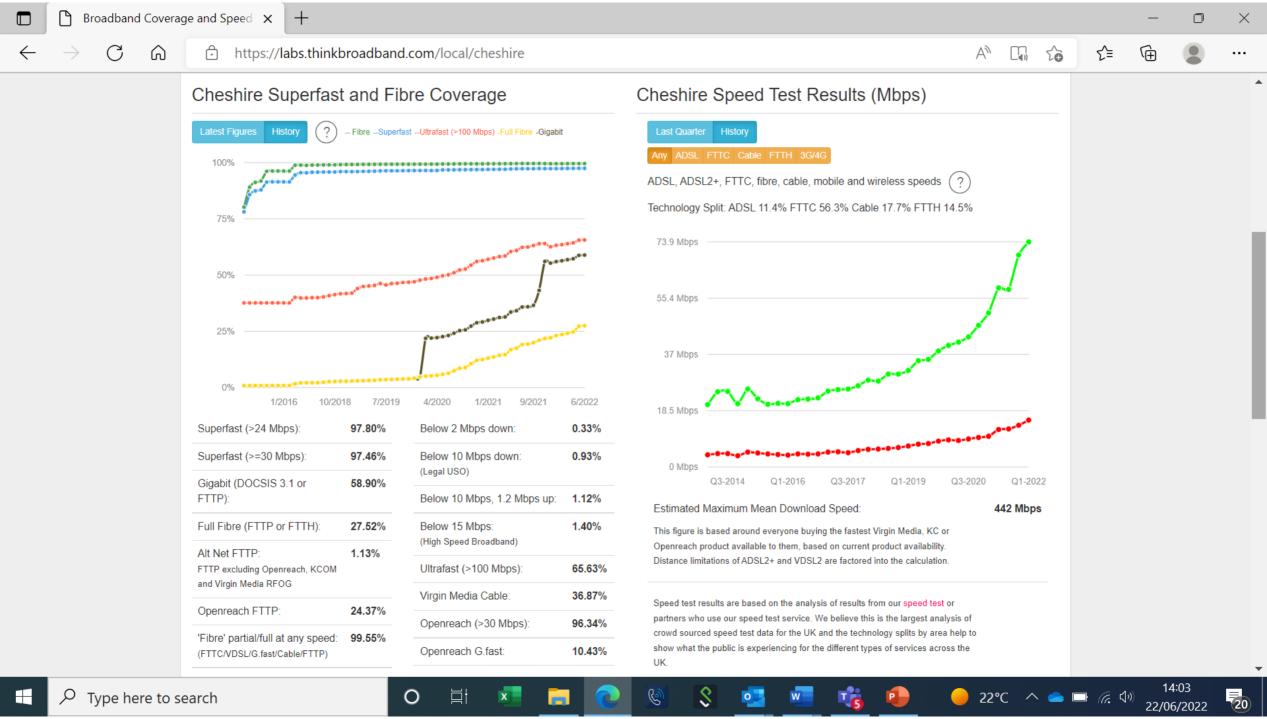
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Millenials, Generation Z ("Digital Natives")

- 1995 founding of Amazon, Yahoo and Ebay
- 2000 Dotcom boom
- 2004 First Sat Nav / GPS location

So What?

Digital Natives (those that grew up with the internet) are entering the workforce now.

Greater variety of social media accounts

More gaming

More Smartphone use

https://www.ofcom.org.uk/ data/assets/pdf_file/0025/217834/adults-media-use-and-attitudes-report-2020-21.pdf

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Imagination (or is it?)

- Ordering a driverless, autonomous bus or taxi by mobile phone anytime, anywhere.
- Monitoring a patient or vulnerable person remotely including provision of voice services, chatbots.
- A personal device or room sensor that alerts emergency services to "critical" changes in body condition.
- GPS locator for emergency services.
- Biometric identification
- Receiving twin factor authentication codes to a mobile to authorise payment transactions
- Personalised TV, advertising and streaming services
- Personalised and virtual retail offers
- Remote control of supply and demand
- Digital management of livestock, feed, yield, water supply / irrigation, fertiliser levels.
- Labour shortages driving technological advances
- Expansion of the "metaverse" growth in Virtual and Augmented Reality for work, commercial and social interaction

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Barriers

- Infrastructure
- Funding
- Planning cabling installation, siting of masts, satellite receivers?
- Affordability of devices and connections
- Skills
- Decision makers
- Community at Large
- Coders, Developers
- Speed of change
- Risk of "Silo" thinking





Who are we "doing this for"? – residents, businesses
We are seeking to prioritise needs, not technologies. How can you help us evidence those needs?

What type of conversations should we be having?

How do we avoid "silos"?



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Further Questions

What criteria we might employ to prioritise infrastructure investment?

How do we encourage people to adopt and adapt to use the digital infrastructure provided?

How do we raise awareness to the power of digital to change ways of working?

How do we raise awareness more generally?

How do we overcome the limitations of our resources to develop digital?

What "power" do we have – financial, networks, communities, planning conditions?

