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Windsor welcomes Telstra's Broadband upgrade for Tamworth and Armidale – Looks forward to more

Independent Member for New England has welcomed the announcement by Telstra Country Wide that it will upgrade its network in Tamworth and Armidale which will enable residents and businesses to access faster ADSL speeds for their internet.

“Slow internet access speeds for country communities have long been an issue however I welcome Telstra Country Wide's announcement that it has made an investment in upgrading their internet access speed in Armidale and Tamworth by making the main exchanges ADSL 2+ enabled.

The upgrade will provide internet access at speeds of up to 20Mbps to those users on the main exchanges complementing the recent upgrade of a number of other exchanges to ADSL and therefore speeds of 8Mbps.

I understand that there will be upgrades of other exchanges to ADSL 2+ in the not too distant future subject to commercial processes and I look forward to this happening.

I will certainly be encouraging Telstra to continue to upgrade their service to the communities across the New England electorate at as fast a pace as possible.

Telecommunication services to our communities are essential for us to compete and to keep up with the rest of the world,” Mr Windsor said.

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