

Heald Green and Long Lane Ratepayers' Association

Watching over the interests of Heald Green ward since 1927



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Installation of Broadband in Heald Green

We've received a number of queries regarding the installation of broadband in Heald Green.

One of the providers has supplied literature to homes suggesting that they have “engaged with key community stakeholders.” We want to make clear that this organisation has certainly not reached out to us as councillors. We were first alerted when we received the literature at the same time as everyone else.

A particular concern for some residents is the installation and location of this equipment, they have been asking if the council should have notified residents. With these developments the service provider sends a notification to the Local Planning Authority to advise that it intends to use its permitted development rights, which the council is given 28 days to consider. These notifications are given a planning reference number and are available to view on the Council's website.

Stockport Council can raise an objection if necessary, for example, on the grounds of highway safety, but it is not able to refuse permission. This notification process is not an application for planning permission, and therefore the Planning Department would not issue a public consultation.

If you have concerns about works being carried out you can report them to the council here:

[Report a pothole, damaged road or pavement - Stockport Council](#)

In the event of an emergency on-site, please call 0161 474 5555.