



Council Meeting 19 October 2023
13.C Freedom Fibre Cabinets
Appendix CO89



Dear Clerk,

RE: Active Cabinet installation

As part of the UK government's Project Gigabit programme, Freedom Fibre is rolling out its full-fibre, gigabit-capable broadband network to homes and businesses across North Shropshire. This multi-million pound rollout is set to usher in a new wave of opportunity and economic growth for North Shropshire.

In order to build the network, a number of Active Cabinets will need to be installed. Active Cabinets are the small green cabinets you sometimes find tucked away on roads; they are a common and essential piece of infrastructure in the telecoms industry and are integral to our full-fibre rollout.

A new Active Cabinet is required in Market Drayton and we have identified the junction of Sherwood Cres & Shrewsbury Rd for its location. We anticipate that the first of our Active Cabinets across North Shropshire will start to be installed from the start of next year. However, we are not yet able to provide parishes with an exact date just yet.

Whilst the installation of such infrastructure is classed as permitted development (i.e. not requiring planning permission), we are keen to ensure that Parish/Town Councils are sighted on our proposals and have the opportunity to raise any questions or concerns with us.

We have attached an overview document of the proposed cabinet and location with this email. We understand all locations to be on adopted land (i.e. land owned by the local authority and not in private ownership). Please note that the cabinet specifications may alter slightly though not dramatically.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us via Shropshire-Councillors@freedomfibre.com.

Kind regards,
The Freedom Fibre Team

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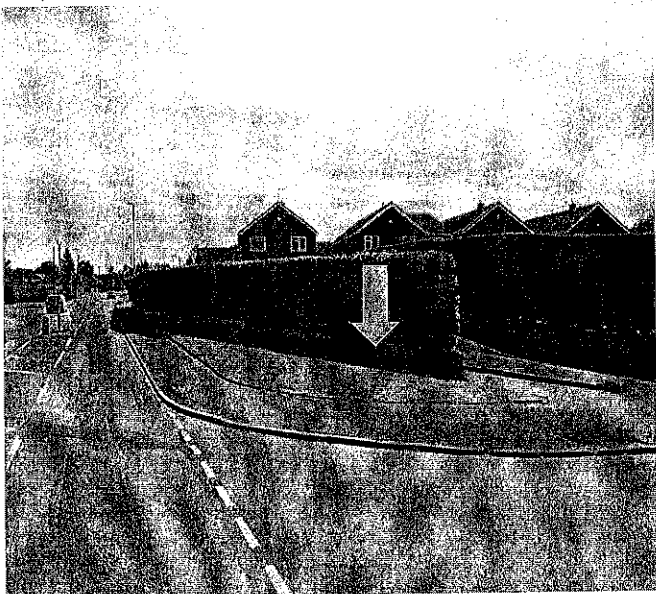


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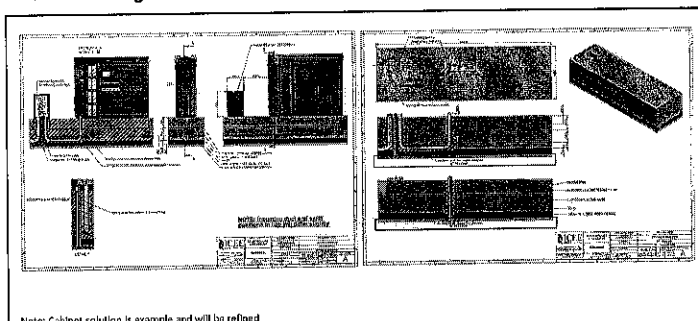


Cabinet Proposal – AC18 V1SS – Market Drayton

Proposed Location



Cabinet Design Solution



Nearest Address: Grass Jcn Sherwood Cres & Shrewsbury Rd,
TF9 1NJ

Grid Reference: 52.899613, -2.506881

Plinth Surface: Soft/Footway

Chamber Surface: Soft/Footway

Build Area: Market Drayton Town Council