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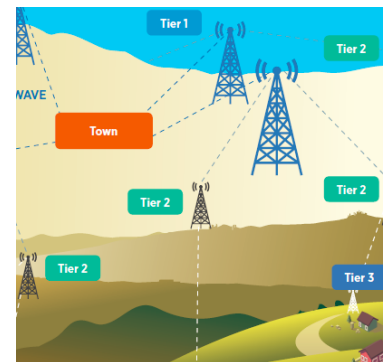
ANNOUNCEMENT

Digital Connectivity Project

Balonne Shire Council is pleased to launch Stage 1 of the Digital Connectivity Project proudly funded by the Queensland Government's Building our Regions program.

Council's Delivery Partner

Council has accepted the tender of **Field Solutions Group (FSG)** as the appointed Telco to provide Stage 1 **infrastructure to deliver data-based high-speed internet connectivity** in the Balonne Shire.



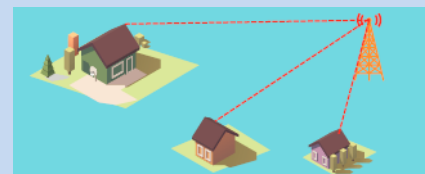
End-User Retail Plans

- End-users choose their own retail plan provider(s).

Tower Locations and Impact

- More information on tower locations and coverage will be available as the project progresses.

Project construction phase is 12 months.



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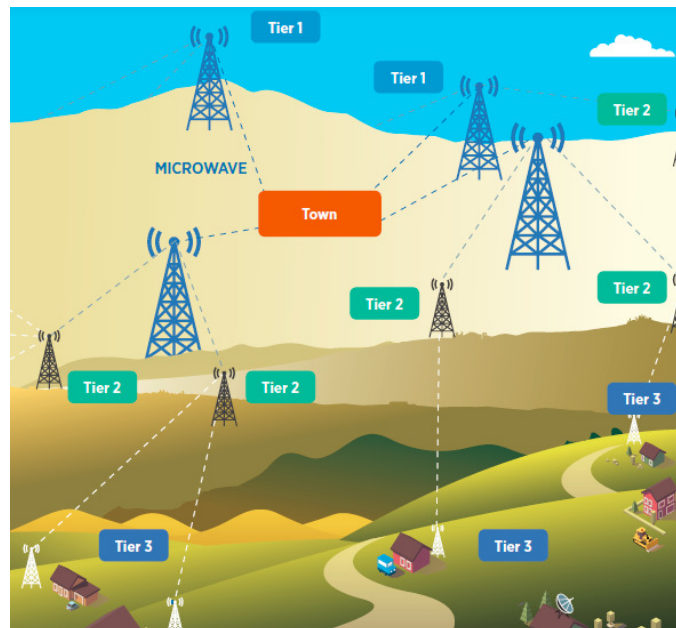
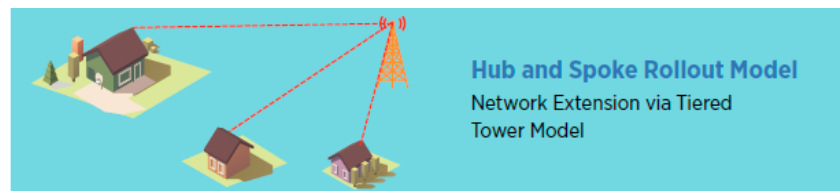
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The Field Solutions Group Model



Re-use of Strategic Commercial Assets

Local Buildings, Silos, Water Tanks



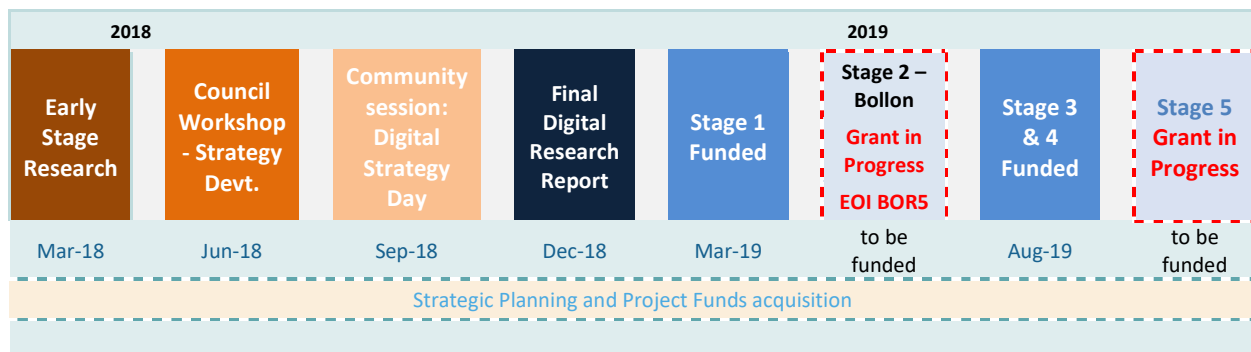
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A Strategic Approach | Digital Connectivity Plan

GOAL : Effective town planning and infrastructure design with a focus on visionary planning to suit changing needs into the future.

PROGRAM AREA: Digital connectivity for business and industry growth and social connectedness

Digital Strategy Planning Timeline



Stages 1 – 4 Shire Backbone Summary

Stages 1 – 4	Coverage %	Note
Stage 1 – 9045km ²	29% coverage	Funded by BOR4. Expected to commence November 2019.
Stage 2 – 3751 km ²	12% coverage	Bollon – subject to funding. <i>In progress - grant through to business case with BOR5.</i>
Stage 3 – 1551 km ²	4.8% coverage	Funded by Murray Darling Basin Economic Development Program Grant (MDBEDP). Expected to commence early 2020.
Stage 4 – 1788km ²	5.7% coverage	Funded by Murray Darling Basin Economic Development Program Grant (MDBEDP). Expected to commence early 2020.
TOTAL Stages 1 – 4	51.8% coverage	Expected Project Value \$4.7M

Note: this summary is based on estimates from the detailed project planning phase and is subject to the final network design.

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Stages 5 – Cross Border 2020-2021 Proposal

Stages 5 (a-c)	Cross-Border
Stage 5	Mungindi – Moree <i>In progress - grant through to EOI with NSW Cross-Border Commissioner Fund with Moree Plains Shire Council.</i>

Note: Subject to Funding and Approvals and further negotiation(s) and planning

Stages 6 – 7 Balonne Sheep Triangle Summary

Stages 6-7	Example only
Stage 6	Honeymah
Stage 7	Runny Mede

Note: Subject to Funding and Approvals and further geographic assessments

Related Plans and Strategies

1. Queensland Plan
2. Digital 1st 2017- 2021 Qld Government Strategy
3. Balonne Shire Council Corporate Plan 2018 - 2023
4. Qld's Agriculture Strategy :: 2020 vision
5. Balonne Shire Council Economic Development Plan 2018 – 2022
6. Balonne Shire Local Disaster Management Plan
7. Balonne Shire Recreational Vehicle Strategy 2018
8. Balonne Shire Tourism Strategy
9. Balonne Shire Council Library Services Strategic Plan 2018 – 2020
10. ICT (Information and Communication Technologies) Plan 2017 – 2022
11. Murray Darling Basin Plan
12. DNRME Water Resource Plans
13. Bettering Balonne Project Group Strategic Plan (St George and District Chamber of Commerce)
14. NSW 2021 (A Plan to Make NSW Number One)
15. New England NW Regional Plan 2036
16. Australian Infrastructure Plan 2016
17. Australian Farmers 2030 Road Map
18. Digital Transformation Strategy, Vision 2025
19. Smart Cities Plan 2106

