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## We need you to please sign up to B4RN broadband

### Who benefits?

All households and businesses in the parish can connect to hyperfast broadband for a small charge. Crosthwaite C.E. Primary School, St Mary's Church, and the Village Hall will be connected free of charge and have a free service in perpetuity.

### Why do I need to sign up?

When you sign up for B4RN broadband, the government gives money to B4RN to help pay for the ducting through the parish. Already the response has been great but we do need a few more to get the project moving.

### Can my business sign up?

It is even better if your business signs up.

### Why not wait?

The school has secured significant funds to finance this initiative, but these must be spent by March 2021.

### What if I am in a contract with BT/Sky?

That is not a problem. Sign up for B4RN anyway, and the B4RN line can be activated when your old contract runs out.

### Where does the network go?

The network will run from Levens, via Gilpin Bridge, The Howe and The Row to Crosthwaite through underground ducts, leaving connections for all local properties along the route. Landowners across the community are offering their support by running the ducting across their fields.

### What does it cost?

B4RN is a not-for-profit organisation. Small businesses and households pay just £30/month + £150 connection fee for **1000 Mbps** up- and down-load speeds. Businesses that successfully apply for voucher funding will have the connection fee waived.

[b4rn.org.uk/b4rn-service/charges](http://b4rn.org.uk/b4rn-service/charges)

B4RN operates on a 12-month contract for the first year, monthly thereafter with no early exit fees. This combination of price and service cannot be matched by national "for profit" suppliers. To save more money, you can choose to discontinue your landline, and transfer your existing number to run over broadband. We can help you with this.

### How to sign up?

Go to [b4rn.org.uk/getb4rn](http://b4rn.org.uk/getb4rn) and enter your postcode. If you are able to receive service in the first phase it will let you proceed to complete a form that registers your interest in the B4RN service and allows them to request a government voucher on your behalf.

You are NOT signing a contract at this stage; you are showing an intention to take a connection from B4RN in the future and registering your support for the project. You can change your mind with no penalty at any time after you complete the form. Your contract with B4RN only begins on the day your service becomes live.

# B4RN for CROSTHWAITE

**Please sign up today and support this community effort!**

## **Volunteers:**

A group of dedicated volunteers from across the Lyth Valley is realising this project together with the School, Church, Village Hall, and B4RN. If you have any queries, then you can contact any of the following (if they don't know the answer, they will find it for you):

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John Holmes	015395 68599	
Matthew Jessop	07469 949970	mjessop@crosthwaiteprimary.net
Henk Muller	015395 68050	henk.muller@gmail.com
Adam Walker		lyth.consulting.ltd@gmail.com
Stewart Wren	087388116452	swren@crosthwaiteprimary.net

Any difficulty registering your interest, feel free to contact them too. If you want to volunteer your services, please contact Stewart Wren on the email shown above.

## **Other ways to support**

If you wish you can choose to invest financially in B4RN by buying shares in B4RN. The shares will pay a yearly 5% dividend, and if you invest enough then B4RN will waive your connection fee. Please visit the B4RN website on [b4rn.org.uk](http://b4rn.org.uk) for details. If you invest, please ask B4RN to hold your investment against the **Crosthwaite and Lyth project**.



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