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**SUPERFAST
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See what superfast or ultrafast broadband could do for your business

We have a commitment to support Manchester businesses, helping you to grow, and as such we want to encourage you to become super-connected.

You might have heard that, for a limited period only, we are helping to fund the physical cost of getting access to superfast or ultrafast broadband.

Up to £3,000 help with connection costs for a limited period. It's a grant, not a loan, so you don't need to pay us back.

In most cases, the voucher we are offering (which will be accepted by most internet service providers, including the best-known household names) will cover the cost of getting connected, leaving you to just pay the VAT and monthly subscription cost.

Whether you're a sole trader, self-employed homeworker or employ fewer than 250 people, as long as your turnover is less than approximately £43million each year and you don't already have a superfast connection, you could be eligible for this grant*.

The initial pilot scheme runs from 1 August to 30 September 2013. To be one of the few hundred businesses put onto superfast/ultrafast broadband in this first phase apply below.

[Apply now](#)

Don't delay – this is available on a first come, first served basis

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A superfast broadband connection means:



More people can share your connection at one time and still enjoy high speeds.



Services such as 'Voice over IP' become possible for more users, replacing conventional telephones.



Services such as videoconferencing, which require faster speeds, work better.



'Cloud'-based services, where you can store information 'virtually', work faster and with shorter delays.

* Eligibility will be decided on a number of criteria, including size and type of business.