

1st Annual NZ Digital Cities and Regional Networks Programme

“Regional Fibre Networks - Opening up the Last mile in New Zealand”

Date: **Wednesday Nov 23 2005**
Location: **Michael Fowler Convention Centre Wellington**
Time: **9:00am - 5:00pm**

Free CafeNET WiFi available all day

MORNING SESSION

- 9:00** **Registration / Coffee**
Welcome
- 9:30** **Mayors Welcome**
Kerry Prendergast, Mayor, Wellington City
- 9:40** **Introduction**
Fran Wilde, Conference Chairperson
- 10:00** **Ministerial Address:**
Honorable David Cunliffe, Minister for IT and Communications
- 10:30** **Morning Tea**
- 11:00** **Digital Cities Keynote Presentation**
Lars Hedberg, Secretary General
Swedish Urban Network Association
- 11:45** **Regional Broadband Business Case (Part 1)**
“Local Heroes“ - Broadband Champions
Presentations from Community Leaders who have made a difference
- Frana Cardno, Mayor of Southland District
 - Charles Newton, The Loop - Nelson
 - Richard Naylor, Citylink - Wellington
- 12:30** **Lunch**

AFTERNOON SESSION

1:15 Regional Broadband Business Case (Part1 continued)

Garry Moore, Mayor of Christchurch City
Riaka Hiakita, Tuhoë Rural Wireless Broadband Case Study

1:45 Regional Broadband Business Case (Part 2) “Connecting the Dots” – Physical Infrastructure Deployment and Costs

Presentations:

- Russell Hailes, Citylink - Urban Fibre Network Case Study
- Keith Davidson, InternetNZ - Neutral Peering Exchanges
- Tony Van Horik, AAS - Broadband Technologies Overview Fibre vs Wireless, Network Infrastructure ROI decision matrix

2:30 Afternoon tea

3:00 Regional Broadband Business Case (Part 3) Governance and Business Models – Options and Issues

presentations:

- Jenny Brash, Mayor of Porirua City
Smartlinx 3 - Public / Private Sector Partnership model
- Alan Dempster, Chairman, Citylink - Wellington
Private sector model
- Chris O’Connell, Nelson Marlborough InfoRegion Initiative
Stakeholder and Demand Aggregation Case study.

3:45 Broadband Challenge Roadmap – Next Steps

Pete Macaulay, Digital Strategy Project Manager, Ministry of Economic
Development Broadband Challenge and Community Partnership Fund
Guidelines.

4:15 Panel Discussion / Q & A

Moderator: Brendon Burns

5:00 Conference Ends

Simon Riley, CEO, Next Generation Internet Society

5:00-6:00pm Positively Wellington Business - PWB

Drinks / Networking