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connection1: Fibre to the home is much too ambitious to be realistic in the near term.

Fibre to the node achieves nothing without other initiatives.

Fibre to the Business where business includes Farms and Rural Properties would be much more realistic, and put the drivers where they are needed.

connection2: Fibre to the Business.

Real DSL, not the anaemic trash served up by telecom, would be perfectly adequate for the bulk of residences. And is achievable simply within a 24 month time frame. (minor changes to equipment, configs and operator motivation).

connection3: They don't.

Fibre to the Business, and serious work on the ADSL loops to get the speed up to VDSL 50Mbps+ is much more achievable and realistic.

connection4: A very simply challenge would be to move the UBS/Naked DSL Committed information rate from the laughable 30kbps to a very achivable 1Mbps. That would enable a bunch of services NOW, not in some distant time in the future.

confidence1: Motherhood and Apple Pie. Nothing new in here.

collaboration1: OK, but the main thing is fibre to the business. See above.

collaboration2: BUSINESS.

If the fibre and DSL pipes are opened effectively, then local content and services will flourish. But the current DSL constraints are completely artificial.

Further business and fibre has an opportunity to deliver real benefits to rural business's trying to deliver or buy services on-line.

collaboration3: I've built a 3rd fibre network up and down the north island. I'd like to add one more link to ensure real competition in all areas of the market.

collaboration4: Minor changes to equipment, configs and operator motivation of the current DSL operator, to get the naked DSL speed up to 1Mbps CIR. 30kbps for a CIR on naked DSL is embarrassing, and an appalling indictment of both operator and regulator.