



# Communication technology

In 2001, the Cumbria ICT Broadband Initiative set out to revolutionise the technological infrastructure base of Cumbria. As a result, Project Access was created and with £20 million funding from the Northwest Regional Development Agency has delivered a new broadband network for businesses, driving the programme of upgrading telephone exchanges to supply an ADSL broadband service over telephone lines. This ADSL service is being used by many residents and businesses across the area.

Cumbria now boasts one of the best telecommunication networks in the world ensuring high speed, cost effective telecommunications services for the delivery of the highest quality transmission of data, voice and video to and from anywhere in the world.

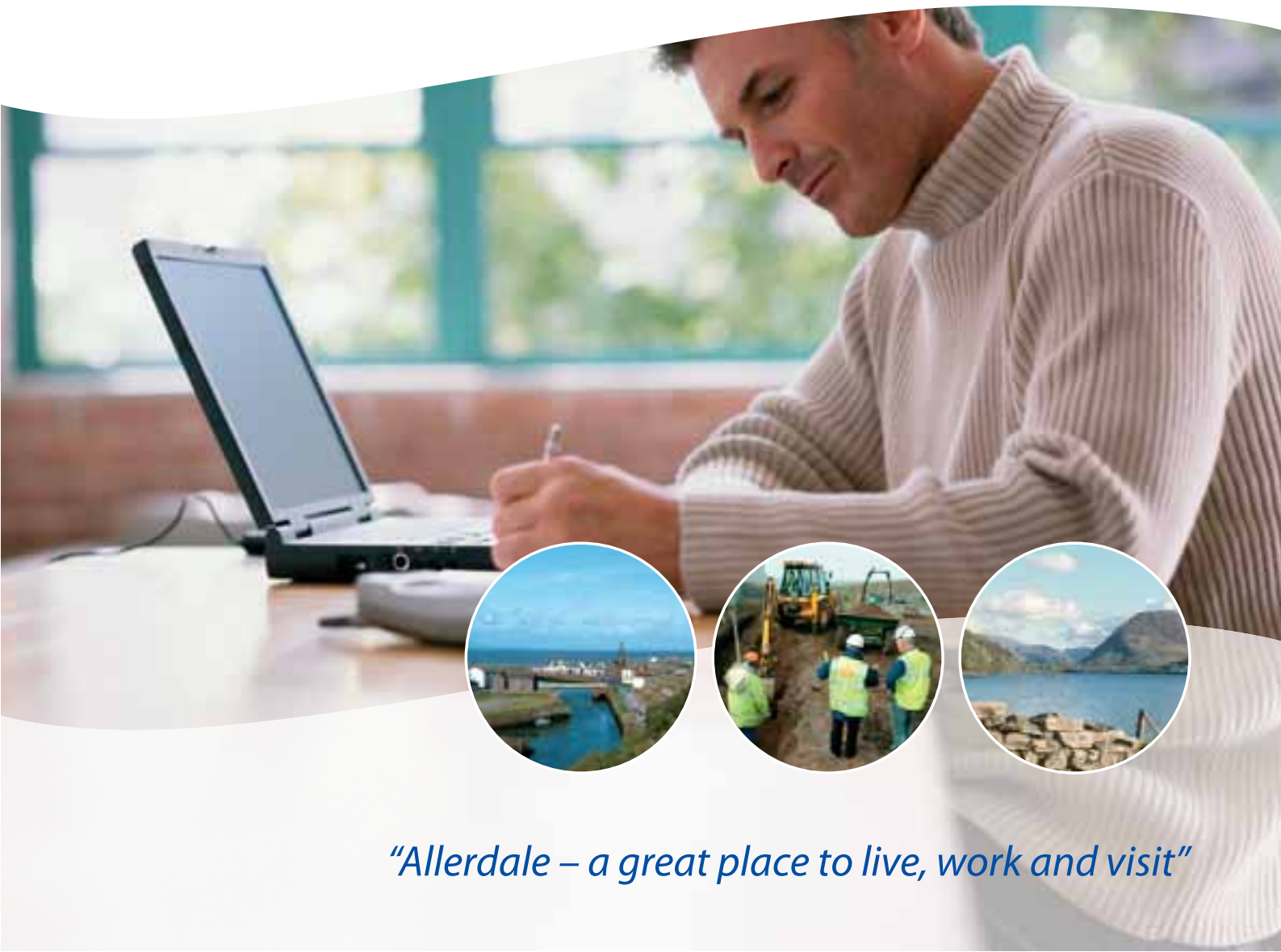
Today, broadband coverage is available to at least 95% of the businesses and residents of Allerdale.

This network offers a real competitive advantage to Cumbrian businesses.

## Useful websites

### Project Access

[www.projectaccess.co.uk](http://www.projectaccess.co.uk)



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