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JT statement on States of Jersey telecoms strategy

Graeme Millar, JT CEO, commented:

"JT welcomes the new Telecoms Strategy as it gives a clear way forward for what we believe is a critical industry for the Island, both from social and economic points of view.

The policy acknowledges the considerable benefit to the Island of having a full-fibre network connecting all broadband customers – that network will be finished in just a couple of months, putting Jersey in the number one spot across the world in terms of the percentage of its residents directly connected to super-fast broadband.

With a completed full-fibre broadband network, JT will be steadily increasing the speeds available for its customers in 2018 – both upload and download – to make sure that Jersey residents and businesses can keep pace with the global digital revolution.

The policy sets out the need for an "advanced digital infrastructure" to enable the Island to drive forward both socially and economically; JT looks forward to continuing its key role in providing that infrastructure, and making sure it is resilient, as we have done for decades through the development of the local financial services industry, which relies on its global links.

The strategy fits perfectly with our own ethos of being, 'always on, always there, always enabling' and will help us to push forward with our drive to make the Channel Islands one of the most digitally-connected places in the world."

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