

## Fact sheet

# Physical Infrastructure Access (PIA)

Physical Infrastructure Access (PIA) enables Communications Providers (CPs) to share Openreach's existing access network infrastructure. CPs could utilise this infrastructure to deploy their own fibre networks. PIA consists primarily of duct and pole sharing.

## **Features**

## Single step survey, prove and build process

CPs may reserve their chosen fibre route for up to six months and begin building their network as soon as they're able within this timeframe.

## Digital map tool

Detailing where our ducts, poles and cable chambers are located, accessed via the Openreach Portal, available to PIA established CPs.

### Ownership of civils work

CPs are able to carry out civils work to expedite their network deployment e.g. clearing or repairing a blocked duck or breaking through a joint box. CPs should first complete our Quality of Workmanship Accreditation and follow our Engineering Principles when carrying out this work.

## A choice of Distribution Point (DP) locations

CPs may locate their network DPs within our existing joint boxes and manholes, clearly labelling the equipment as property of the individual CP.

## **Benefits**

#### National availability

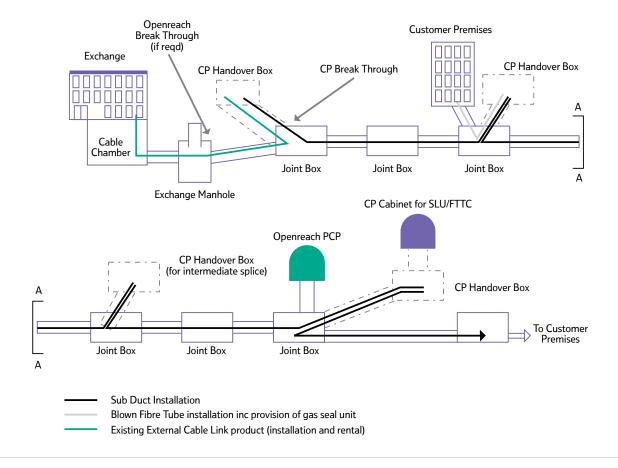
Our infrastructure covers the length and breadth of the country enabling CPs to choose the geographies that best suit their network roll out plans.

#### Save time

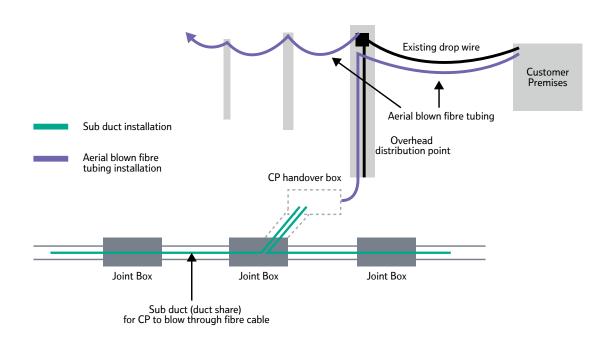
As our infrastructure already exists, CPs will be able to build and expand their fibre network in far quicker timescales than if building from scratch.

## How it works

## **Ducts**



### **Poles**



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