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Topic: Construction on the Devonport and Burnie roll-outs

Senator Urquhart, Anne asked:

So, why is your website right now not showing anything happening in Devonport at all?

Mr Adcock: I can take that on notice and I will come back.

Senator URQUHART: I am sure you could get someone to have a look at the website.

Mr Adcock: Yes. They are having a look now.

Mr Morrow: It would be here. If construction has started it would be on the website.

Mr Adcock: It is field preparation. They are actually in the network.

Senator URQUHART: There is absolutely nothing showing. There is a red pin on the thing that says 'Drag me'.

Mr Morrow: There is other information. There are a lot of things on the website to go in to find out if you are in the building preparation, in the construction phase or if you are completed and ready for service. Before the committee is over we will give you the very specific information that would be indicating exactly the state of that area.

Senator URQUHART: That would be useful, because I am sure that the people of Devonport were very happy when they read that the advice from the government was that it was going to be rolled out in June or start in June but that does not appear to be the case at all.

Answer:

With the regular monthly update in June, activity on 'fibre to the basement, fibre to the node and fibre to the premises (FTTX) sites was added to the map. This included Devonport, in the Build Preparation phase. Burnie has not yet reached the Build Preparation phase, so no activity is shown on the map. At present, this is planned to start in October 2016.