

## Kizoom in the news

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### Wireless broadband scheme rolls out access

A public service which is designed to bolster the access of broadband to residents in Islington has proved a success, according to organisers of the scheme.

Cityspace, a firm which specialises in making cities more accessible, says that its work alongside Islington Borough Council to give free access to fast broadband internet within the catchment area has proved a hit.

Sophia Henri, a PR representative speaking on behalf of Cityspace, said it meant that those people who typically might not be able to afford access were not deprived.

"We are Islington Borough Council's technology partners and we set up the network for them, which has now expanded three or four times from its original concept. It now supports a wireless network in housing estates.

"It is free access to fast broadband internet access and there is also a landing page, so that if people want to go into council services, or any of the e-gov services, they can go through the landing page first. If they want just to connect to the internet, they can do that too."

"This is a public service for the community and it means that all people, including the disenfranchised, have access equally," she added.

Islington Borough Council's wireless internet 'hotzone' runs across Upper Street and Islington High Street, providing free access to local information and services.

