



**Jason Wood MP**  
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### LABOR SLOWS NBN ROLLOUT IN LA TROBE

Labor's NBN policy will leave residents in La Trobe waiting longer and paying more for broadband, Jason Wood MP said today.

"Under Labor's NBN you'll wait longer and pay more," Mr. Wood said.

"Labor's NBN policy is to slow down the rollout in Kalorama, Montrose, Mount Dandenong, Mount Evelyn, Olinda, Belgrave, Belgrave Heights, Belgrave South, Ferny Creek, Kallista, Sassafras, Selby, Sherbrooke, Tecoma, and Upwey because they will dig up everyone's front garden and driveway - despite technologies being available that avoid this.

"Labor's NBN policy means these locations could be waiting until 2022 to connect to the NBN.

"Under a Coalition Government they will have the NBN over the next two years," Mr. Wood said.

"Monthly internet bills are also set to rise under Labor, because their policy costs \$8 billion more than the Coalition's."

Under Labor's last mismanaged rollout, just 670 premises in La Trobe were able to connect to the **nbn**.

Under the Turnbull Coalition Government, this has increased substantially to 4,154 of premises able to connect in La Trobe.

Minister for Communications Mitch Fifield said Labor's already tried and failed to deliver the NBN.

"Under the Coalition, the NBN is hooking up more than 60,000 homes a month, compared to just 51,000 connections in six years under Labor.

Labor's last gold plated approach would have added up to \$43 a month to internet bills," Minister Fifield said.

Under the Turnbull Coalition Team, the nbn is rolling out better broadband across Australia in the fastest and most affordable way.

Under the Coalition, the **nbn** has met every roll out target, it is ahead of schedule and on-budget.

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