New member of the Investor Relations team

On 23 May, Keah Hayes (Keah.Hayes@bt.com) joined the BT Investor Relations team as Personal Assistant. Keah joins BT from Wavemaker.

Upcoming events

- On 14 July, BT will hold its 2022 Annual General Meeting
- On 28 July, BT will publish its Q1 FY23 trading update

BT Group – BT Board and Executive Committee changes

- On 12 May, BT announced that non-executive director Leena Nair has decided to step down from the Board at the conclusion of the 2022 Annual General Meeting. BT also announced that non-executive director Sara Weller will become chair of the Digital Impact & Sustainability Committee when Leena steps down

BT Group – Environmental, Social and Governance

- On 5 April, Director of Policy and Public Affairs Alex Towers published a blog about the role telcos have to play in bridging the digital divide
On 12 April, The Financial Times published a report on European Climate Leaders for 2022, giving BT a CDP A rating.

On 1 June, BT published its 2022 Annual Report.

On 1 June, BT published its 2022 Diversity and Inclusion Report.

On 1 June, BT published its 2022 Manifesto Report and ESG Addendum.

On 27 June, BT partnered with Home-Start to offer free high-speed connectivity for the UK’s most financially vulnerable families.

**BT Group – Pay negotiations with the CWU**

On 7 April, BT announced plans to award all BT, Openreach and EE frontline workers a £1,500 consolidated pay increase, equivalent to a rise of between 3% and 8% for frontline workers, depending on their current pay.

On 25 May, The CWU announced its industrial action ballot timetable, with the ballot commencing on 15 June.

On 30 June, BT responded to the CWU ballot results on industrial action.

**BT Group – Branding update**

On 27 April, Consumer CEO Marc Allera announced the next chapter in Consumer’s transformation journey, making EE the flagship brand in the consumer market. The new brand will build on the success of EE to date and focus on multiple services, converged offerings and services beyond connectivity.

On 27 April, Enterprise CEO Rob Shuter published an article on BT becoming the dedicated brand for business and public sector customers across the UK and globally, with the new strapline ‘BT Means Business’.

On 20 May, Enterprise CEO Rob Shuter published a blog on BT Means Business, following the launch of BT’s new enterprise advertising campaign.

**BT Group – BT makes statement on preliminary judgement for Court of Appeal case**

On 6 May, following the Court of Appeal’s ruling on a procedural matter of certification, BT announced that it will continue to vigorously defend itself against the speculative claim of overcharging customers. Ofcom assessed the subject of the claim over four years ago with no finding of excessive pricing or breach of competition law more generally.

**BT Group – BT receives notification of the Government’s review of Altice’s stake**

On 26 May, BT received notification from the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy that he has considered the increase by Altice UK of its shareholding in BT Group from 12.1% to 18% and is exercising his call-in power under section 1 of the National Security and Investment Act 2021. BT Group is co-operating with this review.

**Regulation – Ofcom publishes its quarterly telecoms and pay TV complaints**

On 27 April, Ofcom published its Q4 2021 telecoms and pay-TV complaints data:

- The BT brand was below the industry average for number of broadband and landline complaints and above average for pay-TV.
- The EE brand was below average for the number of broadband, landline and mobile complaints.

**Regulation – Ofcom publishes update on end of contract notifications**

On 6 May, Ofcom published a report on end of contract notifications (ECN), providing evidence that ECNs increased re-contracting among broadband customers after the ECNs came into effect in February 2020.

**Regulation – Ofcom publishes report on telecoms service standards**

On 18 May, Ofcom published a report on customer service levels for mobile, home broadband and landline in 2021:

- The BT brand achieved the top rank for overall satisfaction with broadband service, with the EE brand achieving second place.
- The EE brand also achieved above average overall satisfaction scores for mobile.
Consumer/Enterprise – Networks

- On 6 April, BT’s EE won all five overall experience awards in Opensignal’s UK Mobile Experience Report for the quarter ended February 2022.
- On 20 April, BT’s EE collaborates with Qualcomm to achieve a European first in 5G speeds.
- On 10 May, BT’s EE becomes first network to take 5G to 50% of UK population.
- On 11 May, BT’s EE launches nationwide superfast repair service.
- On 23 May, BT showcases broadcast innovation leadership with 5G contribution broadcast.
- On 24 May, BT announces the launch of Hybrid Speed Boost, the combination of a copper broadband line and 4G network to boost broadband speeds.

Consumer – BT and Warner Bros. Discovery agree to form new sports joint venture

- On 12 May, BT announced it has agreed a set of definitive agreements with Warner Bros. Discovery, Inc. on a deal to bring together BT Sport and Eurosport UK in a 50/50 joint venture. BT aims for the joint venture to be operational by the end of 2022, subject to the customary closing conditions including approvals by the relevant regulatory bodies.

Consumer – Consumer CEO Marc Allera publishes blog on digital equity

- On 19 May, Consumer CEO Marc Allera published a blog on net neutrality and how the telco industry must have the courage to evolve for the better, including the need to have real debates about how we can drive network investment and innovation for UK customers, to support government in delivering key policy goals.

Enterprise – BT launched new Charter to UK enterprises and public sector

- On 18 May, BT unveiled a new Charter for its 1.2m UK business and public sector customers. The Charter provides Enterprise customers with a springboard for growth by fuelling innovation through investment in BT’s ‘Division X’ unit.

Enterprise – BT enters partnership with Ericsson to provide commercial 5G networks

- On 31 May, BT announced a multi-million-pound new partnership with Ericsson to provide commercial 5G Private Networks for the UK market, the first agreement of its kind in the country. The deal combines BT’s expertise in building fixed and mobile networks with Ericsson’s leading 5G network technology and enterprise solutions.

Enterprise – BT announces new partnership network for small firms

- On 1 June, BT announced a new partnership network for the UK’s smallest firms, with the Federation of Small Businesses the first to sign up as launch partner. The new partnership network, designed for micro-business with 0-5 employees, will deliver a host of extra benefits to customers across broadband, mobile, connected devices and digital marketing.

Global – BT partners with QiO to help customers deliver on sustainability commitments

- On 18 May, BT announced a new AI-powered solution to help customers achieve their sustainability targets by optimising energy use across their operations. Powered by AI technology from QiO Technologies, it combines the latest in machine learning with BT Edge Compute devices.

Global – BT announces strategic alliance with MTN Business

- On 26 May, BT and MTN Business announced a strategic alliance which will offer world class security and communication services to business customers across Africa.

Global – BT launches next generation multicloud connectivity solution

- On 29 June, BT announced the launch of a next-generation cloud connectivity solution, Connected Cloud Edge, which combines BT’s networking and cyber security expertise with infrastructure from Equinix to accelerate customers’ digital transformation.
Openreach – Openreach publishes additional 46 exchange locations for copper stop sell
• On 13 April, Openreach informed its CPs1 of the 12-month notification period for copper stop sell to be activated in 46 additional exchange locations bringing the total to 594 locations

Openreach – Openreach’s network reaches 7 million homes
• On 14 April, Openreach announced it has built fibre to more than seven million homes and businesses, including more than two million in the hardest to reach ‘final third’ of the country. It also published plans to deliver fibre to 36 new locations, covering approximately 500k homes

Openreach – Openreach signs MoU on a framework with Sky on FTTP2 co-provisioning
• On 12 May, following a successful trial, Openreach announced it signed an MoU on a framework with Sky on FTTP co-provisioning with Sky engineers completing the majority of their FTTP in-premises provisioning activities on Openreach’s FTTP network

Openreach – Openreach announces 2m customers are on its FTTP network
• On 9 June, Openreach announced its FTTP network has two million connections

Digital – BT signs five-year agreement with AWS3 to accelerate its digital transformation
• On 4 May, BT announced an agreement with AWS to transform BT’s applications to be cloud-first, modular and reusable across its business. The agreement is one element of BT’s broader modernisation programme that aims to deliver £2.5bn in gross annualised savings by end FY25

Digital – BT aims for £25m in savings through AI-led operations with ServiceNow
• On 11 May, BT announced plans to consolidate its legacy service management platforms into a single system, ServiceNow, as part of a large group-wide transformation programme. BT forecasts savings of £25m by 2027 as ServiceNow aims to replace 56 legacy applications and 76 different ways of implementing service processes

Digital – BT partners with Dynatrace and targets self-healing systems by 2025
• On 22 June, BT announced plans to consolidate all of BT Group’s application monitoring platforms on to a single platform. Dynatrace will simplify and support the automation of issue detection and lead to estimated cost savings of £28m by 2027

Networks – BT & Toshiba launch 1st commercial trial of quantum secured comms services
• On 27 April, BT and Toshiba launched the trial of a world first commercial quantum secured metro network with EY the first commercial customer. The infrastructure will be able to connect numerous customers across London, helping secure the transmission of valuable data between multiple physical locations over standard fibre optic links using quantum key distribution

Networks – BT trials new quantum radio to boost next-generation 5G and IoT networks
• On 18 May, BT announced it is pioneering a trial of a new hyper-sensitive quantum radio receiver to boost next generation 5G and IoT networks. The atomic receiver has the potential to reduce mobile network energy consumption, enable IoT cost efficiencies and help to close the rural connectivity divide

Networks – Networks hosts Business Briefing
• On 28 June, Networks hosted a business briefing at BT’s headquarters featuring Chief Technology Officer, Howard Watson, and members of his leadership team and focused on the following messages: BT benefits from:
  o Operating unparalleled fixed and mobile networks
  o Continued investment in a simpler converged service
  o Maintaining an industry leading, diverse pool of technology talent
  o Creating standout customer solutions built on leading network capabilities
  o Applying research, targeting sustainability and customer outcomes

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1 Communications Provider  
2 Fibre to the premises  
3 Amazon Web Services
Other news

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- On 6 May, BT launches its latest advertising campaign, Broadband Nightmares, to showcase the power of BT’s Halo 3+ Hybrid Broadband
- On 20 May, BT announces construction has started at its new office development in Dundee
- On 22 May, BT’s EE launches new Connected Club Cup with England Football
- On 25 May, BT publishes blog on BT’s Data Exchange: accelerating time to insight
- On 25 May, Openreach opens a new training school in Newport, Wales
- On 25 May, Openreach opens doors to Bolton training centre
- On 26 May, BT unveils Street Hub 2.0 units in Birmingham
- On 1 June, Head of Environmental Sustainability, Gabrielle Ginér, published a blog on World Environment Day
- On 1 June, BT’s EE announces the return of the Glastonbury App
- On 8 June, BT publishes results of study uncovering the lack of AI-awareness in UK students
- On 28 June, BT extends its commitment to the UK Armed Forces Covenant