



Hello, I'm Allison, Chief Executive of BT Group.

Today, we've announced that BT has stepped in to acquire TalkTalk and PlatformX Communications.

We did this deal to provide reassurance and to maintain service for 2.5 million residential, business and wholesale customers across the UK.

This includes vulnerable households and critical national infrastructure providers across health, emergency services, defence, education, transport, banking and government.

The most important thing I need to say today however is: TalkTalk customers, you will stay connected, and you don't need to do anything differently.

You remain a TalkTalk customer. Your price and contract are unaffected, and you can continue to use all your services as usual.

Here at BT, our immediate priority is to now provide the stability and certainty that everyone needs: keeping services running, protecting customers and supporting the TalkTalk team through the period ahead.

BT is the digital backbone of the country, with a presence in every postcode. We've been connecting the nation for generations and we always step up at the moments that matter.

For now though, our focus is simple: to make sure you stay connected and supported.

Thank you.