IPv6 in an office

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IPv6

- Kind of easy to setup on hosted servers
  - Test, AAAA record and add to monitoring
- ISPs can do it
- Home connections do now
- Been around for a while
- Middle of the ground companies will struggle

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New broadband internet 01484 847684

This is the setup/equipment for your new broadband internet connection.

Qty	Description	Unit	Cost
	ADSL broadband Migration from another ISP MIGRATE 01484 847684		
	IP addresses for 18 machines included		
	IP6 address allocation included		
	Service invoiced for payment on 1st of each month		

In the olden days

- Order ADSL from Zen, BT, AAISP ….
- Plug the router in
- It works
- Always on internet
- Google works
- Background technology – PPP, v4, DHCP, NAT

Roll on a few years

- Still an office
- A few more staff (maybe 10 people now)
- Might have started using google docs, slack, voip …..
- No internet = out of business

Summon the IT people

- Problem: “facebook went down”
- Answer: “<techno mumbo jumbo, outage, BT’s fault, loss of sync> We could sell some internet failover”

- How much?
  A grand + a second internet connection at £30 a month
  cool

Noddy failover

- Sonicwall, Draytek
- 2 WAN
- Ping to detect outage
- 2 ISPs
- Nat
- This is everywhere.

So IPv4 nat failover is easy

- Office network stays the same
- Changing ISP doesn’t change the addressing of your internal machines

```
# ip route del default via
141.170.10.193 dev eth0.200
```

IPv6 changing ISP

- All your internal addresses change.
- So I swapped ISPs at work
- Our printers all stopped
- Because of internal rules about which IPv6 address could print.
- And the printers changed IP when we changed ISP.

Can’t you just forget IPv6?

- Well, maybe.
- Have an outage, turn off v6?
- Maybe option

Until you need IPv6

- I did this
- 2 ISPs into same router
- One ISP messed up IPv6
- IPv4 failed over
- Smart person said – lets just turn off router announcements and use v4
- NFS stopped working for all the office desktops

Just Connect 2 routers

- 2 routers, 2 ISPs, 1 switch
- All your PCs end up with IPv6 from both ISPs
- In theory, if PPP goes down, router stops router announcements (sky do this)
- IPv4 is going to go crazy with 2 DHCP servers, so prob best to drop IPv4.
- Not really good for any kind of server.
- I reckon doesn’t work for iPhone
- In theory, can set preferences on router

One router, 2 networks, 2 ISP

```
interface eth0.245
{
  AdvSendAdvert on;
MaxRtrAdvInterval 400;
AdvDefaultLifetime 9000;
MinRtrAdvInterval 200;
# ISP1
   prefix 2a00:1a80:5:1::/64
  {  AdvPreferredLifetime 600;
   };
#ISP2
  prefix 2001:8b0:175:1::/64
  {  AdvPreferredLifetime 0;
   };
};
```

2 connections from same ISP

- So multiple connections from the same ISP
- AAISP do this well
- Talk talk line + BT Line + 4G dongle
- Gets around BT failures, BT maintenance etc
- Still a point of failure in ISP

Could you NATv6?

- Well yes,
- But, then kind of defeats the advantages of V6

V6 With PI

- Get an AS Number, IPv6 PI space
- Costs £100 a year
- Setup – looks easy, probably harder
- 2 routers
- I don’t think sustainable for every business in the UK to do this.

And really

- By the time you’ve done BGP for v6 …
- The cost to join RIPE isn’t too far away
- 2000 euro + 1400 euro per year.

IPv6+

- To be clear, I’m very pro IPv6
- Has many benefits around IPv4 NAT port congestion
- Allows remote access to loads of internal stuff without a VPN overlayer (with some firewall)
- I know somebody with a remotely accessible Asterisk server on a Sky connection.