Xen Shell - Feature # 133: Use local apt-cacher for Debian/Ubuntu installs

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Subject:	Use local apt-cacher for Debian/Ubuntu installs		
Description:	Debian/Ubuntu installs currently use a well-known remote mirror, but there is no reason why they shouldn't use the local apt-cacher which aside from probably being faster would also avoid chargeable data transfer.		

History

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- Status changed from New to Resolved

Installer does actually use apt-cacher. In preseed file:

```
# Force use of our own apt-cache
d-i    mirror/country          string    manual
d-i    mirror/protocol         string    http
d-i    mirror/http/hostname        string    apt-cacher.lon.bitfolk.com
d-i    mirror/http/directory        string    /debian/ftp.uk.debian.org/debian
```

It's only the initial kernel and initramfs that are downloaded from an external mirror.

These could possibly be hosted locally also, but:

* This would be more complicated as apt-cacher only caches an apt repository and the installer files aren't in an apt repository.
* They're only a couple of megabytes in size anyway.

So I'm not convinced it's worth the hassle to do that.