

After reading the consultation document on community radio - i feel that ofcom has it just about right.

I do feel though that the following things should be looked at:

wide range of applicants: stations that offer more than one type of programming (set format - ie classic hits station) should be given priority - stations that cover one group of people in an area do not really reflect the whole community

frequency: fm should be the home of community radio - in south wales the top end of the band should be used (107-108) or the national station part of the band (99.8-101.9) possibly if many community stations come about - maybe using some of the BBCs unused space would be a great idea (in south wales there is a fair chunk of available space within the BBC band - more so in and around the South West Wales/Mid Wales area)

income: stations should be allowed to make as much money from the sale of air time to advertisers/sponsorship, this can be plowed back in to the station, go to provide training for presenters as well as being given back to the area in which the community station is located (which would be good for any community)

Other than the points above, i think ofcom have it right!

I do think that application forms (similar to rsl) should be made available on line after the consultation closes

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