

**LOCAL RADIO SERVICE UNDERGOING CHANGE OF CONTROL:
REVIEW OF EFFECTS OF CHANGE OF CONTROL**

(in accordance with sections 355 & 356 of the Communications Act 2003)

AL107-2a – 96 Trent FM (Nottingham & Mansfield)

EXISTING FORMAT

Description of Service:

A CONTEMPORARY AND CHART MUSIC AND INFORMATION STATION FOR UNDER 40s IN THE NOTTINGHAM AND MANSFIELD AREA

Detail:

Music programming will be current chart hits, new releases or hits up to ten years old. Up to 25% may be hits over 10 years old. Specialist music programmes for the target audience, which complement the main music mix, may be broadcast in non daytime for up to 30 hours a week, mostly in non daytime. The station will be music-led, but information and/or features of particular local relevance will be in evidence (via at least three informational inserts/drop-ins during each hour of non locally produced programming, except for occasional syndicated shows such as the Network Chart), with hourly bulletins containing local news run at least during peak-time. National news will feature at other times. Speech should account for at least 10% of daytime output

REVIEW OF EXISTING PROGRAMME SERVICE

Scheduling and duration of any specific programmes (music, speech, local or linguistic) required by the Format.

None

Content, duration and scheduling of any specific programmes (music, speech, local or linguistic) the station has currently or recently been broadcasting not specifically required by the Format

On weekdays Trent runs news half hourly from 7am-9am and hourly until 7pm. They also split their bulletins broadcasting localised news to their Nottingham and Mansfield transmitters at 7.30am, 8am, 8.30am, 9am and 5pm and 6pm. On Weekends Trent runs local news from 7am until 1pm in the afternoon.

Quantity of programming currently automated, and when scheduled.

The 'Best of Jo and Twiggy' is automated from 5am to 6am on weekdays and 6am to 7am on Saturdays. The CD countdown from 11am to 1pm on Saturday is also automated.

Quantity of programming currently being broadcast that is syndicated and/or networked, and when scheduled.

Network programming operates:
Monday to Friday – 1am to 5am and 7pm to 10pm
Saturday Midnight to 7am and 7pm to Midnight
Sunday Midnight to 7am, 10am to Midday and 4pm to 10pm

Arrangements in place for the compilation, production and presentation of local news (e.g. any sharing of resources with other radio stations, local newspapers or other sources).

Local news is entirely locally produced/presented. The licence also accommodates Derby's Ram FM, which operates under separate Format.

ASSESSMENT OF EFFECTS OF CHANGE OF CONTROL IN RELATION TO:

i) Local Content and Character of Service:

Not prejudicial

ii) Character of Service:

Not prejudicial

iii) Quality and Range of Programmes:

Not prejudicial

SUGGESTED VARIATIONS TO THE LICENCE (IF ANY)

None