

Nokia UK Ltd response to the Broadband Fixed Wireless Access (BFWA) at 28 GHz Consultation Document

Dear Joe,

Nokia supports the relaxation of usage restrictions. This would synergistically strengthen the case for investment.

We believe however that the 'use it or lose' clause should remain in some form, in the interests of consumers. The Cave review was of the opinion that such clauses are redundant but there could be policy objectives - in this case 'Broadband Britain' - which were not part of the consideration.

The other main objection in the Cave review was that such clauses might cause financial hardship. This would not be the case if they are not too demanding. One possibility would be a system of 'rebates' to the operator, payable when milestones are reached.

Finally, our previous comment that the reserve prices are too high remains.

Yours sincerely

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