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**Representing:**

Self

**Organisation (if applicable):**

**What do you want Ofcom to keep confidential?:**

Keep nothing confidential

**If you want part of your response kept confidential, which parts?:**

**Ofcom may publish a response summary:**

Yes

**I confirm that I have read the declaration:**

Yes

**Ofcom should only publish this response after the consultation has ended:**

Yes

**Comments:**

In pursuit of eliminating so-called 'not spots' in mobile coverage, this will inevitably entail a large number of new base stations being built across the country. With regard to a cautionary approach recommended by the Stewart Report, does OfCom not think that a new investigation into the potential health risks of Electro-magnetic radiation and thermal radiation is required to confirm that such a roll-out is safe for those living near the new base-stations. Also, new planning protocols should be passed giving local people a greater say in where such masts should be sited.

**Question 2.1: Do you agree with our principles for mobile regulation?:**

Yes

**Question 3.1: Are there any additional sector trends that we should consider in our analysis?:**

Broadband

**Question 3.2: Have we identified the right regulatory challenges?:**

In part

**Question 4.1: We have outlined a number of factors which may affect the future market structure, including network sharing, spectrum and potential consolidation. Do you agree with this assessment, including risks and benefits that we have outlined?:**

In part

**Question 4.2: you see any risks to competition that we have not highlighted?:**

Not enough risk assessment in to health effects of base-station radiation.

**Question 4.3: Do you agree that a market review in the mobile sector (other than in the call termination market) is not currently required?:**

no

**Question 4.4: We have concluded that competition in the mobile sector is currently addressing access concerns adequately. Do you agree?:**

In part

**Question 5.1: Do you agree with our assessment of investment in the UK mobile market and our priorities to secure future efficient investment?:**

In part

**Question 6.1: Ofcom considers that regulatory intervention to protect and empower consumers continues to be needed in the mobile sector and that competition alone is not necessarily sufficient to secure this. Do you agree?:**

Yes

**Question 6.2: We believe that the approach we take to consumer protection and empowerment in the mobile sector strikes the right balance between taking timely action when necessary, and the need to apply regulation only when effective and proportionate. Do you agree?:**

Yes

**Question 6.3: Are there any areas relating to mobile services that Ofcom is not currently addressing but which it needs to address in order to achieve its consumer policy objectives? Are there other areas where regulation could be scaled back? :**

The mobile sector has too much power over the planning process

**Question 8.1: Do you agree that our proposed facilitation role around mobile not-spot issues is a realistic and sensible thing to do?:**

OfCom should have a regulatory role in this field, but I do not think that not-spots are a major issue for the public compared to the potential health risks. OfCom should be holding the mobile operators to account, not helping them to roll out their business model across the country.

**Question 8.2: Do you agree with our general approach set out in the table above? Are there any other actions we should take and why?:**

Force mobile operators to take local stakeholders views into greater account.

**Question 9.1: Are there any additional issues about mobile content and accessing content via mobile that should be considered?:**

No

**Question 9.2: We have set out some differences between accessing content via the fixed internet and via mobile. Are there any further differences?:**

None that I can think of