

What are your comments on these proposals?:

Re Proposal 3;

I am a keen DXer and I regularly scan the Medium Wave bands. I live in the London area and enjoy excellent reception from Brookmans Park, Saffron Green, and Crystal Palace.

I consider that the audience of local radio on MW is so low that an earlier shutoff (say in 2010) would be more appropriate.

There are at least 15 low power local transmitters still throwing out less than 5KW within my catchment area. This is only serving to block those frequencies unnecessarily for English audiences. On a winter evening the low power stations suffer severe cross channel interference. The quality of the audio (especially for music) is too low (in comparison to DAB).

I would suggest that frequencies such as 648, 693, 810, 882, 909, 1053, and 1089 should be preserved since they are for high power national networks. All other stations should be closed down.

In conclusion, I suggest that there is no justification for keeping low power MW beyond 2010.