

What additional details do you want to keep confidential?:

Keep name confidential

Ofcom may publish a response summary:

Yes

I confirm that I have read the declaration:

Yes

Additional comments:

Question 1: Do you agree that it is likely that the benefits to UK consumers and citizens will be greater from the MoD's release of spectrum in the 2.3 GHz and 3.4 GHz release bands than from retaining the current amateur use?:

Yes. A great number of people will benefit from the ban release which unfortunately far outweighs keeping it as currently allocated.

Question 2: Are there current uses in the release bands other than those detailed in RSGB's band plan and discussed in Section 3 of this consultation?:

Not that I am aware of

Question 3: Are there further consequences of removing the release bands from amateur licences that have not been considered in our analysis?:

Financial loss by making certain types of transmissions impossible (analogue ATV) or prohibitively expensive to convert to other modes or suitable bands.

Question 4: There is an option (although not preferred) to remove access to the adjacent bands, as well as to the release bands. What are the consequences of removing access to the adjacent bands from amateur licences?:

Loss of a valuable resources with leaving a large gap between lower and upper frequency allocations.

Making equipment obsolete and worthless possibly causing financial hardship to the user as some have invested a time and money in building up equipment and facilities (especially ATV repeaters)

Question 5: Are there current uses in the adjacent bands other than those detailed in the RSGB's band plan and discussed in Section 3?:

Not that I am aware of

Question 6: Are there additional mitigation measures which would provide demonstrable proof that amateurs would not cause interference into LTE in the release bands following the release?:

Not at the moment as the service is not running. The work done in association with Ofcom and Amateur groups has been to a very high level and should be commended. They have covered what appears to be all possible at this stage. Amateurs that use these frequencies usually have a high level of technical knowledge and when aware of the situation will do all possible to mitigate any issues.

Question 7: Do you agree with the proposed process for varying licences following cases of reported interference and our proposal to vary licences should dealing with the number of reported cases become too onerous?:

Yes so long as cases are investigated properly and evidence is presented to justify removal of the bands rather than 'hear say' from the mobile providers.

Question 8: Do you agree with our preferred option?:

Yes.

Question 9: Are there additional changes to the Amateur Radio Licence which would assist amateur in lowering the risk of causing harmful interference to new uses?:

A voluntary registration of activity in the bands to be released to help quickly identify any possible conflicts and possibly aid any resolution to issues caused by Amateurs.