

Moving Freeview to make more airwaves available for mobile – the ‘700 MHz Clearance Programme’

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On 26 March 2020, Ofcom published an update on the progress of delivery of the 700 MHz clearance programme. In that update we confirmed that a decision had been taken to postpone carrying out the final two 700 MHz clearance events scheduled for April. As a result, the 700 MHz clearance programme was paused until the Covid-19 risk had subsided.

We have worked with programme stakeholders to develop a revised timescale for delivering clearance of the 700 MHz band now that working restrictions related to Covid-19 are being eased. We can now confirm that the remaining two clearance events are scheduled for 12th and 19th August 2020. Digital UK will communicate the changes to viewers who may be affected by these 700 MHz clearance events and will offer support with TV retuning via the Freeview website at www.freeview.co.uk/tvchanges and Freeview Advice Line on 0808 100 0288. Viewers may be eligible for in-home support, including aerial adjustment or replacement where necessary.