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Information Requests
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Freedom of Information request: Right to know request

Thank you for your request for information concerning the Community Radio Fund 2025/2026.

We received this request on 9 March 2026 and we have considered your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the 'FOI Act').

Your request & our response

1. A list of all organisations that submitted an application.

2. The amount of funding each applicant requested.

In answer to questions 1 and 2, we are unable to disclose this information as we consider this is exempt under Section 44 of the FOI Act which exempts the disclosure of information which is prohibited from disclosure by another enactment. In this case, we are prohibited under section 393 of the Communications Act 2003 from disclosing information that relates to a business which we have obtained in exercising our functions, unless we have the consent of that business or one of the statutory gateways for disclosure under section 393(2) of the Communications Act 2003 is met. Neither of these exceptions apply here. Section 44 of the FOI Act is an absolute exemption and does not require a public interest test.

3. A list of all organisations that were awarded funding.

A list of all those who were awarded funding can be found under "Summary of awards" [here](#).

4. The amount awarded to each successful applicant.

A list of the amounts awarded can be found [here](#).

If disclosure of the full list of applicants or requested amounts is considered exempt under the Act, please confirm whether Rotherham Broadcasting CIC (Rother Radio) submitted an application in the 2025/2026 round, the amount requested, and whether it was successful.

We are unable to provide this information as it is exempt from disclosure under Section 44 of the FOI Act, as above.

Yours sincerely,

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Request an internal review

If you are unhappy with the response you have received to your request for information, or think that your request was refused without a reason valid under the law, you may ask for an internal review. If you do, it will be subject to an independent review within Ofcom. We will either uphold the original decision, or reverse or modify it.

If you would like to ask us to carry out an internal review, you should get in touch within two months of the date of this letter. There is no statutory deadline for us to complete our internal review, and the time it takes will depend on the complexity of the request. But we will try to complete the review within 20 working days (or no more than 40 working days in exceptional cases) and keep you informed of our progress. Please email the Information Requests team (information.requests@ofcom.org.uk) to request an internal review.

Taking it further

If you are unhappy with the outcome of our internal review, then you have the right to [complain to the Information Commissioner's Office](#).