

Reference: 02271775

Information Requests
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Freedom of Information request: Right to know request

Thank you for your request for information about Your FM Stockport and your associated complaint. We received this request on 21 August 2026 and we have considered it under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the FOI Act').

Your request & our response

This request relates to complaint reference 02223357, concerning the community radio station Your FM (Stockport) (107.8FM Ltd), which Ofcom confirmed on 29 July 2026 it would not be pursuing further.

I would like to request the following recorded information:

- 1. All case notes, assessment records, or internal correspondence held by Ofcom relating to the handling and assessment of my complaint ref 02223357.*
- 2. Any record setting out the reasoning for the decision not to pursue the complaint further, including how this decision was reached against Your FM's license conditions and key commitments, and the rules applied to other Community Radio Stations.*
- 3. Any compliance monitoring records, correspondence, or notes held by Ofcom in the last 12 months concerning:*
 - * the level of local and speech content broadcast by Your FM;*
 - * the closure of Your FM's local studio and office base and/or the sale of the studio equipment - It is my understanding that this should have passed to another local nonprofit group if 107.8FM ceases to broadcast?*
 - * Your FM's compliance with the requirement to maintain a studio within its Transmission/Target Service Area (TSA), per the Broadcasting Code and its license conditions.*
- 4. Any correspondence between Ofcom and the licensee of Your FM (or its former manager) concerning the matters above.*

We are unable to disclose the records and correspondence you have requested as we consider this information is exempt from disclosure under section 44 of the FOI Act. Section 44(1) of the FOI Act provides that information is exempt from disclosure if its disclosure is prohibited by or under any enactment. The enactment that prohibits the disclosure of this information is section 393(1) of the Communications Act 2003 ("the Act"). Under this section, we are prohibited from disclosing information with respect to a particular business that has been obtained in the exercise of our regulatory, unless that business consents or one of the statutory gateways under section 393(2) of

the Act is met, neither of which apply here. Section 44 of the FOI Act is an absolute exemption and therefore is not subject to the public interest test.

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](#).