

Your response

Question

Do you agree that for the purposes of where locally-made programming may come from, Ofcom should approve the 'South of England (Bauer)' area in relation to the 12 local licences listed in Section 2 of this document? If you do not agree, please give reasons.

Your response

I do NOT agree that this vast area should be amalgamated. Spirit FM (Chichester and West Sussex) provide a valued community service providing local information, charitable support, support to vulnerable communities and it has been invaluable in the current circumstances of CoViD19 which does not seem to be going away any time soon. By fragmenting community in this regionalised/nationalised may well have operating or advertising efficiencies but fails to acknowledge a sense of place. All 12 stations, in particular Spirit, should have the right to choose what they would like to receive across the various media platforms.