## **Additional comments:**

## Question 1: Do you agree with our proposals that local dialling should be closed in the Five Area Codes - Aberdeen (01224), Bradford (01274), Brighton (01273), Middlesbrough (01642) and Milton Keynes (01908) - on 1 October 2014?:

No, I strongly disagree.

Question 2: Are you aware of any local or national events that may dilute consumer awareness communications/any other factors suggesting that 1 October 2014 is an unsuitable date/time of year to introduce the proposed changes to local dialling?:

No

Question 3: Do you have any comments on the proposed modifications to the Numbering Plan set out at Annex 4 and/or on our view as to how the proposed modification meets the relevant legal tests in section 60(2) of the Act?:

Rather than end local dialling, why not run another Big Number programme.

A similar change should be done the effected areas.

Brighton,Portsmouth,Southampton and Bournemouth should all be 023!

Bournemouth: re-introduce local dialling by changing the area code from 01202 to 023 20

Brighton change the code from 01273 to 023 73

Portsmouth and Southampton should remain the same with the existing 023 80 and 023 92 numbers.

This will retain and expand local dialling to a wider area, it will also free up many numbers.

As for Bradford. the same should be done by using the code 025 74 and possibly involving other big towns and cities such as Blackburn.

Bradford 01274 to 025 74 Blackburn 01254 to 025 54 Bolton 01204 to 025 04 Preston 01772 to 025 72 Blackpool 01253 to 025 53 Middlesbrough 01642 to 025 42

Milton Keynes should be incorporated into the 024 range possibly becoming 024 08

The 01 range should be used for smaller towns and populations and the 02 system be used for

tackling the problem of number shortages.

A crack down on porting 01 and 02 geographical numbers to mobile phones should be done and service providers holding on to unused allocated numbers should hand them back.