Additional comments:

Normally purchased licences to operate within a band requires that spectrum occupancy shall be solely within the band for which the licence is granted. Generally transmission outside of a commercially licensed band will be allowed if no interference takes place. This principle should be adhered to and OFCOM must be prepared to close down base stations and other equipment which interfere with the legitimate operation of other equipment in adjacent bands.

North Walsham in Norfolk is a low DTT Freeview signal area. Head amplifiers in conjunction with chimney mounted antenna are often used with gains of up to 40dB in order to receive an acceptable signal level during clear weather (but this gain is still inadequate during rainy conditions to ensure acceptable signal levels). The current cellular telephone base stations at North Walsham are concentrated in the same line of sight from the town as is the very distant DTT transmitter at Tacolneston.

Question 1: Do you have any comments on our modelling approach and assessment of numbers of households affected?:

Question 2: Do you agree with our high level conclusions on mitigation options?:

Question 3: Do you have any comments, views or evidence that you would wish to be considered in our further work looking at the appropriate level of consumer support?:

Question 4: Do you have any comments or views on how we have assessed the approaches and our preference for the hybrid approach?:

Question 5: Do you agree with the options, the assessment approach and our initial conclusions? What are your views on cost risks and how to deal with them?: