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**What do you want Ofcom to keep confidential?:**

Keep nothing confidential

**Ofcom may publish a response summary:**

Yes

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Yes

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**Comments:**

**Proposal 1: regional stations allowed to share programming to become national stations:**

**Proposal 2: creation of a new national multiplex from existing regional multiplexes:**

**Proposal 3: co-location within a new set of defined areas:**

**Proposal 4: programme sharing within the newly defined areas:**

**Proposal 5: mergers of local multiplexes:**

It is sometimes a good idea to have a bigger multiplex area but if it means all the multiplexes are based in only one city then it is not.

As an example in the East Midlands you could have Heart, Smooth, BBC stations all based in Nottingham, meaning Leicester and Derby would miss out.

A better idea would be to keep the bigger area but insist that one must be based in Leicester another in Derby etc.

You would get a better mix of regional news and sports coverage as well. Otherwise the LOCAL will be missing from Local radio.

**Proposal 6: an enhanced news option for local FM stations:**

**Proposal 7: AM stations:**

**Proposal 8: Limited redefinition of contemporary music Formats:**