

Dear Ed Richards,

I am writing to respond to Ofcom's second Public Service Broadcasting Review and to reflect my concerns about the future of public service broadcasting. I would like my views to be published in full in line with other responses to this consultation.

I am opposed to any form of 'top-slicing' the BBC licence fee, or any re-allocation of BBC income, commercial or otherwise. I am opposed to the privatisation of Channel Four. I wish Ofcom to fulfil its statutory duty in terms of ITV by ensuring that ITV continues with, and expands upon, its local and regional news and non-news commitments including Childrens' TV production. I support the use of regulatory measures such as gifted allocation of digital spectrum to secure sufficient guarantees from ITV in return for strong enforceable obligations over PSB content, in line with submissions by the National Union of Journalists, BECTU and Unite. I urge you to come up with a proposal that not only maintains but also strengthens the provision of public service content across the UK.

Yours sincerely,