

**Question 1: which services are most likely to drive take up of DTT consumer reception equipment using new technologies? In particular, are HD services the most likely to do so?:**

Yes, Please

**Question 2: do you agree with Ofcom's assessment that it would be beneficial for the DTT platform to begin to upgrade to new technologies ? DVB-T2 and MPEG-4 - to make more efficient use of spectrum and to allow for the introduction of new services?:**

Yes

**Question 3: Ofcom is particularly interested in hearing from multiplex operators and programme providers as to whether they are interested in using DVB-T2 and / or MPEG-4, and whether Ofcom should consider permitting their use on DTT?:**

**Question 4: do you agree that the earliest possible availability and adoption of the technologies is in the interests of consumers and citizens?:**

Yes, please speed up this process.

**Question 5: do you agree with Ofcom's view that DVB-T2 MPEG-4 reception equipment could be commercially available in time for DSO in Granada region in late 2009?:**

Yes, but it should be made available sooner to all.

**Question 6: do you agree that some form of intervention is required in order for the DTT platform to commence an upgrade to new technologies without delay?:**

Yes, to stop those with a 'vested' interest stopping the roll out of HDTV Freeview services. It should be available to all & not limited by price.

**Question 17: do you agree with the proposal that HD broadcasting on the DTT platform should use the more efficient progressive format, rather than the interlaced format?:**

Yes

**Question 18: do you agree with the proposal that Ofcom should not mandate the use of the capacity for any particular service type (SD or HD) but allow the broadcasters to make proposals?:**

Yes

**Question 19: do you agree with the proposal that the capacity should be allocated in three UK-wide blocks initially, rising to four blocks at DSO?:**

No, UK roll out.

**Additional comments:**

I would just like to see the HDTV service rolled out asap so that all can make use of it. In addition it will stop people having to buy a digibox & then another when HDTV is available.

Get it done.

### **The Future of Digital Terrestrial Television**

I have attached this as required by the Ofcom web site contact procedures in order that I can include Computeractive and The Gadget Show in the debate.

Your consultation requests responses regarding the future of digital television in this country and I have replied before via the online form but on further reflection feel that in the light of HDTV Freeview in the offing that the current digital switch over must be *stopped* now.

Ofcom should ensure that the roll out of HDTV Freeview is accelerated nationally at the earliest opportunity. So that the whole country can have HDTV Freeview for the Olympics in 2012 or earlier. As currently people are restricted to paying for Sky's inflated services unless they live in a cabled area.

This would prevent people having to buy another Freeview box in a couple of years time. I have four Freeview set top boxes and will have to buy another four when HDTV Freeview becomes available.