

Question 1: Do consultees agree that these are appropriate policy objectives for Ofcom in considering possible alternative arrangements for signing on television?:

see below

Question 2: Do consultees agree that Ofcom has identified appropriate options?:

see below

Question 3: Do consultees agree with Ofcom's reasons for rejecting the ideas described in paragraph 3.18?:

see below

Question 4: Do consultees agree with the proposals outlined in paragraph 3.32?:

see below

Question 5: Do consultees agree that the aim should be to put any new arrangements in place from the start of 2008?:

see below

Question 6: Do consultees have any comments on the impact assessment? Where possible, it would be useful for arguments about the cost of different options to be supported by relevant data.:

see below

Question 7: Do consultees consider that the proposed revisions to the Code are sufficiently clear?..:

see below

Comments:

First of all, you will wonder why I have put down "see below". It is because the English content of the questions are really hard! How do you expect to approach a Deaf audience whose first language is not English with difficult questions! Just ask in PLAIN english or add on BSL translation! That is one primary thing you have to think when consulting deaf groups. There are many guidelines on this and you obviously havent read them or

adhered to them. Whats the point of this consultation when oyu havent got the foggiest idea about Deaf people in the first place.

Anyway I will be NICE to you.

- 1) you are worried about low audiences when it comes to Deaf programmes, well, many of us tape See Hear so our numbers do not count! We are like hearing people, we play football, we go to work etc. Moving See Hear to a Wednesday lunchtime slot is ludicrous. Low audience figures will remain as everyone wil still tape the programmes.
- 2)Ideally i want Deaf presenters. Obviously this doesnt work in mainstream programmes, so use in vision signing. I prefer Deaf signers not hearing signers as it is the second lanuage of hearing people. Ideally would like 3D but we are not in the year 3000.
- 3) I want subtitles. I rely on subtitles all the time. Subtitles will need to be on time and accurate. I have noted many many times errors.
- 4) I want subtitles and signing to be available 24/7. After all unlike blind people we dont get a reduced licence fee, and we should be equal to hearing people, so therefore we should be getting the same full service. Also some signed programmes are on late at night! that is ludicrous. what makes you think we are all night owls?
- 5) I want to see more Deaf programmes at appropriate times, preferably at peak times
- 6) We should have the choice of subtitles or signing, so there should be a facility to switch on or off for benefit of other people like we do with 888 or the new cable subltitles settings

That is it. I am sure the majority will agree with me.

I will await to hear from you and I hope you will consider my and other peoples viess favourably.

Once again, you need to rethink your consultations. Using the BDA and the RNID isnt suffient.

Thank you