

What are your comments on these proposals?:

With regard to Proposal 3, and in particular proposal 3.2 and 3.3:

I object very strongly to these proposals - Ofcom should immediately stop the licensing of DRM stations in the Medium Wave (AM) band since they produce serious interference to analogue (AM) services and cannot be received on analogue radios. Ofcom should abandon plans to empty the AM and FM bands for other services, and should continue with the current analogue services indefinitely.

Why should the public be forced to get rid of their current radios, which work perfectly well, and spend money purchasing new equipment? I have 12 radios capable of FM and AM reception which will remain serviceable for many years to come - to dispose of them to landfill and replace them with digital radios will be costly for me, and environmentally irresponsible.

I am quite satisfied with the existing analogue service, and strongly object to Ofcom's policy of driving listeners off the AM and FM bands by reducing the quality of analogue service, particularly with regard to the introduction of DRM on the existing AM band - if DRM is to be introduced it should be in its own separate part of the radio spectrum - it does not co-exist with AM.