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Licence number: CR102878

Service name	Thornbury Radio
Licence area	Thornbury and surrounding villages - Alveston, Olveston, Tytherington, Oldbury-on-Severn, Leyhill, Wickwar, Bagstone and Iron Acton (as shown in the licensed coverage area map)
Frequency	105.1 MHz, 107.5 MHZ

Description of character of service

Thornbury Radio is a service for the community of Thornbury and surrounding villages delivering programming and opportunities to combat isolation. It promotes local voluntary organisations and provides information to and a voice for residents through the facilitation of discussions on a range of topics of interest to the community.

The service broadcasts:

- Music. The main types of music broadcast over the course of each week are: popular music spanning the past 5 decades and a range of specialist music.
- Speech. The main types of speech output broadcast over the course of each week are: local news weather, traffic and events in addition to interviews and debates.
- Programming in English
- The service provides original output¹ for a minimum of 4 hours per day.
- The service provides locally-produced output² for a minimum of 2 hours per day.

The studio is located within the licensed coverage area.

The service provides a range of community benefits (social gain objectives mandated by statute) for the target community, both on-air and off-air, and in doing so, achieves the following objectives:

- the facilitation of discussion and the expression of opinion,
- the provision (whether by means of programmes included in the service or otherwise) of education or training to individuals not employed by the person providing the service, and

¹ Original output is content which is first produced for, and transmitted by, the station and excludes output that was transmitted elsewhere before. Original output can be live, pre-recorded or voice-tracked. Repeat broadcasts of original output and continuous music with no speech content other than advertisements, station idents and/or outsourced news bulletins (i.e. news bulletins produced by a third party) do not meet Ofcom's definition of original output.

² Locally-produced output is content which is made and broadcast from within the station's licensed coverage area. It may include all types of local production including repeats and continuous music, as long as it is created anywhere within the licensed coverage area and is not material that is networked from other stations. Content which is made outside the station's licensed coverage area, but edited and broadcast from within the coverage area, does not meet Ofcom's definition of locally-produced output.

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• the better understanding of the particular community and the strengthening of links within it.

Members of the target community contribute to the operation and management of the service.

The service has mechanisms in place to ensure it is accountable to its target community.

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Link to application for reference:

https://www.ofcom.org.uk/ data/assets/pdf file/0031/150997/Thornbury Radio application.pdf