

Your response

We were refused last year a Community Radio license due to "lack of spectrum availability".

We now have a LPAM license and have an AM transmitter up and running.

At the time of our application we openly stated that we would be happy to accept an AM license instead of an FM license. However Ofcom has decided without consultation to stop issuing AM licenses as an alternative to FM.

We would like Ofcom to run another AM community radio license round, or perhaps offer the opportunity for existing LPAM licensees who are already on air to convert to a community radio license.

This would allow us the opportunity to address a wider audience with minimal work for Ofcom, simply by converting our existing LPAM license to a Community Radio license.

We appreciate the work involved with a full license round is large, but removing the opportunity to have an AM license instead of an FM one without consultation is a real shame, when we clearly are technically capable of engineering and getting on air such a solution (in our case less than 24 hours after the license was issued, which was less than 2 weeks after the license offer was made).