

Your response

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<p data-bbox="204 441 778 741">Question 1: Do you agree with our proposal to wait until after the publication of the WFTMR statement to define the circumstances in which premises can be excluded from the definition of a completed ultrafast exchange, by giving a direction under the future WFTMR SMP conditions?</p> <p data-bbox="204 790 730 862">Please set out your reasons and supporting evidence for your response.</p>	<p data-bbox="809 441 1378 862">CMA agrees with the objective as outlined in paragraph 2:10 of the consultation document that regulation should be geared towards the retirement of all copper and replacement by fibre throughout the digital infrastructure to all premises. In addition to the steps being considered to accelerate the sale of copper services by Openreach and other service providers, Ofcom should plan for regulation to terminate the provision of copper based services progressively by Openreach and other service providers at dates to be determined.</p> <p data-bbox="809 902 1369 1211">The reason for CMA's response is that the acceleration of implementation and take up of digital services in the public and private sector requires universal FTTP access so that old analogue and copper based services can be fully retired and legacy inefficient services which use them can be replaced by more effective and efficient applications and processes which require end-to-end fibre.</p>