

Your response

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<p>Question 1: Do you agree with our assessment that our proposals will not discriminate against any groups with protected characteristics? Please state your reasons and provide evidence to support your view.</p>	<p>Confidential? – N</p> <p>Yes</p>
<p>Question 2: Do you agree with our assessment under the Welsh Language Policy Marking Standards? Please state your reasons and provide evidence to support your view.</p>	<p>Confidential? – N</p> <p>Yes</p>
<p>Question 3: Do you agree with the objectives we propose to use for our review of safeguard caps? Please state your reasons and provide evidence to support your view.</p>	<p>Confidential? – N</p> <p>Yes</p>
<p>Question 4: Do you agree with our analysis of the market in relation to Second Class standard letters and large letters? Please state your reasons and provide evidence to support your view.</p>	<p>Confidential? – N</p> <p>Yes</p>
<p>Question 5: Do you agree with our analysis of the market in relation to Second Class parcels up to 2kg? Please state your reasons and provide evidence to support your view.</p>	<p>Confidential? – N</p> <p>Yes</p>
<p>Question 6: Do you agree with our approach to assessing affordability of postal services? Please state your reasons and provide evidence to support your view.</p>	<p>Confidential? – N</p> <p>Yes</p>
<p>Question 7: Do you agree with our assessment of the affordability of Second Class postal prices? Please state your reasons and provide evidence to support your view.</p>	<p>Confidential? – N</p> <p>Yes</p>

<p>Question 8: Do you agree with our analysis of the impact of the caps on the financial sustainability of the universal service? Please state your reasons and provide evidence to support your view.</p>	<p>Confidential? – N</p> <p>Yes</p>
<p>Question 9: Do you agree with our proposal for the structure of the safeguard cap to be based on a single basket which includes Second Class standard and large letters? Please state your reasons and provide evidence to support your view.</p>	<p>Confidential? – N</p> <p>The proposals could result in a significant price increase for large letter prices, due to letter volumes being far higher than for large letter volumes. The NFSP believes the basket approach could help large letter prices increase significantly.</p>
<p>Question 10: Do you agree with our proposal to set the basket cap for Second Class standard and large letters at current prices plus CPI? Please state your reasons and provide evidence to support your view.</p>	<p>Confidential? – N</p> <p>The NFSP would have a concern that a percentage increase would increase the differential between standard and large letter pricing.</p>
<p>Question 11: Do you agree with our proposal to set the cap for five years? Please state your reasons and provide evidence to support your view.</p>	<p>Confidential? – N</p> <p>No. The NFP believes that a yearly review would be more beneficial given the fast-changing market.</p>
<p>Question 12: Do you agree with the structure of the basket set out in Annex 5 in which stamp prices are weighted by volumes of each service type based on the volumes measured two years prior to the control? Please state your reasons and provide evidence to support your view.</p>	<p>Confidential? – N</p> <p>Yes</p>
<p>Question 13: Do you agree with our proposal to remove the safeguard cap from Second Class parcels up to 2kg? Please state your reasons and provide evidence to support your view.</p>	<p>Confidential? – N</p> <p>No. Vulnerable customers could be impacted on these lower weight items.</p>
<p>Question 14: Do you consider that there is value in developing a targeted scheme focussing on vulnerable consumers? If yes, your views on characteristics of such a scheme including target groups, nature of support and delivery options. Please state your reasons and provide evidence to support your view.</p>	<p>Confidential? – N</p> <p>The NFSP believes that a targeted scheme whilst a good idea, would change the status of a Universal Service and create a tiered system.</p>

Question 15: Do you have any other comments on the proposed modifications to the relevant DUSP conditions through which we propose to implement our proposals, attached in Annex 5? Please state your reasons and provide evidence to support your view.

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No

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