

Consultation response form

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Consultation title	Improving mobile coverage: Proposals for coverage obligations in the award of the 700MHz spectrum band
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Representing (delete as appropriate)	Self / Organisation - please provide the organisation's name below
Organisation name	Longsleddale Parish
Email address	[REDACTED]
We will keep your contact number and email address confidential. Are there any additional details you want to keep confidential? (delete as appropriate)	Nothing
For confidential responses, can Ofcom publish a reference to the contents of your response?	Yes

Your response

Question 1: Do you agree with our proposal to impose two geographic coverage obligations and a premises obligation in the 700MHz award?	yes
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Question 2: Do you agree with our proposed target for geographic coverage?	yes
Question 3: Do you agree with our proposed target for in premises coverage?	No should be broader to include virtually everyone
Question 4: Do you agree with our proposed approach to targets for the Nations?	No should be broader to include virtually everyone.
Question 5: Do you agree with our proposal that these obligations be met within 3 years of the 700MHz award?	Probably, would like it to be sooner but could be a higher 2 year target with high fines if not reached
Question 6: Do you agree that sharing information on the location of new sites in rural areas in advance of submitting a planning notice would be appropriate?	yes

Question 7: Do you have any other comments?

The Home Office are currently attempting to install "blue light" services coverage but in the more difficult to reach rural areas like where I live in the Lake District National Park, are deliberately ensuring no commercial offering is included despite the obvious community need and safety case to do so. This is a ridiculous waste of resources particularly as individuals are regularly stranded on the surrounding fells without contact being possible. With poor broadband and lack of all other community services such disregard for community needs is unacceptable.

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