## Your response

## Question

Should Ofcom consent to Secklow Sounds CIC's making the changes it proposes to the Key Commitments of Secklow Sounds, with particular regard to the statutory criteria set out in Section 2 of this consultation document? (Section 106 (1A) of the 1990 Broadcasting Act, as modified by the Community Radio Order 2004).

## Your response

Ofcom should not consent to Secklow Sounds proposal to change any of their Key Commitments in any shape or form. Any change to stations in our area removes the choice for the listener and is not in keeping with the Ofcom ideal of Broadening Choice for the community. The area is in need to new stations and not changing all the existing stations to sound the same. If Secklow enacts all of it plans and was managed correctly there would not be any issues with maintaining a compliant radio service.

Ofcom should help support this station by giving technical guidance rather than just reduce their service. I personally have a concern with their ability to train younger and more vulnerable volunteers and what checks are put in place to safeguard our children. There is a large turnover of shows and the station work on retaining presenter instead of reducing its hours to fit. Has Ofcom spoken to people who have volunteered with Secklow and not returned, this would be a good idea. The music should not be changed to attract a younger audience as this was not what was agreed for them to start broadcasting. I know that FM radio may be outdated to the young people of this world but it is still needed in our community and we deserve better than Secklow Sounds. Thank you