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Do you agree that for the purposes of where locally-made programming may come from, Ofcom should approve the 'South of England (Bauer)' area in relation to the 12 local licences listed in Section 2 of this document? If you do not agree, please give reasons.

No I do not agree.

Spirit FM is truly local to Chichester. As well as programming tailored to the Chichester area, which is far more effective than the general programmes for the whole of south central England, it runs many community initiatives. For example, it has been helpful to many during the Covid-19 crisis because its messages are not general but specific to the needs of people in Chichester.

Replacing Spirit FM with, in effect, a national set of programmes supplemented with a small amount of regional programming is completely different from the current local programming, and will do little to support the people of Chichester in good times and bad.

This proposal means the end of local radio in Chichester, and it should be rejected.