

Your response

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Confidential? – N

As well as providing entertainment, Spirit FM provides a vital community service in a way that no national radio station could do. This is particularly relevant during the current Coronavirus pandemic and in times of extreme weather as, in both cases, it connects the community and lets people know what is going on. It can also play a significant role in developing and showcasing local talent in several spheres, such as performing, technical and other areas. Spirit is also well-known for its support of local businesses and charitable concerns and showcasing events that bring the community together (e.g. summer fayres and shows; pub quizzes etc). I see little point in Spirit FM being replaced by a nationally-based commercial station which would have little input to and from its target local community. Given the choice between national radio with or without adverts, I would rather listen to a range of stations from the BBC.

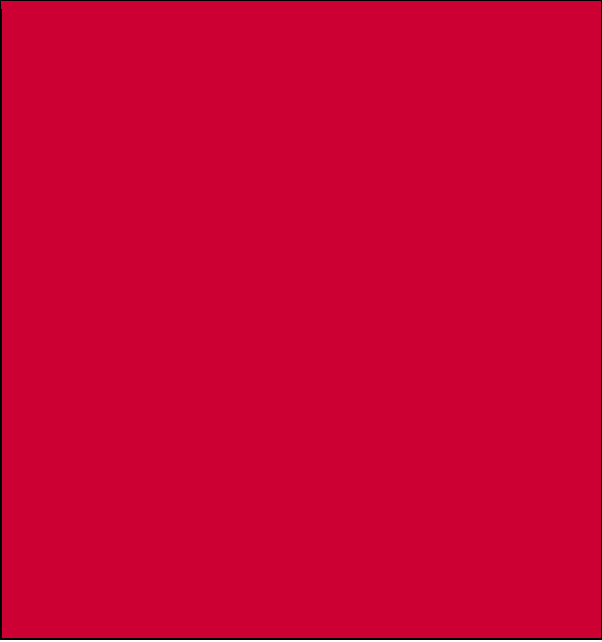
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Do you agree that for the purposes of where locally-made programming may come from, Ofcom should approve the 'South of England (Bauer)' area in relation to the 12 local licences listed in Section 2 of this document? If you do not agree, please give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

I do NOT agree

Spirit FM provides more than entertainment. It is a vital community service which cannot be replaced by a national radio station, particularly during



the current Coronavirus pandemic and in other times such as extreme weather. It connects the community and lets people know what is going on. It can also play a significant role in developing and showcasing local talent in several spheres, such as performing, technical and other areas. It is well known for supporting local businesses and charitable concerns as well as showcasing events that bring the community together (e.g. summer fayres and shows; pub quizzes etc). Listening to it helped me integrate into the area and community, and for these reasons I think it should stay on the air as it is.