

# LYNTON & LYNMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL



Town Mayor: Cllr Timothy Parker



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Complaint of proposal to extend the regional DAB/Digital radio service to North Devon and Torridge.

Dear Andrea Jackson,

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> of June 2011

I wish to complain, on behalf of the locals and visitors alike who frequent our patch, regarding the proposed extension of the South Devon Digital multiplex service into North Devon and the surrounding area. We, in our communities, particularly wish to see a local FM provision and do not believe that these proposals will adequately cover our needs fully. We only have to look at the problems that befell our television service when changing from a terrestrial to a digital system.

Within the Lynton & Lynmouth communities, there are many people who rely heavily on local radio for their exclusive entertainment. To deprive them of this much needed facility is both unfair and unjust.

Also, it is felt that the licence to broadcast on FM should be re-advertised so that the area can regain a proper local service, not only for the immediate future but for the greater good.

If, this proposal goes ahead, existing FM transmitters will eventually be switched off, leaving households without the ability to listen to local commercial and BBC Radio Devon. This, we would find as unacceptable progress into the future.

Yours truly,

Cllr Tim Parker

(Mayor of Lynton & Lynmouth)

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