

Title:

Mrs

Forename:

Patricia

Surname:

Vaughan

Representing:

Self

Organisation (if applicable):

Email:

What do you want Ofcom to keep confidential?:

Keep nothing confidential

If you want part of your response kept confidential, which parts?:

Ofcom may publish a response summary:

Yes

I confirm that I have read the declaration:

Yes

Ofcom should only publish this response after the consultation has ended:

Yes

Additional comments:

Question 1: Do you think that allowing Now Digital to extend the coverage area of its Exeter & Torbay local radio multiplex licence to include North Devon would unacceptably narrow the range of DAB programme services available in the Exeter and Torbay area? Please explain the reasons for your view.:

yes it would due to the fact that most of north devon is valley, woods and low areas out of range

Question 2: Do you think that allowing Now Digital to extend the coverage area of its Exeter & Torbay local radio multiplex licence to include North Devon would be calculated to maintain or promote the development of digital sound broadcasting in the UK otherwise than by satellite? Please explain the reasons for your view.:

i think bringing north devon into digital is nothing more than a big company monopolising the local radio stations

Question 3: Do you think that Now Digital's proposals for providing coverage of North Devon are satisfactory? Please explain the reasons for your view.:

no i don,t it woud not be accesible to the whole of north devon due to it being alot of valleys, it is hard enough getting signal now, it would be worse with digital in bad weather as this has been proved with digital television

Question 4: Do you consider that Now Digital has the ability to maintain its local radio multiplex service if its request is granted? Please explain the reasons for your view.:

how can you call it local when it is based in exeter and has no comunnications with the local areas,

Question 5: (For programme service providers on the Exeter & Torbay local radio multiplex only) Do you consider that there are sufficient safeguards in place to protect your rights and interests in the event that Now Digital is permitted to extend coverage to include North Devon?:

Question 6: Do you consider that there any other grounds on which Ofcom should approve, or not approve, the request from Now Digital? Please explain the reasons for your view.:

it should not approve, it has come to my attention that this is just a large company that has put going digital forward to keep north devon, when there contract was due for renewal and they came accross competition, as you well no, i thought ofcom was about preventing this not encouraging this, i have no faith in you at this moment in time, feelings are running very high in north devon, something that should be looked into properly before you make your decision