

It concerns me tremendously that restriction of voice use on 433MHz and above is to be lifted - these are regularly used frequencies by Radio Amateurs who operate voice channels and repeater stations on these frequencies and have done for tens of years now. Its a technical hobby which encompasses the simple user and right through to the amateur developer who is legally licenced to experiment on these frequencies (amongst others) - however increased interference on these frequencies will harm the structure in place - and sales of radios in this globally bases industry servicing the hobby. Principally the government will lose free development and experimentation if the hobby goes into decline and also tax receipts from the sales of radios which are only designed for this technologically based interest.

I would like OFCOM to re-consider this and also phase out the use of 433 as unlicenced use - there are very close frequencies close (around 450MHz which would suit far better and be simply re-engineered - they are gradually emptying by the Police forces who are leaving to use satellite based comms which uses even higher frequencies.

Please add my comments to others - I believe the (self-financed) added value and technical developement done by this group is poorly monitored and valued to society. Let alone its tax receipts.