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| What do you want Ofcom to keep confidential? | Keep nothing confidential |
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| Ofcom may publish a response summary | Yes |
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Question 1: Do respondents have any comments, additional to those made in their responses to the November consultation, on Ofcom's approach and conclusions on market definition as set out in Section 3 of this document?

Question 2: Do respondents have any comments, additional to those made in their responses to the November consultation, on Ofcom's proposed market power findings for the Hull area, Market 1 or Market 2?

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I have the second most expensive broadband package that Karoo do at £24.99 but the download speed is absolutely appalling. If I use the internet at 3 or 4 o clock in the morning the download rate is acceptable but this just accentuates how bad it is at other times like on an evening or at the weekend when it take ages for web pages to load.

If I had a cheaper package the download rates would be even worse. As a Sky subscriber I could get broadband for free but because I live in Hull I have to pay Karoo £24.99 a month.

I also have to pay Karoo for the line rental which s rarely used as without it I would have no internet.

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Hopefully KC will be disbanded and their network absorbed into the same network as the rest of the country and we can stop being treated like second class citizens.

Question 3: Do respondents agree with the approach set out by Ofcom for its market power assessment in Market 3 and its conclusion that there is no-SMP?

Question 4: Do respondents have any comments, additional to those made in their response to the November consultation, on Ofcom's proposed regulatory remedies for the Hull area Market 1 or Market 2?

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Question 5: Do respondents agree with Ofcom's proposals in relation to providing affected parties with a period of notice prior to the removal of certain SMP services conditions in Market 3? In particular do respondents agree with the proposed notice period and the proposed SMP service conditions to which the notice period applies?

Additional comments