

Ofcom has staged a meaningless consultation exercise and then proceeded to do exactly what it wanted. This is symptomatic of the way it is not merely walking away, but sprinting, from its obligations. The list of names and addresses of licensees is always out of date (things can change the day after it has been printed, as I am sure the Radio Society of Great Britain will confirm, with the Year Book), so to move to a system where information could be FIVE YEARS out of date is to abandon the last effort at something that can be used for information and enforcement and leave a total sham (and shambles). I note the same silly approach is being applied to licence conditions, where the keeping of a log (a corner stone of Amateur Radio operating, and a great assistance in determining that interference was or was not originating from your station) is being scrapped. Shame on you! Licence fees should be INCREASED and the income RING FENCED AND USED FOR ENFORCEMENT. Stop abandoning your responsibilities and start actively assuming them!