

# Consultation: Ofcom's Plan of Work 2025/26

## Ericsson response



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Ericsson welcomes the opportunity to respond to the consultation on [Ofcom's Plan of Work 2025/26](#) – December 2024.



## Enabling wireless in the UK economy

Ericsson welcomes Ofcom's commitment to ensuring spectrum remains a key enabler of wireless communication, supporting people, businesses, and industries across the UK. As demand for diverse services grows, this forward-thinking approach to spectrum management has the potential to foster innovation, drive economic growth, and advance the government's strategic goals, including its clean power 2030 and net zero plans.

In addition to the priorities outlined in the 2025/2026 plan of work, we encourage Ofcom to continue focusing on the utilities sector's communication needs, particularly as the electricity sector evolves to support clean power and net zero goals. Enhanced operational control, underpinned by digitisation, is essential for real-time monitoring and management of a smarter energy system. This will enable more efficient balancing of energy flows across the network, ensuring safer and more effective utilisation of existing and future energy infrastructure, while supporting the transition to a more sustainable and resilient smart energy network. The rising complexity of integrating producers and prosumers, along with meeting growing demands, calls for smarter energy systems to mitigate the effects of increasing risk of instability.

To achieve this, a mission-critical communications network is essential, and it will be important to identify candidate spectrum bands to support future operational communications. This will not only advance the government's clean power and net zero ambitions but also drive growth in green industries, ensuring the UK remains at the forefront of the global energy transition.