
BBC Radio proposals for new stations

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To BBCAudioproposals <BBCAudioproposals@ofcom.org.uk>

Good evening

This may seem odd coming from a community radio operator such as myself but as one of those and as an individual I would like comment on your provisional decisions with regard to the new BBC stations.

I am actually broadly in favour of both the extension for Radio 2 and that for Radio Five Live Spots extra.

My reasoning is as follows:

With regards to the Radio 2 extension, from what I have read of the BBC's proposals, while music based it would have had a large proportion of speech and features. The BBC has huge music and speech archives and the programming would have been unique and not at all similar to much of the commercial radio sector. If you were minded to reconsider, perhaps, specify a minimum amount of speech. I think this could be an opportunity missed.

With regards to Five Live sports extra, the BBC do sports and especially cricket coverage so much better than the commercial stations and it would be a shame to stop them extending that. I do urge you to reconsider the decision here as well.

Kind regards,

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