

Key Commitments

Licence number: CR101287

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| Service name | BFBS Brize Norton |
| Licence area | RAF Brize Norton (in Carterton, Oxfordshire) and the surrounding area (as shown in the licensed coverage area map) |
| Frequency | 106.1 MHz |

Description of character of service

BFBS Brize Norton provides an entertaining and informative welfare and communications package to the target community to make listeners aware of current Armed Forces, MOD and local community information. It raises awareness of support, facilities and opportunities available to the intended audience.

The service broadcasts:

- Music. The main types of music broadcast over the course of each week are: contemporary hits, Adult Contemporary music, UK Airplay hits, and Forces favourites from the last four decades
- Speech. The main types of speech output broadcast over the course of each week are: news bulletins and an extended bulletin each weekday; features and interviews; information about MOD and Command initiatives, military support, welfare agencies and support services; output to keep military personnel in touch with their families during periods of deployment, exercises or operations; and speech-led programmes covering forces sports events and results, and a weekly defence analysis programme.
- The service provides locally-produced output¹ for a minimum of 17.5 hours per week (apart from periods of unit leave, during an obituary, or a catastrophic event). At all other times programming from BFBS UK service and other BFBS stations around the world is broadcast.

The studio is located within the licensed coverage area.

The service provides a range of community benefits (social gain objectives mandated by statute) for the target community, both on-air and off-air, and in doing so, achieves the following objectives:

- the facilitation of discussion and the expression of opinion,
- the provision (whether by means of programmes included in the service or otherwise) of education or training to individuals not employed by the person providing the service, and
- the better understanding of the particular community and the strengthening of links within it.

Members of the target community contribute to the operation and management of the service.

The service has mechanisms in place to ensure it is accountable to its target community.

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¹ Original output is output that is first produced for and transmitted by the service, and excludes output that was transmitted elsewhere before. Original output can be live or voice-tracked. Repeat broadcasts of original output do not count towards the minimum requirement.

Link to application for reference: https://www.ofcom.org.uk/data/assets/pdf_file/0016/92410/BFBS-Brize-Norton.pdf

Link to licence award statement: https://www.ofcom.org.uk/data/assets/pdf_file/0031/87358/Five-community-radio-licence-awards-in-the-south-east-of-England-May-2016.pdf