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- Limavady area served added.

Trade and Industry Information

700MHz Clearance Events

UTV Region

Following a decision by Ofcom, spectrum in the 700MHz UHF band currently used for digital terrestrial television (DTT) is being reallocated for the development of future mobile services. Some DTT multiplexes will be moving to new broadcast frequencies as a result of this change.

Engineering work for the 700MHz Clearance Programme will take place at transmitters across the UK between 2017 - 2020. Freeview viewers (and those with other services that use Freeview channels, such as YouView) will need to retune their TV equipment when changes take place in their area. This document lists the currently announced clearance events for the UTV region and will be updated as new information is released. The latest version will always be available to download at www.digitaluk.co.uk/clearance. Details of the changes to transmitters will also be reflected on our coverage checker at digitaluk.co.uk/coveragechecker.

Note: Where multiplexes are moving we have included the current and future aerial group required to receive Freeview services. Digital UK recommends installers fitting new aerials use a wideband model where possible to accommodate future changes to broadcast frequencies.

Q3 2019

4 September 2019

Brougher Mountain – main station and some relay stations

Divis – main station and some relay stations

Limavady – main station and some relay stations

Previous Events

Q3 2018

5 September 2018

Divis – Bellair relay only

Changes denoted by
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4 September 2019

The Brougher Mountain transmitter group, serving south west Northern Ireland

Brougher Mountain

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel					
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)	COM4 (SDN)	COM5 (ARQA)	COM6 (ARQB)
A	A	Current	28	22+	25	21+	24	27
		04.09.19	29	31	37	21	24	27

	RF Channel
	NI Mux
Current	30-
04.09.19	30

Power change: None

Ederny

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
CD	B	Current	58	54	49
		04.09.19	40	43	46

Power change: None

Lisbellaw

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
CD	B	Current	49	54	58
		04.09.19	40	43	46

Power change: None

4 September 2019

The DIVIS transmitter group, serving Belfast and the surrounding area

Divis - further changes to occur in Q1 2020

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel					
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)	COM4 (SDN)	COM5 (ARQA)	COM6 (ARQB)
A	T	Current	27	21+	24	23	26	29
		04.09.19	27	21+	24	23	26	30

	RF Channel			
	COM7 (NUK7)	COM8 (NUK8)	LOC1	NI Mux
Current	33	34	30	n/a
04.09.19	51	60	36	48

Power change: the ERP will change from 5kW to 10kW for LOC1, the ERP will launch at 10W for NI Mux

Armagh

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
B	B	Current	44	41	47
		04.09.19	44	41	47

	RF Channel
	NI Mux
Current	n/a
04.09.19	48

Power change: the ERP will launch at 24W for NI Mux

Banbridge

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
B	B	Current	40	43	46
		04.09.19	41	44	47

Power change: None

Bangor

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
CD	B	Current	55	50	59
		04.09.19	41	44	47

Power change: None

Bellair - changes also occurred on 5 September 2018

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
CD	B	Current	39	48	52
		04.09.19	39	42	45

Power change: None

Black Mountain

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
B	K	Current	45	42	49
		04.09.19	41	44	47

	RF Channel
	NI Mux
Current	39+
04.09.19	33

Power change: the ERP will change from 2kW to 3kW for NI Mux

Camlough

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
CD	B	Current	59	55	50
		04.09.19	40	43	46

Power change: None

Conlig

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
B	A	Current	45	42	49
		04.09.19	32	34	35

Power change: None

Draperstown

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
B	A	Current	45	42	49
		04.09.19	32	34	35

Power change: None

Dromore

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
CD	B	Current	59	55	50
		04.09.19	41	44	47

Power change: None

Glenariff

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
CD	B	Current	49	54	58
		04.09.19	39	42	45

Power change: None

Glynn

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
CD	B	Current	50	55	59
		04.09.19	41	44	47

Power change: None

Kilkeel

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
B	B	Current	45	42	39+
		04.09.19	40	43	46

Power change: None

Leitrim

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
CD	A	Current	58	54	49
		04.09.19	32	34	35

Power change: None

Moneymore

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
B	B	Current	46	43	40
		04.09.19	41	44	47

Power change: None

Newcastle

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
CD	B	Current	50	55	59
		04.09.19	40	43	46

	RF Channel
	NI Mux
Current	n/a
04.09.19	48

Power change: the ERP will launch at 200W for NI Mux

Newry North

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
B	A	Current	43	46	40
		04.09.19	22	25	28

Power change: None

Newtownards

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
CD	A	Current	50	55	59
		04.09.19	32	34	35

Power change: None

Rostrevor Forest

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
B	A	Current	39	42	45
		04.09.19	23	26	30

Power change: None

Whitehead

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
CD	B	Current	52	51	56
		04.09.19	39	42	45

	RF Channel
	NI Mux
Current	n/a
04.09.19	48

Power change: the ERP will launch at 2.4W for NI Mux

4 September 2019

The LIMAVADY transmitter group, serving north west Northern Ireland

Limavady

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel					
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)	COM4 (SDN)	COM5 (ARQA)	COM6 (ARQB)
CD	B	Current	50	59	55	54	58	49
		04.09.19	41	44	47	40	43	46

Power change: None

Ballintoy

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
CD	B	Current	52	51	56
		04.09.19	39	42	45

Power change: None

Ballycastle

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
B	A	Current	45	42	39
		04.09.19	23	26	30

Power change: None

Buckna

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
B	A	Current	44	41	47
		04.09.19	29	31	37

Power change: None

Bushmills

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
B	A	Current	44	41	47
		04.09.19	29	31	37

Power change: None

Castleberg

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
CD	B	Current	54	58	49
		04.09.19	40	43	46

Power change: None

Claudy

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
CD	B	Current	57	53	60
		04.09.19	39	42	45

Power change: None

Glenelly Valley

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
A	A	Current	26	29	23
		04.09.19	26	30	23

Power change: None

Gortnageeragh

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
B	A	Current	45	42	39
		04.09.19	29	31	37

Power change: None

Londonderry

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
B	A	Current	44	41	47
		04.09.19	29	31	37

Power change: None

Plumbridge

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
CD	B	Current	54	58	49
		04.09.19	40	43	46

Power change: None

Strabane

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
B	K	Current	45	42	39+
		04.09.19	32	34	35

	RF Channel
	NI Mux
Current	n/a
04.09.19	40

Power change: the ERP will launch at 20W for NI Mux

5 September 2018

The DIVIS transmitter group, serving Belfast and the surrounding area

Bellair - further changes to occur in Q3 2019

Current Aerial Group	Future Aerial Group		RF Channel		
			PSB1 (BBCA)	PSB2 (D3&4)	PSB3 (BBCB)
CD	A	Current	56	48	52
		05.09.18	39	48	52

Power change: None