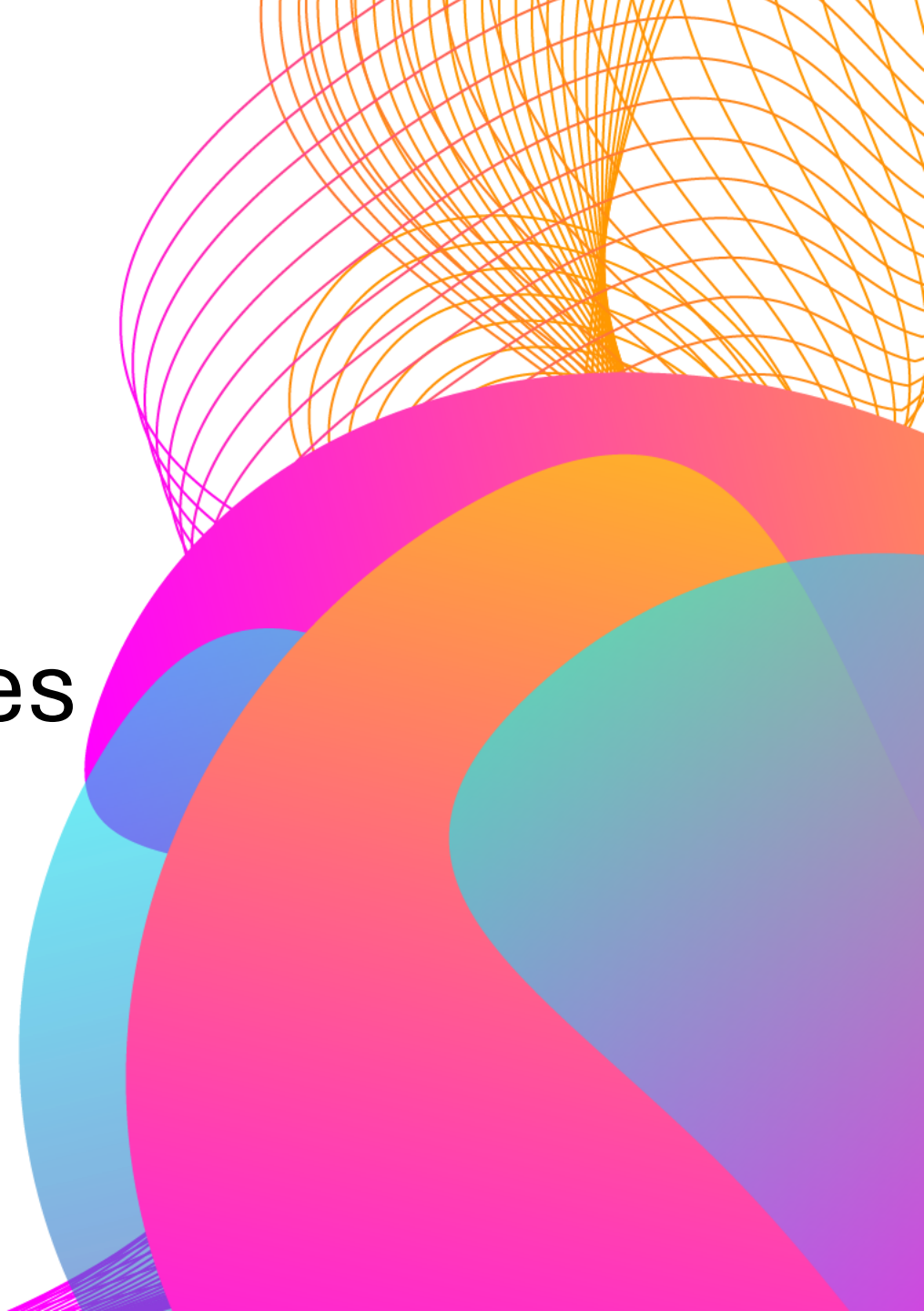




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# DSIT Spectrum Team and the Statement of Strategic Priorities



# DSIT SPECTRUM POLICY TEAM (WISC)



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# THE STATEMENT OF STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

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- Gives Ofcom context and guidance on the Government's policy priorities and desired outcomes in a number of areas
  - Ofcom must have regard to the Statement when exercising its regulatory functions relating to telecommunications, the management of the radio spectrum, and postal services.
  - The power for the Government to designate an SSP was introduced by the Digital Economy Act 2017. The 2019 SSP was the first time the Government exercised this power.
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# A STRATEGIC VISION

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- In April 2023, DSIT published a Wireless Infrastructure Strategy and Spectrum Statement.
  - The Spectrum Statement set out a new strategic vision and principles for spectrum policy, with a focus on innovation in the use and management of spectrum.
  - The WIS set out a policy framework to help us meet our national connectivity aims, including an ambition for the UK to have nationwide coverage of standalone 5G in all populated areas by 2030.
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# CONSISTENT PRINCIPLES



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- Spectrum is a strategic asset and an important enabler for a range of government policy objectives.
- Spectrum management should promote innovation and investment alongside consumer-focused outcomes.
- Spectrum management should ensure efficient and optimum use and be linked to actual usage with users empowered to make decisions where appropriate.
- Spectrum management should itself take best advantage of innovation as well as supporting innovation in the services which use spectrum.

