



## The Sandford St Martin Trust

### Sandford St Martin Trust suggested amendment to THE MEDIA BILL

(for Report stage, January 30, 2024)

#### Suggested amendment to:

Clause 1, page 3, line 11: leave out subsection (6) and insert—

“(6) The requirements in this subsection are that—

(a) the range of audiovisual content genres made available by the public service broadcasters (taken together) will include but not be limited to programmes about —

- (i) religion and other beliefs,
- (ii) science,
- (iii) culture and arts,
- (iv) social issues,
- (v) matters of international significance, and
- (vi) matters of specialist interest.

(b) there be a sufficient quantity and range of programmes within each genre.”

#### Member’s Explanatory Note:

This amendment would require Ofcom to report on whether public service broadcasters have made available an appropriate amount and range of programmes in named socially valuable public service genres, including programmes about religion and other beliefs which are currently at risk.