TL/2000/2461

APPLICATION NO: TL/2000/2461

LOCATION: Land At British Gas Compound Thames Valley Park Drive Reading

APPLICANT: Bt Cellnet

PROPOSAL: Proposed erection of 15 metre extendable and shareable telecommunications tower with antennae transmission dishes, equipment cabinets and fenced compound.

EARLIEST DATE FOR DECISION:

APPLICATION WILL HAVE EXPIRED ON: 20/11/00

CASE OFFICER: JOSS MILLER

SYSTEMS LTD

SOUTHPORT U.K. Tel.0704-26866 Fax.0704-25814
LONDON OFFICE Tel.071-377-1777 Fax.071-247-6181

Confirmed by fax 30/20

WOKINGHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACTS

REFUSAL OF PRIOR APPROVAL OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS NOTIFICATION

Mr W King
Spectrasite – Transco Ltd
3 The Quadrant
Coventry
CV1 2 DY

Notification No: TL/2000/2461

Parish: Earley

Proposal: PROPOSED ERECTION OF A 15 METRE EXTENDABLE AND SHARABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER WITH ANTENNAE, TRANSMISSION DISHES, EQUIPMENT CABINETS AND FENCED COMPOUND.

Location: LAND AT BRITISH GAS COMPOUND, THAMES VALLEY PARK DRIVE, EARLEY.

The Wokingham District Council in pursuance of their powers under Part 24 of the Town and Country (General Permitted Development) (Amendment) Order 1998 **REFUSES** prior approval for the above stated telecommunications equipment, the reasons for which are specified hereunder.

1. Reason: The proposed telecommunications mast is unacceptable due to its visual impact on the character of the surrounding area.

Date: 13 November 2000

Development Control Manager

Re cay.

Phone: (0118) 974 6428

Date: 1 December, 2000

Your Ref: BGP0352

My Ref: Ian Jordan – TL/2000/2461

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FAO. GORDON MOONEY

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BY FAX TO 02476 243635 AND POSTED

Dear Sir

Re: Prior determination application TL/2000/2461 - erection of one 15 metre mast at British Gas Compound, Thames Valley Park Drive, Earley.

I refer to your letter dated 29th November, 2000 regarding the above.

This application was **refused** on the 13th November, 2000.

A copy of the notice was faxed to your office and the original posted on the 13th November, 2000, I enclose copies of the fax confirmation record and decision notice for your information.

In light of the above I would advise that we would have objections to the implementation of the development and that no work at all should commence on site.

Yours faithfully

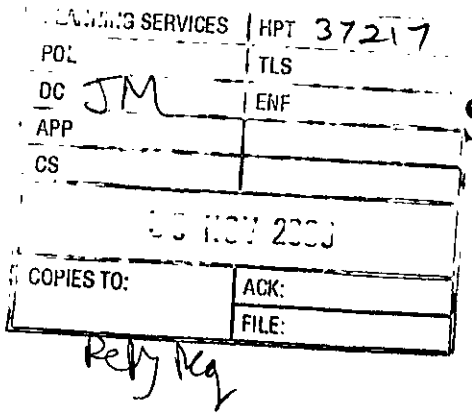
Mr I Jordan
Principal Planning Information & Support Officer

* * * COMMUNICATION RESULT REPORT (1.DEC.2000 16:06) * * *

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Development Control Manager
Wokingham District Council
Planning Services
PO Box 157
Shute End
Wokingham, Berkshire
RG40 1WR

29th November 2000

Your ref: JM/MLT/TL/2000/2461
Our ref: BGP0352
Attention of Joss Miller

Dear Ms Miller,

Determination whether prior approval is required to development proposed by telecommunications code system operator, BT Cellnet for a 15m mast with antennas, equipment cabins and fenced compound at Transco Gas Compound, Thames Valley Park Drive, Earley.

I refer to the above application and to your acknowledgement of the receipt and validity of the application dated 12th October 2000. I also refer to your letter of 30th October 2000 where you give notice that prior approval is required for siting and appearance of the development but do not give a determination to give or refuse approval.

As we have not received a determination to give or refuse approval before the expiry of the 42 day period we assume that you have no objection to the proposals and hereby notify you of our intention to proceed to implement the development. The 42 day period in this case ended at midnight on the 23rd November 2000. We look forward to your written confirmation that this is acceptable.

Yours sincerely

Gordon Mooney,
Planning Manager

3 The Quadrant, Coventry, CV1 2DY
Tel 02476 243634
Fax 02476 243635

WORK SHEET FOR : JOSS MILLER

Application Number : TL/2000/2461

Applicant : Bt Cellnet
Location : British Gas Compound Thames Valley Park Drive Reading

Proposal : Proposed erection of 15 metre extendable and shareable telecommunications tower with antennae transmission dishes, equipment cabinets and fenced compound.

Site Notice Displayed ? :

YES	NO	DATE
✓		23/10

Date of Neighbour Notifications : & 16/10

Date of Site Visit : 23/10

Date Registered :

Earliest Date for Decision :

Latest Consultation Date/Site Notice Expiry Date :

This application will have expired on: 20/11/00. You need to make a decision 1 day prior to this date for this application to count as determined in less than 8 weeks.

Consultation Responses :

Highways - No objection
Environmental Health - No objection
Property - No objection
Neighbour (from Nursery) Object re health

Planning Issues :

Effect on Street scene & neighbouring properties WBC.
Effect on street scene.

Application Number: TL/2000/2461

Appraisal :

This application is for a 15m extendable lattice mast 15m in height with antennae & equipment cabin in a compound.

Neighbours.
This application is at least 70m from the nearest place of work. There is a childrens nursery approx 120m from the proposed mast. However, these places of work (and the nursery are considered a sufficient distance from the mast for any impact to be minimised.

Street scene.
The mast is 15m high and is of a lattice structure, situated approx 30m from the highway. The landscaping & boundaries are open and the development would be considered visually intrusive on the street scene. Although this area is an industrial estate, the buildings are modern and of a high standard of design. Therefore the prominent location of the mast would unacceptably detract from, and would be visually intrusive in the area.

3.0m Distance to boundary

Recomendation : Approval: ☐ **Refusal:** ☑
(tick appropriate box)

Application Number TL/2000/2461
Conditions/Reasons for Refusal

No	Std Con	Std Reas	Non Std Conditions / Reasons for Refusal
			The proposed mast, due to its' bulk ~~[illegible]~~ massing, and siting, would be visually intrusive to the detriment of the street scene & surrounding area.

RECORD OF SITE VISIT

SITE ADDRESS: Land At British Gas Compound Thames Valley Park Drive Reading

APPLICATION NUMBER: TL/2000/2461

OFFICER: JOSS MILLER

DATE OF SITE VISIT:.....

1 SITE/STATUTORY NOTICE DISPLAYED ?

2. DESCRIPTION OF SURROUNDINGS

3. DESCRIPTION OF SITE/BUILDING

4. RELATIONSHIP TO ADJOINING PROPERTIES

5. SITE CONSTRAINTS

TREES

ACCESS/PARKING

LEVELS

BOUNDARY TREATMENT

OTHERS

FROM: JOSS MILLER

RECEIVED
19 OCT 2000

DATE: 13 October 2000

EARLEY

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~~TWYFORD~~ PARISH CONSULTATION SHEET

Application Number: TL/2000/2461

Proposal: Proposed erection of 15 metre extendable and shareable ~~telecommunications~~ tower with antennae transmission dishes, equipment cabinets and fenced compound.

Site Address: Land At British Gas Compound Thames Valley Park Drive Reading

Applicant: Bt Cellnet

Your observations are required in respect of this application by 6th November, 2000.

Whilst it is acknowledged that, in order to try to continually improve service provision on the mobile telecommunications network, there is a need for additional antennae to be installed, the Town Council remains concerned about the health implications of this type of equipment.

Whilst it is acknowledged that there are no residential properties in the immediate vicinity, the proposed installation site is near to offices and to the David Lloyd Leisure Centre, where staff, in particular, will be exposed to any emissions from this equipment for possibly 8+ hours a day. Councillors felt, therefore, that consideration should be given to this equipment being installed in a more isolated location.

SIGNED: _____ DATE: 16 NOV 2000

Clerk To Parish/Town Council.

WOKINGHAM D.C. DEVELOPMENT CONTROL 42 DAYS

Start date: 09 OCT 2000	
Officer: JM	Application No. TL/2000/2461

Map No. 36 Site .....
Easting: ..... Flood Pln .....
Northing: ..... Mineral .....

Level: ☐ Sub Committee ☑ Delegated ☐ Sec. State
☐ Incorrect Fee ☐ Invalid ☐ PD

Description:
(TL) APPLICATION FOR PRIOR DETERMINATION PROPOSED ERECTION OF 15M EXTENDABLE AND SHAREABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER WITH ANTENNA TRANSMISSION DISHES EQUIPMENT CABINETS & FENCED COMPOUND

Location: BRITISH GAS COMPOUND THAMES VALLEY PARK DRIVE

Parish: EARLEY Ward: Whitegates

Applicant: BT CELLNET

Fee Received 35-00 (5) Required ..... Additional ..... Refund .....

Enforcement Section to be notified ☐ tick if required

Additional information required for validation

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APPLN NO. _____

ACTION REQUIRED BY DEVELOPMENT CONTROL

Conservation Area .....

Listed Building 1 2 2*

Advertisement Required .....

Date Site Notice Sent : 16.10.2000 17.10.2000 Parish Council Informed - YES / NO

INTERNAL CONSULTATIONS

Building Control .....
Landscape .....
Trees .....
Conservation Officer .....
Environmental Health ✓ .....
Housing .....
Leisure & Cultural services .....
Public Rights of Way .....
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Minerals (BABTIE) .....
Archaeological Site (BABTIE) : .....
Education .....
Social Services ✓ .....
Highways .....

EXTERNAL CONSULTATIONS

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British Gas .....
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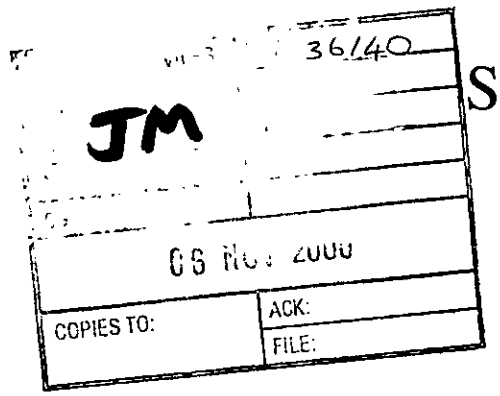
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NEIGHBOURS:

See map

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Development Control Manager
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Planning Services
PO BOX 157
Shute End
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RG40 1WR

2nd November 2000

Attention of Mr John Mitchell

Your ref: JM/MLT/TL/2000/2461
Our ref: BGP0352

Dear Mr Mitchell,

Re:Determination whether prior approval is required to development proposed by telecommunications code system operator.
A 15m mast with antennas, equipment cabins and fenced compound at British Gas Compound, Thames Valley Park Drive, Earley (TL/2000/2461)

I refer to the above application submitted to you on 6th October 2000 and to your faxed letter of 30th October.

It may be possible to revise the location of the proposal but would appreciate if you could indicate on the plan submitted, where your preferred location would be.

Whilst this tower is being installed for BT Cellnet it can be extended by 5 or 10 metres to accommodate the sharing of up to four operators depending on the amount of equipment required by each operator. If it were proposed to extend the mast above 15 metres an application for planning consent would be made.

I hope that this will enable you to determine the application

Yours sincerely

Gordon Mooney
Planning Manager

3 The Quadrant, Coventry, CV1 2DY
Tel 02476 243634
Fax 02476 243635

Tel. 0118 974 6463 (Direct Line)

Date. 30 October 2000

My ref. JM/MLT/TL/2000/2461

Your ref.

Mr W King
Spectrasite-Transco Ltd
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E-mail:

Dear Mr King,

RE: PROPOSED ERECTION OF A 15 METRE EXTENDABLE AND SHAREABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER WITH ANTENNAE, TRANSMISSION DISHES, EQUIPMENT CABINETS AND FENCED COMPOUND AT BRITISH GAS COMPOUND, THAMES VALLEY PARK DRIVE, EARLEY. (TL/2000/2461)

I refer to your notification for a telecommunications 15 metre high trellis tower with antennae transmission dishes, equipment cabinets and fenced compound.

I write to formally advise you that the Local Planning Authority requires prior approval of this scheme, in view of its proximity to places of work.

I would be grateful if you could advise me in writing within ten days of this letter if you are able to revise the scheme and resite it to an alternative location, which would be significantly further away from any sensitive issues.

I would also like some clarification regarding the fact that the mast has been described as 'extendable'. If the mast exceeds a height of 15 metres a full planning application will be required.

Yours sincerely

JOHN MITCHELL
Development Control Manager

HIGHWAYS CONSULTATION SHEET

From: Joss Miller **Date:** 17 October 2000

Application Number: TL/2000/2461

Proposal: Proposed erection of 15 metre extendable and shareable telecommunications tower with antennae transmission dishes, equipment cabinets and fenced compound.

Parish: EARLEY TOWN

Site Address:
Land At British Gas Compound, Thames Valley Park Drive, , Reading.

Applicant:
Bt Cellnet C/O Spectrasite-Transco Ltd.

Your observations are required in respect of this application within **7 days** of the above date.

✓ below as applicable;

1) ☐ Recommend refusal for the reason(s) **stated below**;
2) ☐ Recommend approval but with condition(s) & reason(s) **stated below**;
3) ☑ Recommend approval with **no** condition(s) or reason(s).

NO HIGHWAY OBJECTIONS.

Signed: _____ **Print name:** Adam Coggins

20/10/00.

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WOKINGHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL

MEMORANDUM

From: Joanne Ellis, Environmental Health

My Ref: JPE/JS//20002910

To: Joss Miller, Planning

Your Ref: TL/2000/2461

Date: 24 October 2000

PROPOSED ERECTION OF 15 METRE EXTENDABLE AND SHAREABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER WITH ANTENNAE TRANSMISSION DISHES, EQUIPMENT CABINETS AND FENCED COMPOUND

LOCATION: LAND AT BRITISH GAS COMPOUND, THAMES VALLEY PARK DRIVE, READING

I have evaluated the above proposals and have no objections to planning consent but have the following comments to make in relation to this proposal:

There have been questions raised as to the possibility of adverse health effects from electromagnetic radiation from telecommunication base stations and their positioning in relation to residential development and, in particular schools.

The National Radiological Protection Board (NRPB) was established by the Radiological Protection Act 1970 and is responsible for conducting research and providing advice and services for protection against ionising and non-ionising radiation's in the U.K. They are continually reviewing the vast body of world-wide research on the subject.

The NRPB's current advice is that there is no proven human health risks from these installations. This position is confirmed by the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health and pressure groups such as Powerwatch network . There are however countries and areas of the world where precautionary measures have been adopted , e.g. New Zealand Ministry of Education has issued a policy statement preventing cellular phone antennas from being sited at state schools in the future.

Further research is currently being undertaken into possible health implications although to date no definitive statement can be made.

The NRPB have set up an Advisory Group to look into this matter. This Group has concluded, in reference to buffer zones for sensitive developments, that there is neither a clear basis from which to derive a meaningful assessment of risk , nor is there any indication of how putative risk might vary with exposure. Thus there is no scientific justification for seeking to reduce exposure in these situations and that a decision to do so must be based on social and economic rather than scientific grounds.

The Chartered Institute of Environmental Health's current policy is as follows :

"The CIEH with regard to overhead and buried high voltage power lines, electricity sub-stations, wind generators, microwave and radio transmitters, mobile telephone base stations and other similar installations emitting electro magnetic radiation (EMR) in close proximity to dwellings considers :

a) That the effect on human health based on current scientific evidence is insignificant and not proven.
b) That there is no convincing national or international scientific research linking Electromagnetic Radiation and deterioration in human health.
c) That a precautionary approach to restricting building or access near such installations (apart from physical safety barriers) cannot be sustained on health grounds alone and if adopted must be based on access, amenity, and public acceptability considerations.
d) That local authorities should adopt a policy on how to address questions from the public on Electromagnetic radiation from such sources."

Please contact me if you require further information.

Joanne Ellis
Senior Environmental Health Officer
Environmental Protection & Housing

[redacted] FROM:
Property Dept

TO: [redacted]: Joss Miller



Date: 17 October 2000

Application Number: TL/2000/2461

Proposal: Proposed erection of 15 metre extendable and shareable telecommunications tower with antennae transmission dishes, equipment cabinets and fenced compound..

Site Address:
Land At British Gas Compound, Thames Valley Park Drive, , Reading.

Applicant:
Bt Cellnet C/O Spectrasite-Transco Ltd.

Your observations are required in respect of this application within **7 days** of the above date.

This section has no objections to the above application.

Sarah Hunter
Property Section.

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Planning Application

Received by Wokingham District Council

Application No: TL/2000/2461

Proposal:
Proposed erection of 15 metre extendable and shareable telecommunications tower with antennae transmission dishes, equipment cabinets and fenced compound.

Location:
Land At British Gas Compound Thames Valley Park Drive Reading

The application is available for inspection at Wokingham District Council's offices during the following times:

PLANNING DEPARTMENT, SHUTE END, WOKINGHAM TEL (0118) 974 6428
8.30 - 5.00 Monday - Thursday & 8.30 - 4.00 Friday

WOODLEY LIBRARY HEADLEY ROAD WOODLEY (9.30am - 7.00pm Mon, Thurs & Fri. 9.30am - 5.00pm Tues, 9.30am - 1.00pm Saturday. closed all day Wednesday). If you intend to view this application at Woodley Library (see details above) please allow 4 days from the date of this notice for delivery of plans.

Comments should be sent in writing QUOTING THE APPLICATION NUMBER to the Case Officer JOSS MILLER P.O. Box 157 Council Offices, Shute End, Wokingham Berkshire, RG40 1WR to arrive within 24 days of the date of this notice. Written comments submitted will become available for public inspection.

In view of the very large number of planning applications and letters of comment received, it will not normally be possible for an individual reply to observations made. However any comments will be taken into account when the application is determined and you will be notified of the decision.

Head Planning and Transportation

DATE: 20 October 2000

Tel: (0118) 974 6463

Date:

My ref: TL/2000/2461

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CONFIDENTIAL

Councillor J Lissaman
46 Palmerstone Road
Earley
RG6 1HL

Dear Councillor

Application Number: TL/2000/2461
Land At British Gas Compound, Thames Valley Park Drive, , Reading.
Proposed erection of 15 metre extendable and shareable telecommunications tower with antennae transmission dishes, equipment cabinets and fenced compound.

I write to let you know that the above mentioned application has been recommended for APPROVAL: ☐ REFUSAL: ☐ under delegated powers.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact **Joss Miller** on **(0118) 974 6463**. If you then feel the application needs to be transferred to the next available Development Control Committee for decision please fill in the form below.
This form must be received no later than _____

Yours faithfully

John Mitchell
Development Control Manager

LISTING FORM
Case officer: **Joss Miller** Application Number: **TL/2000/2461**
Land At British Gas Compound, Thames Valley Park Drive, , Reading.
Proposed erection of 15 metre extendable and shareable telecommunications tower with antennae transmission dishes, equipment cabinets and fenced compound.

Transfer: Yes ☐ No ☐
Reason for Transfer:
_____
_____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Councillor J Lissaman

NB. It would be helpful for speedy decision making if you could respond, even if you do not wish this application to be transferred.

Tel: (0118) 974 6463

Date:

My ref: TL/2000/2461

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CONFIDENTIAL

Councillor G Storry
50 Church Road
Earley
RG6 1HT

Dear Councillor

Application Number: TL/2000/2461
Land At British Gas Compound, Thames Valley Park Drive, , Reading.
Proposed erection of 15 metre extendable and shareable telecommunications tower with antennae transmission dishes, equipment cabinets and fenced compound..

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Yours faithfully

John Mitchell
Development Control Manager

WOKINGHAM D.C. DEVELOPMENT CONTROL 42 DAYS

Start date: 09 OCT 2000	Map No. 36 Site .....
Officer: JM | Application No. TL/2000/2461	Easting: ..... Flood Pln .....
	Northing: ..... Mineral .....

Level: ☐ **Sub Committee** ☑ **Delegated** ☐ **Sec. State**

☐ **Incorrect Fee** ☐ **Invalid** ☐ **PD**

Description:

(TL) APPLICATION FOR PRIOR DETORMINATION PROPOSED ERECTION OF 15M EXTENDABLE AND SHAREABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER WITH ANTENNAE TRANSMISSION DISHES, EQUIPMENT CABINETS & FENCED COMPOUND

Location: BRITISH GAS COMPOUND THAMES VALLEY PARK DRIVE

Parish: EARLEY Ward: Whitegates

Applicant: BT CELLNET

Fee Received 35-00 (5) Required ..... Additional ..... Refund .....

Enforcement Section to be notified ☐ tick if required

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APPLN NO. _____

ACTION REQUIRED BY DEVELOPMENT CONTROL

Conservation Area .....

Listed Building 1 2 2*

Advertisement Required .....

Date Site Notice Sent : 16.10.2000 PB Parish Council Informed - YES / NO

INTERNAL CONSULTATIONS

Building Control .....
Landscape .....
Trees .....
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Environmental Health .....
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Leisure & Cultural services .....
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NEIGHBOURS: See map

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Site Notice 09.OCT.2000* 2461

Proposed Telecommunications Mast and Equipment Development at :

British Gas Compound **THAMES VALLEY READING**

Grid Ref 474379, 174247

I give notice that SpectraSite-Transco Communications Limited on behalf of BT Cellnet

is applying to Wokingham Distrcit Council Under paragraph A.2 (4A) of Part 24 of Schedule

2 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 for its determination as to whether the prior approval of the authority will be required to the siting and appearance of a 15m Telecommunications Mast and all necessary apparatus.

Under Part 24 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995, Council are allowed 42 days from the date of application to consider whether prior approval will be required to siting and appearance of the development proposed and if so to grant or refuse such approval and to serve that decision upon the applicant.

Members of the public may inspect copies of the application and accompanying plans at

Wokingham Distrcit Council

Individuals and organisations wishing to make representation about the siting and appearance of the proposed development are invited to forward their views in writing no later than 21days after posting to:

Council, Department of Planning

Wokingham Distrcit Council

Planning Department

Council Offices

RG40 1BN

Clearly stating that the comments are being forwarded in relation to the proposed development of a ground based mast at :

THAMES VALLEY PARK

BERKSHIRE

Bill King

Signed On behalf of SpectraSite Transco



Dated: Friday, October 06, 2000

NB For enquires relating to any issues regarding this site please call 02476 243 634

42 DAYS

SpectraSite B
Transco

09 OCT 2000 09.OCT.2000* 2461

Our Ref: BGP352

The Chief Planning Officer

Wokingham Distrcit Council
Planning Department
Council Offices
Wokingham
RG40 1BN

Friday, October 06, 2000

Dear Sir or Madam, **By Recorded Delivery**

RE: 15m Extendable and Shareable telecommunications tower:

British Gas Compound , THAMES VALLEY PARK , READING ,

We act on behalf of BT Cellnet I write to give formal notice of their intention to install telecommunications equipment at the above location.

BT Cellnet are a licensed telecommunications code operator under the Telecommunications Act 1984. In accordance with part 24 A.2 (4) (b) (ii) of The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 I request a determination as to whether the prior approval of your authority will be required for the proposal.

The equipment proposed can be described as: A 15m extendable and shareable telecommunications tower complete with antennae, transmission dishes, equipment cabinets and a fenced compound. Please find enclosed drawings showing the scheme and a location plan.

In order to assist you in considering this proposal I would comment as follows:

Whilst this tower is initially being installed for BT Cellnet it can be extend by 5 - 10m to accommodate the sharing of up to four operators depending on the amount of equipment required by each operator.

The new 3rd generation telecommunications networks for which licences have just been granted will require upwards of 100,000 sites to satisfy the needs of all five networks. This compares with the 30,000 currently in existence.

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The reduction of the number of new installations by promoting the sharing of masts is clearly important in reducing the overall environmental impact of the new networks.

Although this notice is given so as to serve the needs of BT Cellnet , the business of Spectrasite Transco is the ownership and development of shared telecommunication structures. We are not only willing to provide space on any of our structures, but if clearance is granted for this particular site, will actively promote its availability to other operators.

Please find enclosed the relevant fee for this notification £35.

I look forward to hearing from you with your determination. In the meantime please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries or wish to discuss matters.

Yours sincerely



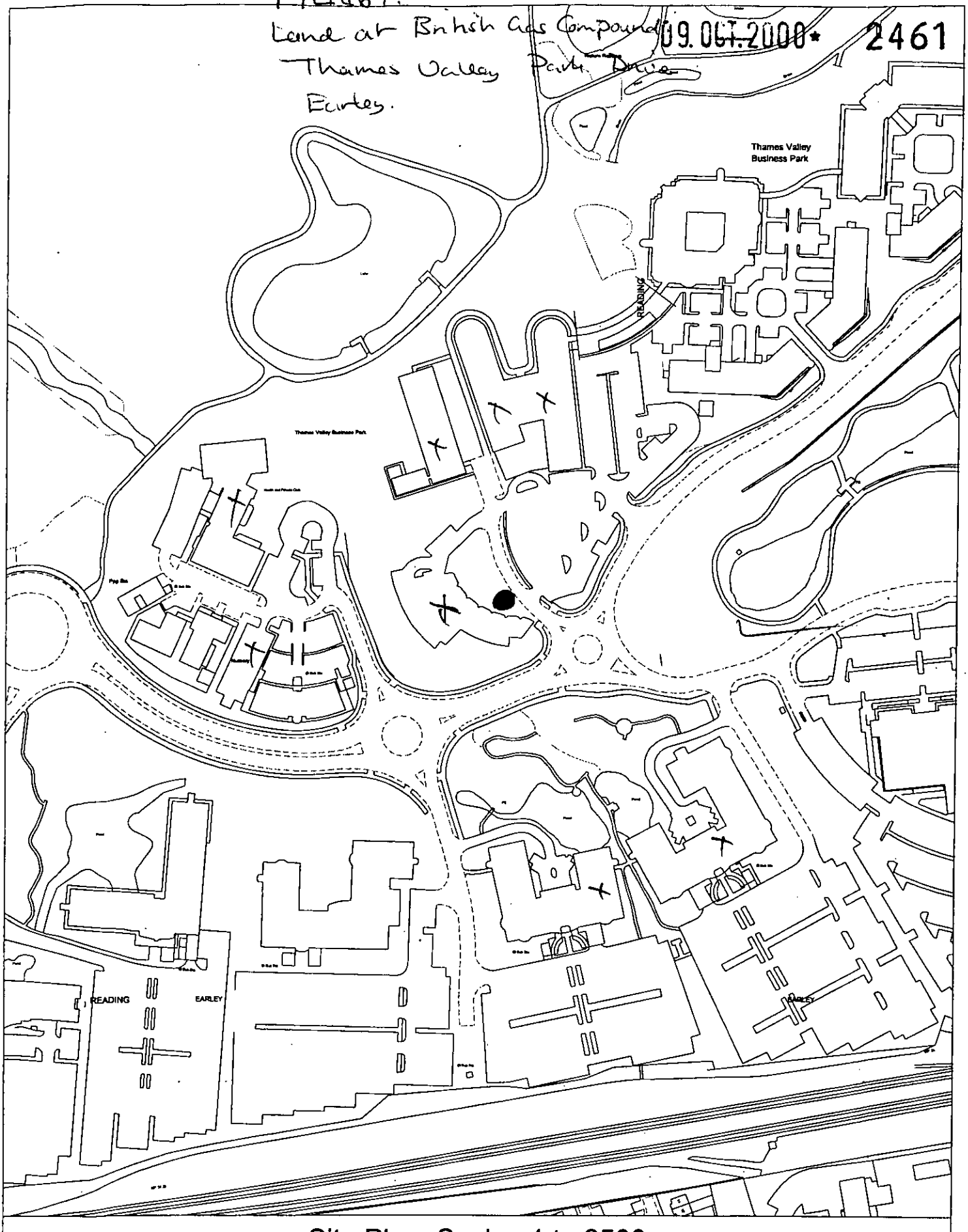
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