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APPLICATION NO:
TL/2001/5320

LOCATION:
Junction Of Nine Mile Ride & Sandhurst Road, Finchampstead Wokingham.

APPLICANT:
Orange P C S Ltd C/O Patrick Farfan Associates Ltd

PROPOSAL:
Proposed erection of 15 metre high micro cell column with 1 dual polar omni antenna plus equipment cabinet.

EARLIEST DATE FOR DECISION: **21/12/2001**

APPLICATION WILL HAVE EXPIRED ON:
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CASE OFFICER: **Natalie Brown**

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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACTS

APPROVAL OF PRIOR APPROVAL OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS NOTIFICATION

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Notification No: TL/2001/5320

Parish: Finchampstead

Proposal: Proposed erection of 15m high microcell column with 1 dual polar omni antenna plus equipment cabin. This is to be sited on the junction of Nine Mile Ride/ Sandhurst Road.

Location: Junction of Nine Mile Ride and Sandhurst Road, Finchampstead

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

Reasons:

1. No development shall take place until full details of both hard and soft landscape works have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority and these works shall be carried out as approved.

2. All planting, seeding or turfing comprised in the approved details of landscaping shall be carried out in the first planting and seeding seasons (1 November - 31 March) following the first occupation of the buildings or the completion of the development, whichever is the sooner; and any trees or plants which within a period of 5 years from the completion of the landscaping die, are removed or become dangerous, damaged or diseased shall be replaced in the next planting season with others of similar size and species.

T. C Watson

Development Control Manager

Date: 11/1/02

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Date: 18 February 2002
My ref: NB/MLT/TL/2001/5320

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Dear Mr Philips,

APPLICATION: TL/2001/5320 – 15M HIGH MICROCELL MAST
SITE: JUNCTION OF NINE MILE RIDE AND SANDHURST ROAD, FINCHAMPSTEAD

I refer to your telephone conversation with Natalie Brown of 30 January 2001 and your letter received on the 6 February 2002 with reference to the above.

I can confirm that the landscaping conditions attached to the prior approval notice (dated 11/1/02) would not require soft landscaping to be provided, in view of the site circumstances.

The condition would be deemed to be satisfied provided that the mast is painted in the following colour to match the colour of the lampposts within the District: BS 4800 23 B21 and that the equipment cabin is painted a colour such as dark forest green.

I trust this advice is of use to you and should you wish to discuss any matter further please do not hesitate to contact Natalie Brown.

Yours sincerely

MLT

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5th February 2002

Dear Miss Brown,

Proposed ORANGE PCS Ltd. Installation at:

Junction of A321 Sandhurst Road and Nine Mile Ride, Wokingham, Berkshire. RG40.

Further to our telephone conversation on the 30th January 2002, I write to confirm the main points of our discussion.

Approval was granted to the development subject to conditions relating to the landscaping of the proposed development. After further investigation by yourself you indicated that the council would be prepared to withdraw the initial conditions imposed subject to Orange PCS agreeing to the painting of the proposed column and equipment cabinet.

I can confirm that Orange PCS are prepared to paint the column and equipment cabinet and propose to use the colour BS 381c 210 SKY. I would be most grateful therefore if you could confirm in writing that this colour is satisfactory and that the original conditions are now deleted.

Please do not hesitate to contact me on the above office number if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely

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Dear Mr Phillips

SUBMISSION OF DETAILS OF COLOUR OF PROPOSED TELECOMMUNICATIONS MAST AT THE JUNCTION OF READING ROAD AND OLD FOREST ROAD, WINNERSH

Further to your letters of 14 December 2001 and 4 January 2002, regarding approval of the colour of the proposed mast, to comply with condition (1) of appeal decision APP/X0360/A/01/1068473, following discussions with Dave Halley in the Highways Section, I can confirm that lampposts in the vicinity are painted in BS 4800 12 B21 and this colour would, therefore, be considered acceptable.

If you require any further advice on this matter, please contact Emy Circuit on 0118 974 6479.

Yours sincerely

MLT

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Principal Development Control Officer

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Proposed ORANGE PCS Ltd. Installation at:

Junction of A321 Sandhurst Road and Nine Mile Ride, Wokingham, Berkshire. RG40.

Dear Natalie,

Thank you for your correspondence of 28th November 2001.

Please find enclosed the returned site notice for application TL/2001/5320. I believe that this has been forwarded to me in error. The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Amendment) (England) Order 2001 (Schedule 2 Part 24) states that the applicant is not required to display the site notice but rather it is the duty of the planning authority.

Please do not hesitate in contact me if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely

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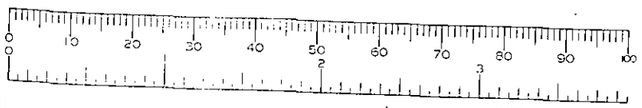
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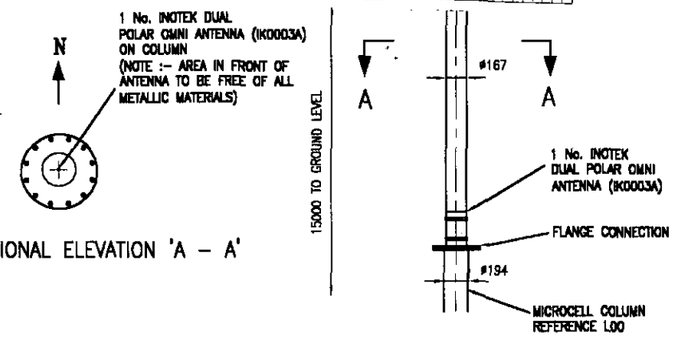
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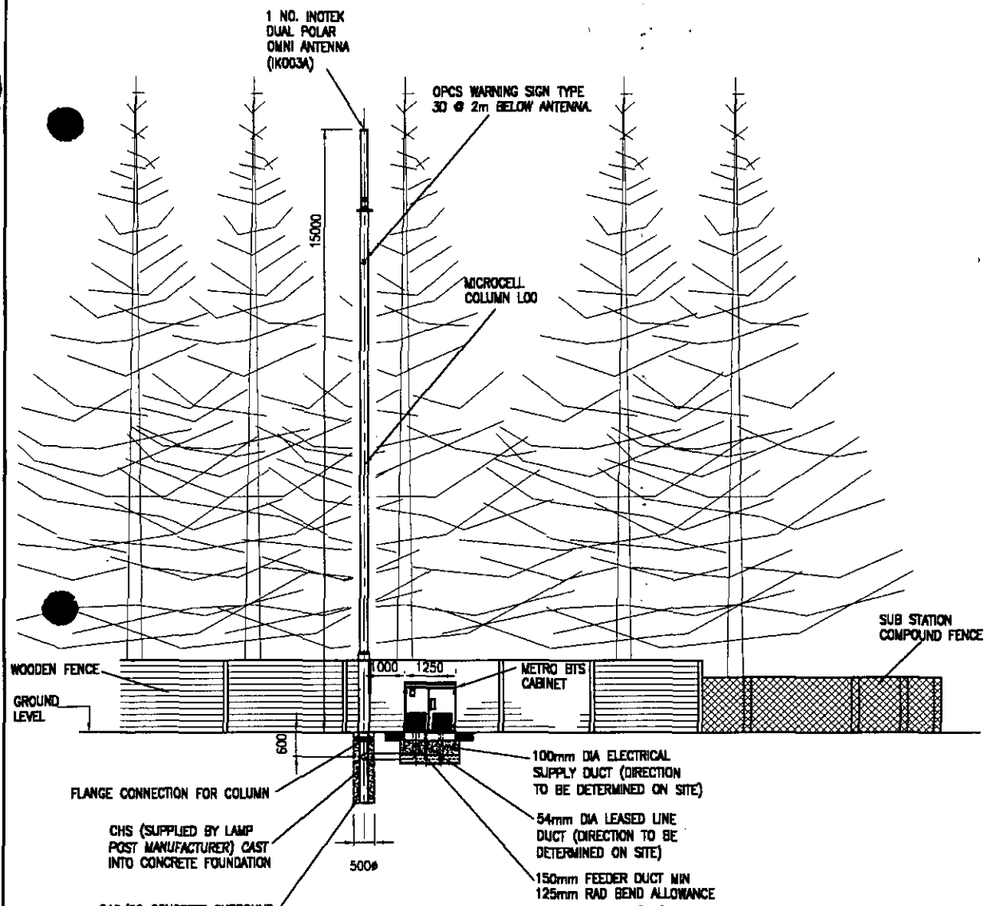


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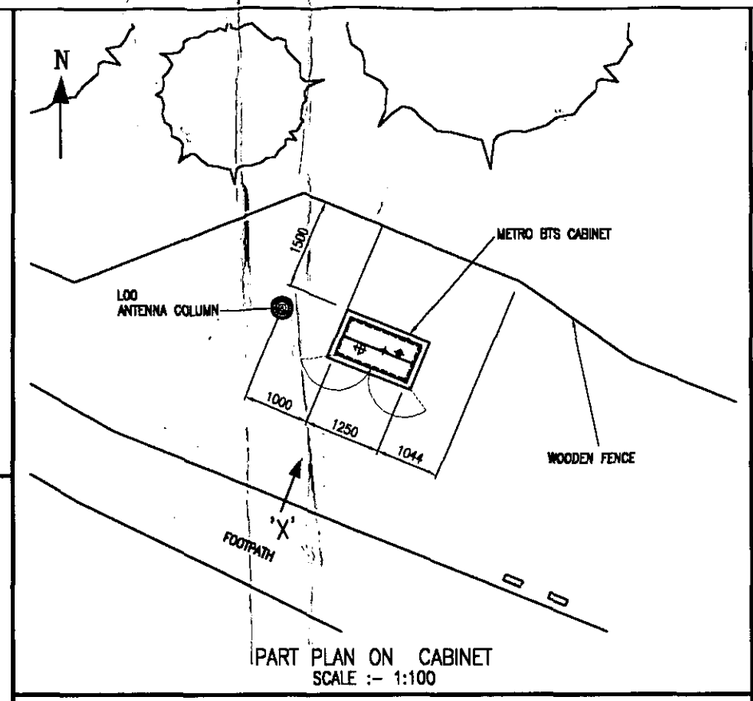


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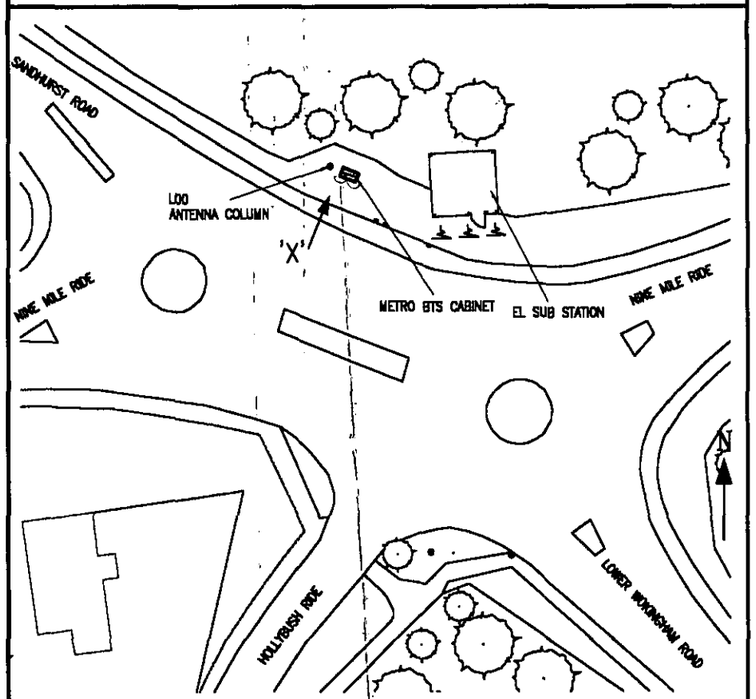
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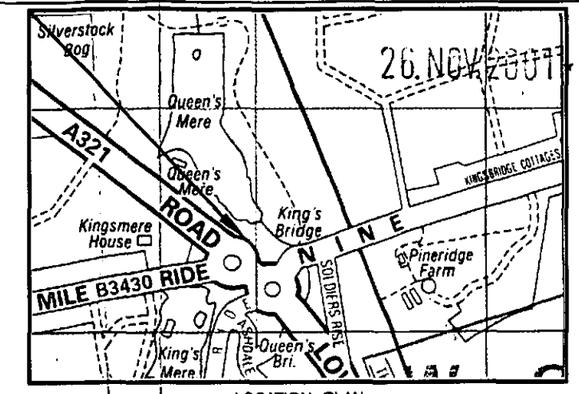
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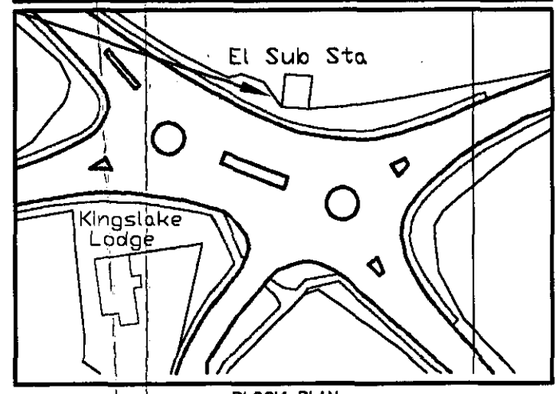


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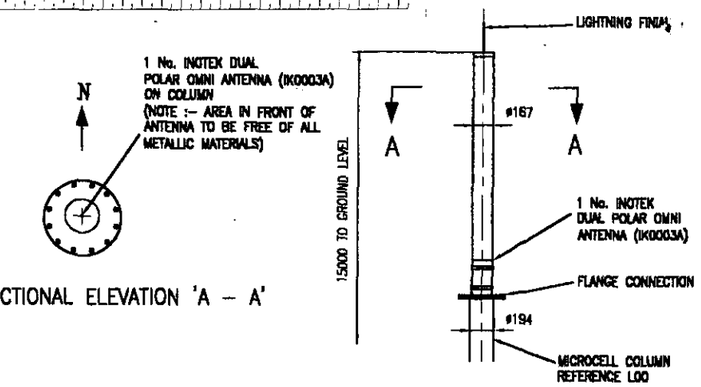
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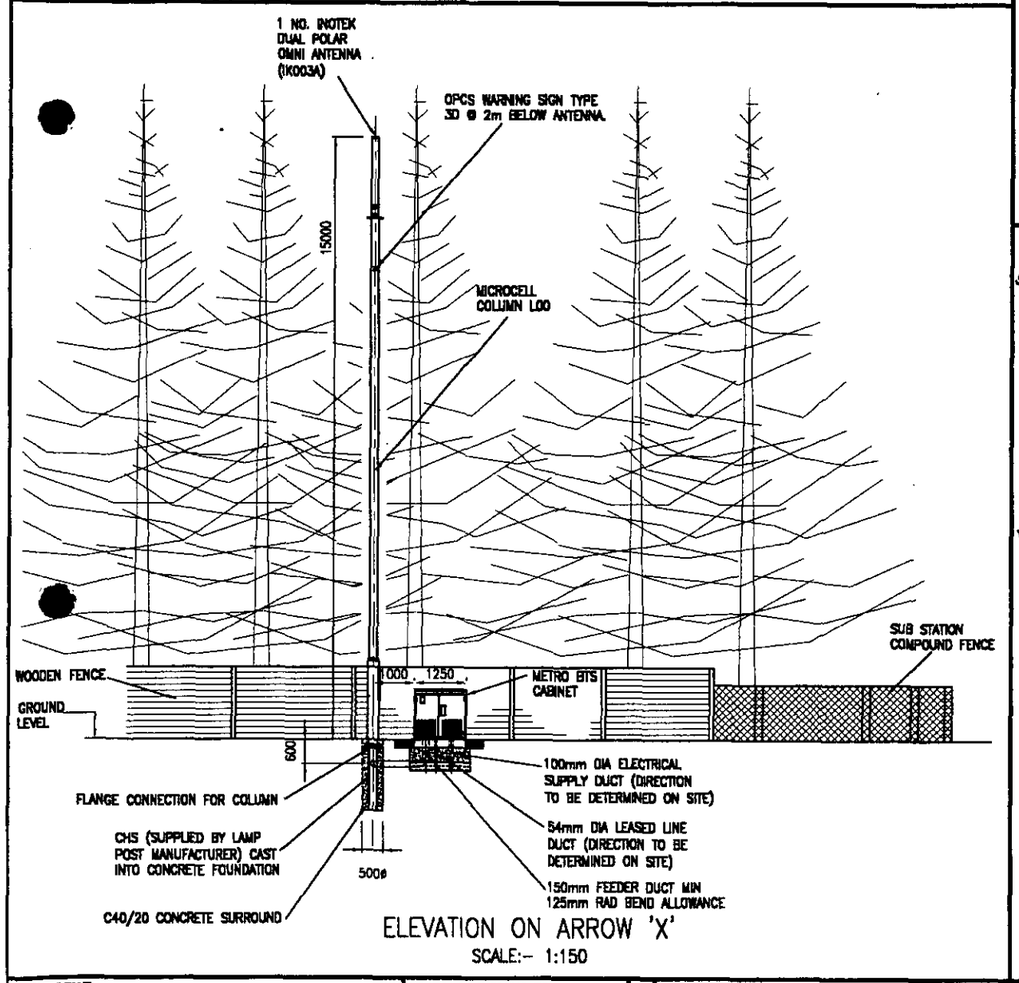
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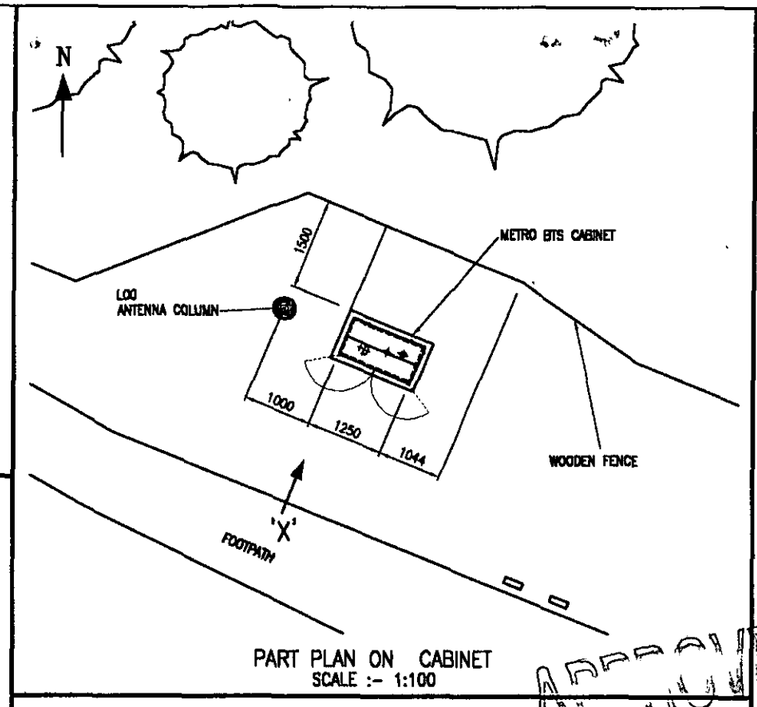


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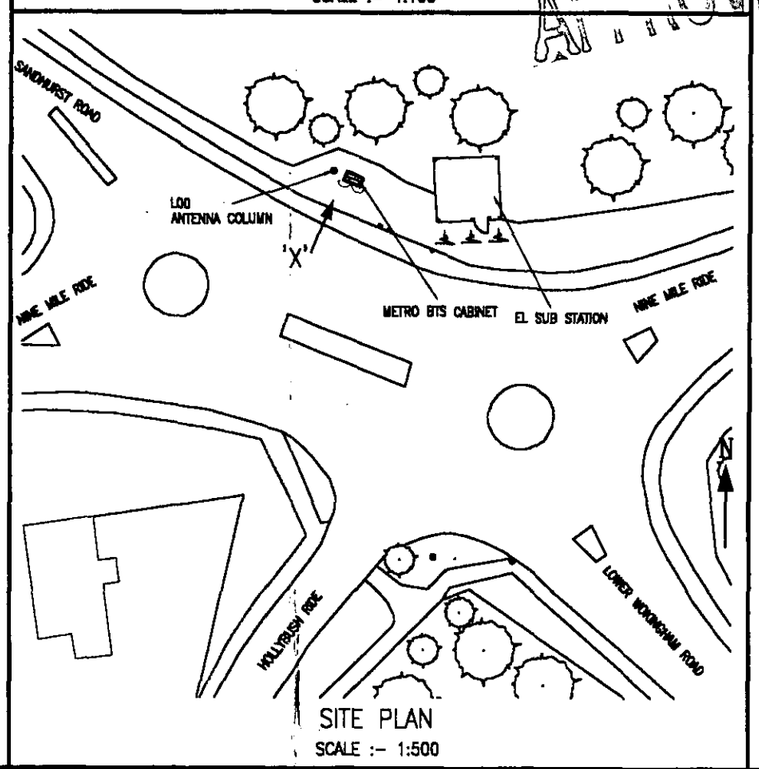
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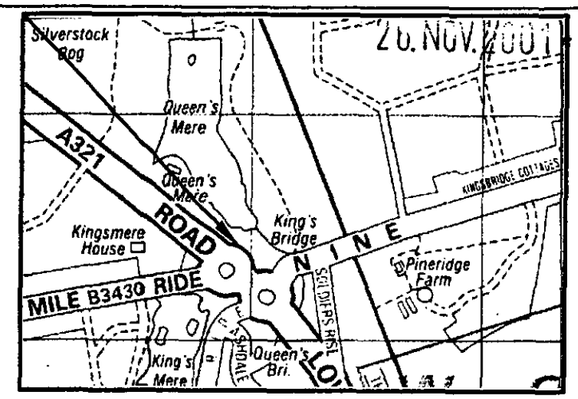
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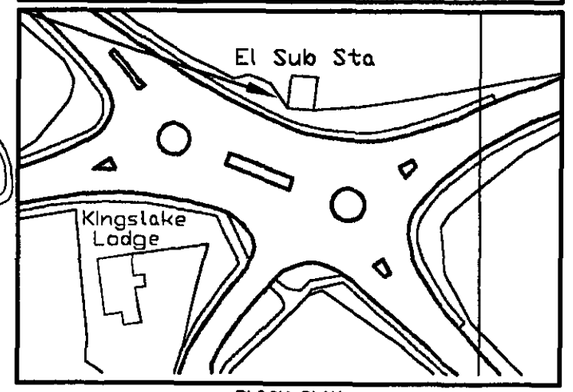


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Technical Summary

Dear Mr Phillips

Please find enclosed with this brief technical summary the following documentation in support of Orange PCS's proposals to provide mobile phone coverage to the A321, B3430, and to the residential areas off Hollybush Ride, Soldiers Rise, and The Brambles, via the siting of a PCN radio base station in the form of a lamp-post installation sited on highways land central to the target area:

1. A3 Coverage Drive entitled "BRK7102 Coverage Drive"
2. A3 Coverage Drive entitled "BRK7102 Two Colour Plot – In Car Coverage"
3. A3 Coverage Drive entitled "BRK7102 Two Colour Plot – In Building Coverage"
4. A3 Computer Prediction entitled "BRK7102 Site Alone"

As a licensed telecommunications code systems operator under the Telecommunications Act 1984, Orange PCS has a principal duty to provide mobile radio telecommunications services.

The importance of telecommunications is such that the Secretary of State has issued separate Planning Policy Guidance specifically to facilitate the growth of telecommunications infrastructure. As an indication of the importance the government attaches to telecommunications, PPG8 Supporting Guidance states in its very first line that, *"Modern telecommunications are an essential and beneficial element in the life of the local community and in the national economy."*

Although professional and business usage has been significant from the inception of mobile telephony, social and consumer usage is now a key growth area. A recent OFTEL survey shows that 67% of adults claimed to personally own or use a mobile phone (an increase of 62% from

November 2000). A further 8% who do not personally use a mobile claim to live in a home with at least one mobile handset.

The survey also shows that mobile penetration amongst the UK population (adults and children) has risen by 6 million since November 2000 to 40 million subscribers by January 2001, and 16% of adults consider their mobile to be their main method of making and receiving calls.

A previous OFTEL Mobile Market Review states that competition in the mobile industry has reduced prices by 24% since January 1999.

OFTEL also monitors and endorses the performance of the licensed operators by monitoring each individual operator's quality of service. In a press release, dated October 1999, OFTEL explains how call connection and call completion rates are monitored, this relating directly to the extent of good quality coverage and capacity. This press release also explains that OFTEL assesses an individual operator's quality of service by measuring call success rates, defined as the ability to initiate, hold and complete a two-minute call for 95% of the time.

Paragraph 7 of PPG8 and Paragraph 54 of PPG8 Supporting Guidance clearly stress the need for planning authorities to appreciate the technical aspects of telecommunications development, and I will endeavour to assist within the confines of this technical summary.

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Orange mobile radio services operate in the UHF band at frequencies around 1800MHz. At these frequencies, at the low power emitted by handsets and base stations, radio signals do not travel particularly far. Typical distances are less than a couple of kilometres in suburban areas for macrocellular sites, and a few hundred metres for microcellular sites.

UHF systems also require an essentially line-of-sight radio path and are subject to significant losses due to trees and buildings, both of which can dramatically reduce the strength of a signal. Further information on signal propagation can be found in *Telecommunications Prior Approval Procedures* - Code of Best Practice, pages 12-14.

The RG40 3 postcode, in which the application site lies, has some 615 registered subscribers on the Orange network: 197 as contract customers, and 418 as pre-pay customers. Given the importance of the A321 and B3430 as linking roads, it is reasonable to surmise that a greater number of Orange subscribers will visit or pass through the area on a regular basis.

As noted earlier, OFTEL assesses an individual operator's quality of service by measuring call success rates, defined as the ability to initiate, hold and complete a two-minute call for 95% of the time. In order to achieve this confidence level, Orange requires the following signal strength levels to be available under open conditions:

For service within a car	>=-81dBm
For service to domestic buildings	>=-75dBm

In order to assess the extent of existing network coverage, Orange makes extensive use of drive trial evidence.

Drive trials are real-time field surveys which allow accurate pictures of existing coverage to be gained.

There are two main kinds of trial: a coverage drive and a propagation trial. Both surveys involve travelling through a target area and recording the signal strengths present at the time in dBm.

This data is then tabulated and represented as a series of coloured dots on a map, with each colour representing a specified signal strength range. Yellow, for example, is typically used to represent -70dBm to -75dBm. As these are negative numbers, due to a decibel, i.e. logarithmic, scale being used, -81dBm is considerably weaker than -75dBm, some four times weaker in fact, in terms of power.

Plot 1 shows the results of a coverage drive in the north-west Crowthorne area. The drive shows that extensive areas of Nine Mile Ride still lack coverage to a level sufficient to meet the 95% confidence level, even for outdoor coverage.

The colour scheme employed is a standard OPCS scheme, which means that red, orange and yellow represent the desired >=-75dBm coverage, and greens and blues indicate the deficient <=-76dBm coverage.

As noted above, >=-75dBm is the required signal strength level for core coverage in order to meet the 95% call success requirement for domestic coverage and, as can be seen from the coverage drive, much of north-west Crowthorne is deficient in this regard. In fact, only a short section of Hollybush Ride has any real network coverage at all, and much of the area highlighted is deficient, even for in-car usage.

Plot 2 shows the same drive survey results, albeit with a simplified colour scheme for clarity to show the areas of existing sufficient in-car coverage in orange, and the areas of existing deficient coverage in blue. As above, it can be clearly seen that much of the area surveyed is deficient in coverage for in-car mobile telephony, i.e. a passenger or a driver who has pulled over would have difficulty in making a call.

Plot 3 contains essentially the same information as Plot 2, with a similarly simplified colour scheme for clarity to show the areas of existing sufficient domestic coverage in red, and the areas of existing deficient coverage in black. As above, it can be clearly seen that almost all of the domestic housing in the area surveyed is deficient in mobile telephone coverage.

As another means of identifying deficiencies in coverage, and for quickly predicting the performance of proposed sites, Orange employs computer models of radio propagation, based on recorded data from ground trials and a topographic modelling programme. This programme, known as 'Planet' is produced by Metapath Software International Ltd, and is used to generate two-dimensional plots on which predicted signal strengths are indicated by different colours. For ease of comparison, the colour scheme used is similar to that used for the coverage drives. It is generally accepted that Planet over-predicts expected coverage as the terrain database uses recorded Ordnance Survey data which does not incorporate fine details such as the heights of local buildings and trees, which would cause a signal to degrade in reality.

Plot 4 show a Planet computer prediction of the expected coverage to be achieved from the proposed installation. Given the height and extent of tree cover in the area, it is unlikely that the site will perform as well as that indicated by Planet, but the prediction still shows,

nonetheless, that the proposed installation will provide significantly improved coverage along the A321 and B3430, as well as to the adjacent housing in the area.

Given what is a clearly defined and severe coverage deficiency, Orange authorised the siting of a microcellular base station.

A microcell was chosen due to the localised nature of the coverage deficiency, as well the lack of existing options that would facilitate the use of a macrocell. A site at Ravenswood Village Settlement was previously proposed in 1999 but was refused planning permission due to height concerns.

PPG8 recognises that modern telecommunications - including mobile telephony - are an essential element in the national economy, and the aim of telecommunications policy is to ensure competition in the marketplace, a wider range of services and equitable access to the latest technologies as they become available.

Paragraph 8 of PPG8 Supporting Guidance states that, *"Authorities should not seek to prevent competition between different operators and should not question the need for the telecommunications system which the proposed development is to support."*

Given the clear support for Orange's position in attempting to improve coverage to this part of its national network, a failure to establish a solution to the north-west Crowthorne deficiency would also result in a failure to meet the three key PPG8 objectives described above.

In addition, it is noted that permission has already been granted to Vodafone to erect a similar lamp-post style installation in the same area, and that by refusing Orange the same permission granted to another operator, Wokingham District Council runs the serious risk of being seen to wilfully inhibit competition in the marketplace – in direct contravention of clear government policy objectives.

Orange strives, wherever possible, to utilise existing structures to minimise visual intrusion, in keeping with PPG8, the industry Code of Best Practice, and the relevant national and local government guidelines.

Orange has been working for over five years now, with varying degrees of success, to provide quality network coverage to the Crowthorne area.

An initial search was conducted in October 1996 with a view to deploying a macrocell installation using available existing structures. This search yielded four possible options, two of which progressed to the submission of planning applications but ultimately were not successful.

Having exhausted all of the possibilities relating to a macrocellular site, Orange was left with the only option of deploying a microcell in order to meet its call quality requirements.

The application site was selected for its secluded nature, central location, and the presence of an existing telecommunications site. Further site visits to the A321/B3430 roundabout were unable to identify any suitable macrocellular alternatives in the immediate vicinity.

Consideration was given to the utilisation of the existing 12m Vodafone mast mentioned above, but this was not possible as the Vodafone mast, having been engineered to minimise its

bulk and visual intrusion, is unable to host additional equipment unless it is replaced by a more substantial structure. As PPG8 Supporting Guidance Paragraph 68 notes, *"a second installation located alongside or behind the principal installation may, for example, provide a more beneficial solution in environmental and planning terms."*

As with the initial macrocellular research, building-mounted options were first explored in detail, but none could be identified.

This left Orange with the last-resort option of deploying a greenfield microcell site, as no other suitable sites were identified by either Wokingham District Council or any objectors.

Having reached this point, a careful site assessment was made as to the precise design, siting and appearance of the planned installation. A number of locations were considered around the A321/B3430 roundabout and the application site was chosen for the following reasons:

1. The pavement at this location is over 2m wide, giving enough space to accommodate an equipment cabinet while still allowing sufficient room for pedestrians to pass.

2. There is an existing equipment cabinet across from the site, similar in appearance to an Orange equipment cabinet, so it would not appear out of place in the street scene.

3. A lamp-post type installation, sited in an environment with other lamp-posts, would not be an incongruous feature in a street scene.

4. The site location chosen does not directly face any residential windows and is sited so as to minimise any loss of visual amenity from properties where it may be partly visible.

5. The presence of mature trees forming a backdrop to the site, when viewed from the south and west, further minimise the visual impact of the proposed development.

As evidenced by the site design submitted, great care has been taken to minimise any visual intrusion from this site, and I note that PPG8 discusses Siting and Design at length. Amongst its recommendations, PPG8 asks operators to use *"sympathetic design and camouflage to minimise the impact of development on the environment."*

PPG8 also states that, *"The telecommunications industry is encouraged to continue to develop innovative design solutions, in terms not only of the structure of masts and antennas but also the materials and colouring. A number of different design solutions are currently available. These include masts designed to look like trees or street furniture..."*

This application clearly accords with all relevant PPG8 advice pertaining to siting and design.

An earlier planning application for a similar Orange site in a similar location at the A321/B3430 roundabout was refused by Wokingham District Council for the following reason:

"The proposal is unacceptable in view of its proximity to residential properties and its impact upon the character of the area."

Proximity to housing should not be an issue, unless Wokingham District Council is surreptitiously attempting to address health and safety concerns. If this is the case, PPG8 states unequivocally on page 10, paragraph 3, that

"it is the Government's firm view that the planning system is not the place for determining health safeguards. It remains central Government's responsibility to decide what measures are necessary to protect public health. In the Government's view, if a proposed mobile phone base station meets the ICNIRP guidelines for public exposure it should not be necessary for a local planning authority, in processing an application for planning permission or prior approval, to consider further the health aspects and concerns about them."

The level of importance attached to this paragraph is so great that it is repeated in its entirety in paragraph 98 of PPG Supporting Guidance.

PPG8 also notes on Page 10, paragraph 4, that

"The [Stewart Group's] *report does not provide any basis for precautionary actions beyond those already proposed. In the Government's view, local planning authorities should not implement their own precautionary policies e.g. by way of imposing a ban or moratorium on new telecommunications development or insisting on minimum distances between new telecommunications development and existing development"* (my emphasis).

Paragraph 94 of PPG8 Supporting Guidance further clarifies the situation regarding health and safety:

"It is not for the local planning authority to seek to replicate through the planning system controls under the health and safety regime. Enforcement of health and safety legislation in this area is a matter for the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) and not the local planning authority. If, once a mast is in operation, there is evidence that an operator is not meeting its statutory responsibilities in a particular case, HSE may investigate and, if necessary, require action to be taken."

Further indication that Wokingham District Council may have been acting in contravention of relevant policy guidance with its stated reason for refusal comes with a number of recent appeal decisions, such as APP/X0360/A/01/1068472, in which the Inspector notes, with reference to Wokingham District Council, that:

"The Council does not identify any harm in its refusal reason, which merely states that the equipment would be "unacceptably close to residential properties""

Needless to say, the appeal was allowed and approval granted.

Orange confirms that when a proposed site is designed and constructed strictly in accordance with the Site Design requirements in company Spec 252, Spec 253, Plan 168 and Spec 201, it will satisfy the compliance limits set by ICNIRP for Public environments.

The antennas on all Orange sites are designed to be 'Safe by Position', and are sited such that they are in places where the general public cannot reasonably be expected to access.

Orange wishes to state here that, were this site to be given permission to proceed to completion, it will be constructed strictly in accordance with the design as submitted and will, therefore, be in strict compliance with ICNIRP guidelines for Public exposure levels.

The Orange Public exclusion zones for an installation of this type are 2m directly in front of an active antenna, and 0.3m above and below. For Occupational exposure, these distances fall to 0.4m directly in front and 0.1m above and below.

As noted above, Orange sites are designed to be safe by position and it should be readily apparent that for anyone to even begin to breach any of the Public exclusion zones, they would first have to unlawfully scale the structure, ignore the RF hazard warnings that are included by law, and then suspend themselves in front of the antenna for a period of time – a lengthy exercise of extreme hazard in and of itself.

In conclusion, Orange has a clear and demonstrated need for a base station installation in the vicinity of the A321/B3430 roundabout in order to provide both in-car and in-building-coverage to both the A321 and B3430, and to the residential properties off Hollybush Ride, Soldiers Rise, and The Brambles.

All potential macrocellular options were explored and exhausted before the decision was made to deploy a microcellular installation.

Attempts were made to utilise existing structures where possible, but no viable options were found, hence a street furniture option was chosen as the last resort.

The proposed installation was carefully sited and designed so as to assimilate within the existing street scene and to minimise visual intrusion.

The site design is fully compliant with all ICNIRP guidelines and meets the dual objectives of providing enhanced coverage while at the same time minimising environmental impact.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further supporting evidence for the planning of this site.

Jason Rohan

Senior Network Planning Engineer
Orange PCS

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Declaration of Conformity with ICNIRP Public Exposure Guidelines ("ICNIRP Declaration")

Orange PCS Ltd
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Certifies that the proposed equipment and installation as detailed in drawing numbers 30/BRK7102B/01 within the attached planning/GPDO application at:

(Address): Junction A321 Sandhurst Road / Nine Mile Ride
Wokingham
Berkshire
RG40

is designed to be in full compliance with the requirements of the radio frequency (RF) public exposure guidelines of the International Commission on Non-Ionising Radiation Protection (ICNIRP), as expressed in EU Council recommendation of 12 July 1999 * "on the limitation of exposure of the general public to electromagnetic fields (0 Hz to 300 GHz)".

* Reference: 1999/519/EC

Date: 3/10/01

Signed: P. Fitzgerald
For and on behalf of Orange PCS Ltd

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Position: DESIGN ENGINEER

Company: PATRICK FARFAN ASSOCIATES

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ICNIRP Design Declaration

Orange Statement

Orange strategy is to abide by compliance limits set by ICNIRP for both Public and Occupational environments. The ICNIRP *Public recommendations* have been interpreted by the European Commission and this guidance accepted by the UK government and the IEGMP (Stewart Report). All operators in the UK will now work to these guidelines for publicly accessible areas.

Due to the wide variety of equipment, designs, configurations and potential future upgrades that need to be considered in order to prove compliance with the ICNIRP *Public recommendations* Orange have included Site Design requirements in Spec 252, Spec 253, Plan 168 and Spec 201.

Orange SA can confirm that when a site is designed and constructed strictly in accordance with these documents, it will satisfy the compliance limits set by ICNIRP for Public environments.

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Designers Statement

This is to confirm that:

Site No	BRK7102	**Site Name**	KINGS LAKE B
Designed on *(insert date design started)*	24/5/01	**By**	PAUL FITZGERALD
Detailed on the following drawings *(include all revision numbers)*		PF	30/BRK7102B/01 REV 0

This site is designed in accordance with Orange Documentation :

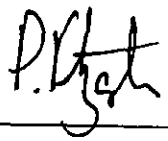
Spec 252 Macrocell Site Design Document or Spec 253 Microcell Site Design Document. Plan 168 3G Site Design Strategy; Spec 201 Safety & Information Signage Specification for Orange PCS Limited Radio Sites.

Versions current at design date given above.

With **{No / the following}** variations:
Delete as applicable

NONE

Note full details of any variations must be attached and signed by the Orange Network Planner as being required and meeting the compliance limits set by ICNIRP for Public environments.

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Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Amendment) (England) Order 2001

Developer's Notice

Proposed Development at ***Junction of A321 Sandhurst Road and Nine Mile Ride, Wokingham, Berkshire. RG40.***

Grid Ref: ***E 481450 N 165120***

I give notice that Orange PCS Ltd will be applying to ***Wokingham District Council*** (the"Authority") under Part 24 of Schedule 2 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Amendment) (England) Order 2001 for its determination as to whether the prior approval of the authority will be required to the siting and appearance of ***The installation of a 15m high microcell column, consisting of 1 dual polar omni antenna. In addition an equipment cabinet of overall dimension of 0.98 cubic metres' will be installed adjacent to the microcell column.***

The application and accompanying plans shall be available for public inspection at the offices of the above Authority at ***Wokingham District Council, PO Box 157, Shute End, Wokingham. RG40 1WR*** during usual office hours.

Any owner* of the land or tenant** wishing to make representations about the siting and appearance of the proposed development may do so in writing to the Authority at the address above. Any representations should be received by ***13th December 2001***

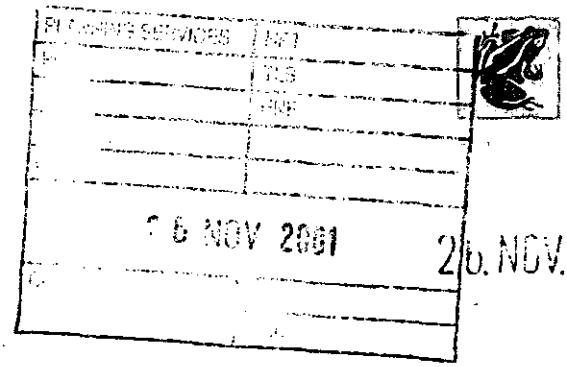
Signed ..... on behalf of Orange PCS Ltd

Company ***Patrick Farfan Associates Ltd***

Dated ***22nd November 2001***

*'owner' means any person who is the estate owner in respect of the fee simple, or who is entitled to a tenancy granted or extended for a term of years of which not less than seven years remain unexpired

**'tenant' means the tenant of an agricultural holding any part of which is comprised in the land to which the application relates



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22nd November 2001

Dear Sir,

Proposed ORANGE PCS Ltd. Installation at:

Junction of A321 Sandhurst Road and Nine Mile Ride, Wokingham, Berkshire. RG40.

Notice of intention to install telecommunications apparatus pursuant to:

1. The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Amendment) (England) Order 2001 (Schedule 2 Part 24).

2. The licence granted to Orange Personal Communications Limited under Section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984.

I confirm that we act on behalf of Orange PCS Ltd in submitting this application.

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Proposal: The installation of a 15m high microcell column, consisting of 1 dual polar omni antenna. In addition an equipment cabinet of overall dimension of 0.98 cubic metres' will be installed adjacent to the microcell column.

Location: OS Grid Ref: E 481450 N 165120

Address: Junction A321 Sandhurst Road and Nine-Mile Ride, Wokingham, Berkshire, RG40.

Enclosures: Planning Drawing No. 30/BRK7102B/01 REV 0 (3 copies of)
Block plan (1:1250)
Site plan (1:500 & 1:100)
Elevations on pole and antennae (1:150 & 1:50)

Copy of Developers notice.

Technical Justification and Coverage Plots.

ICNIRP compliance Certificate

Prescribed Fee. £190.00

Reasons for choosing this site location,

- The increase in mobile phone usage has placed a strain on existing Orange PCS installations in the locality, where they are struggling to provide satisfactory network coverage to existing customers. The site is needed to improve localized call coverage and capacity in the area bordering the junction of the A321 Sandhurst Road and Nine Mile Ride. Due to the topography of the land, providing acceptable coverage levels has proved extremely difficult. This location will

maximise coverage and limit the number of future installations required. (See enclosed Technical Summary and Coverage Plots.)

- A preferred location has been located in the verge at the junction of the A321 Sandhurst Road and Nine Mile Ride. This is the preferred location, as the proposal would not directly impact on the visual amenities of the surrounding residential properties, the existing trees and foliage providing added screening.

- By locating in the verge adjacent to the footway we have avoided encroaching upon pedestrian movement along the footway.

- The proposal is in keeping with the existing street scene that consists of a number of 10m lighting columns and BT telegraph poles as well as assorted equipment cabinets at ground level.

- The authority has already accepted the principle of microcells in this locality by permitting a 12m high Vodafone mast on the highway verge on Nine Mile Ride.

Reasons for choosing this site design,

- Due to the inability to locate a larger macrocell in the area the decision to make use of a microcell was taken. These microcell's are designed to mimic existing street furniture such as street lighting columns or BT telegraph poles. The equipment cabinets that accompany these masts are of the same size and appearance as those that appear in a normal street scene as used by utility suppliers. The design that has been chosen in this location is of a 15m-slimline mast, with a dual polar omni antennae located at the top of the mast. This will be painted to a BS Light Aircraft Grey colour. The equipment cabinet that will be located adjacently to the mast will be painted a BS Midnight Green colour.

- We have chosen a design that is similar to existing street furniture in the area. The column will be a structure such as that of the existing Vodafone mast.

Other options considered,

Wherever possible and where technical constraints allow we seek to make use of existing masts, buildings and other structures before considering a new mast or column.

In drawing up a list of possible options in your area Orange has already undertaken research set out as follows;

- The Local Planning Authority's Mast Register was requested, we were informed that one was not available.
- Our own database has details of other operator's sites that have been used to ensure no masts or structures have been missed.
  The Vodafone mast situated adjacent to the train station at Crowthorne was considered, but due to a number of factors, distance from the coverage area, over a mile, the topography of the land and tree coverage, locating on this 27m macrocell mast would not have improved the coverage in the area as required, a fact demonstrated by Vodafone's need for a microcell installation in the highway verge along Nine Mile Ride.
- The Network Planning Engineer and Orange's external Acquisition Consultant have undertaken a comprehensive tour of the area in order to identify the most suitable options.

A previous Permitted Devolvement application - Ref TL/2001/4074 - for a 15m telecommunications tower with 1 dual polar omni antennae plus equipment cabinet located at the junction of Hollybush Ride and Lower Wokingham Road was refused on 9th July 2001. This application recognised a need for an Orange installation in the area, a need that still exists.

Orange prefers working with L.P.A.'s to agree solutions. Many authorities have an understanding of the technical requirements and will assist in agreeing suitable sites. As PPG8 advises, "Authorities may be able to reduce planning problems for applicants for telecommunications developments and for the community by helping applicants to identifying existing and potential sites, by making suitable local authority owned property available to users and by encouraging others to do the same with their property." However, where local authorities do not abide by Government guidance and issue decisions that appear unjust, Orange are prepared to challenge these through the appeal process. You will no doubt recall the recent appeals lodged and decisions to date. These cases have many similarities to the application refused, referred to above.

An appeal is being prepared in respect of application reference TL/2001/4074, and will be lodged quite soon. However, if Wokingham District Council sees fit to approve this current proposal, Orange will be prepared to withdraw this appeal.

An alternative location was considered in the Thames Water Pumping Station (Queep 322), to the northeast. An installation at this location would have taken the form of a macrocell in excess of 20m. This proposal was unsuccessful due to space limitations on site. A microcell would not have been effective in this location due to the height restriction a microcell has of 15m. Due to the ground level the compound is at, coupled with the need to be above the height of the adjoining mature trees a microcell at this site would not have been feasible.

No other macrocell sites, site shares or building mounted options were present in the coverage area.

Patrick Farfan

Pre application Consultation,

Talks were held with the LPA regarding alternative designs prior to the refusal of TL/2001/4074.

A pre application letter was sent to the LPA on 17th October 2001, Patrick Farfan Associates Ltd have left several telephone messages at the LPA following this pre application letter, to date we have had no response.

Pre application letters were sent to Councillor Helliar-Symons, Lewis and Ross on 16th October 2001 seeking their views; comments were requested within 14 days. To date we have received no response.

Berkshire Structure Plan 1991 – 2006

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The structure plan states that telecommunications development will be permitted where it is sited and designed to avoid adverse visual impact and there are no satisfactory alternative sites. We believe that we have observed this direction and that this proposal meets these requirements.

Local Plan Deposit Draft,

The site chosen is within land identified as Green Gap/Wedge.

WIC14 Assessment of Proposals for Telecommunications Development - It has not been possible to share an existing telecommunications site as none are available within the proposed Cell area as previously explained. By choosing a column design of similar appearance to the street scene and keeping the structure height to the minimum above the surrounding trees, we have tried to ensure that the apparatus does not have an adverse effect on the character and visual appearance of the area and visual amenity of the local residential properties. I note that you have favoured sites that can be used for sharing and may consider masts not suitable for sharing to be in conflict with national and local guidance. However, in my view, the objective of mast sharing is to limit visual impact. The use of microcells in the manner proposed where it is compatible with street furniture is entirely in accord with the objective of limiting visual impact. This is comparable to acknowledging the use of a number of street lighting columns instead of using one very large and powerful set of lights to illuminate an area.

Policy WCC2 Green Gaps and Wedges – Once constructed, the mast would only need to be visited once every three to four months and therefore have negligible impact on traffic generation. The development will not cause adverse environmental impact on the surrounding area or on residential amenity. The scale, bulk and appearance of the proposal are compatible with the character of its surroundings. The proposal will not threaten the integrity of the Green Gap/Wedges.

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PPG8,

Supporting Guidance - "Modern telecommunications are an essential and beneficial element in the life of the local community and in the national economy. Much of the telephone network is, of course, long established. However, the growth in the UK mobile communications sector over the past 15 years has been remarkable. New communications technology has spread rapidly to meet the growing demand for better communications at work and at home, in business, in public services and in support of electronic commerce."

"Fast, reliable and cost-effective communications can attract business to an area and help firms remain competitive, thus contributing to the achievement of other policy goals, including increased employment opportunities. This is particularly important in the development of the single European market and in the creation of an environment in which major national and international companies would want to expand. It is equally important for broadcasting and for small businesses, and for new methods of employment, such as home working. Good communications can enrich life at home and offer new choices in education and entertainment, in shopping and banking. Modern telecommunications can benefit the environment through reducing the need to travel, and hence reducing vehicle emissions of carbon dioxide and other pollutants."

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Design - "In seeking to arrive at the best solution for an individual site, authorities and operators should use sympathetic design and camouflage to minimise the impact of development on the environment. Particularly in designated areas, the aim should be for apparatus to blend into the landscape"

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We believe that the site and design chosen is the best solution within the cell area and minimises the visual impact on the area and that of the nearby residential properties. Therefore a positive planning decision is expected.

Please do not hesitate in contacting me if you would like any further information. I would be grateful if you would kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter.

Yours faithfully

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Block plan (1:1250)
Site plan (1:500 & 1:100)
Elevations on pole and antennae (1:150 & 1:50)

Copy of Developers notice.

Technical Justification and Coverage Plots.

ICNIRP compliance Certificate

Prescribed Fee. £190.00

Reasons for choosing this site location,

- The increase in mobile phone usage has placed a strain on existing Orange PCS installations in the locality, where they are struggling to provide satisfactory network coverage to existing customers. The site is needed to improve localized call coverage and capacity in the area bordering the junction of the A321 Sandhurst Road and Nine Mile Ride. Due to the topography of the land, providing acceptable coverage levels has proved extremely difficult. This location will

maximise coverage and limit the number of future installations required. (See enclosed Technical Summary and Coverage Plots.)

- A preferred location has been located in the verge at the junction of the A321 Sandhurst Road and Nine Mile Ride. This is the preferred location, as the proposal would not directly impact on the visual amenities of the surrounding residential properties, the existing trees and foliage providing added screening.

- By locating in the verge adjacent to the footway we have avoided encroaching upon pedestrian movement along the footway.

- The proposal is in keeping with the existing street scene that consists of a number of 10m lighting columns and BT telegraph poles as well as assorted equipment cabinets at ground level.

- The authority has already accepted the principle of microcells in this locality by permitting a 12m high Vodafone mast on the highway verge on Nine Mile Ride.

Reasons for choosing this site design,

- Due to the inability to locate a larger macrocell in the area the decision to make use of a microcell was taken. These microcell's are designed to mimic existing street furniture such as street lighting columns or BT telegraph poles. The equipment cabinets that accompany these masts are of the same size and appearance as those that appear in a normal street scene as used by utility suppliers. The design that has been chosen in this location is of a 15m-slimline mast, with a dual polar omni antennae located at the top of the mast. This will be painted to a BS Light Aircraft Grey colour. The equipment cabinet that will be located adjacently to the mast will be painted a BS Midnight Green colour.

- We have chosen a design that is similar to existing street furniture in the area. The column will be a structure such as that of the existing Vodafone mast.

Other options considered,

Wherever possible and where technical constraints allow we seek to make use of existing masts, buildings and other structures before considering a new mast or column.

In drawing up a list of possible options in your area Orange has already undertaken research set out as follows;

- The Local Planning Authority's Mast Register was requested, we were informed that one was not available.
- Our own database has details of other operator's sites that have been used to ensure no masts or structures have been missed.
  The Vodafone mast situated adjacent to the train station at Crowthorne was considered, but due to a number of factors, distance from the coverage area, over a mile, the topography of the land and tree coverage, locating on this 27m macrocell mast would not have improved the coverage in the area as required, a fact demonstrated by Vodafone's need for a microcell installation in the highway verge along Nine Mile Ride.
- The Network Planning Engineer and Orange's external Acquisition Consultant have undertaken a comprehensive tour of the area in order to identify the most suitable options.

A previous Permitted Devolvement application - Ref TL/2001/4074 - for a 15m telecommunications tower with 1 dual polar omni antennae plus equipment cabinet located at the junction of Hollybush Ride and Lower Wokingham Road was refused on 9th July 2001. This application recognised a need for an Orange installation in the area, a need that still exists.

Orange prefers working with L.P.A.'s to agree solutions. Many authorities have an understanding of the technical requirements and will assist in agreeing suitable sites. As PPG8 advises, "Authorities may be able to reduce planning problems for applicants for telecommunications developments and for the community by helping applicants to identifying existing and potential sites, by making suitable local authority owned property available to users and by encouraging others to do the same with their property." However, where local authorities do not abide by Government guidance and issue decisions that appear unjust, Orange are prepared to challenge these through the appeal process. You will no doubt recall the recent appeals lodged and decisions to date. These cases have many similarities to the application refused, referred to above.

An appeal is being prepared in respect of application reference TL/2001/4074, and will be lodged quite soon. However, if Wokingham District Council sees fit to approve this current proposal, Orange will be prepared to withdraw this appeal.

An alternative location was considered in the Thames Water Pumping Station (Queep 322), to the northeast. An installation at this location would have taken the form of a macrocell in excess of 20m. This proposal was unsuccessful due to space limitations on site. A microcell would not have been effective in this location due to the height restriction a microcell has of 15m. Due to the ground level the compound is at, coupled with the need to be above the height of the adjoining mature trees a microcell at this site would not have been feasible.

No other macrocell sites, site shares or building mounted options were present in the coverage area.

Pre application Consultation,

Talks were held with the LPA regarding alternative designs prior to the refusal of TL/2001/4074.

A pre application letter was sent to the LPA on 17th October 2001, Patrick Farfan Associates Ltd have left several telephone messages at the LPA following this pre application letter, to date we have had no response.

Pre application letters were sent to Councillor Helliar-Symons, Lewis and Ross on 16th October 2001 seeking their views; comments were requested within 14 days. To date we have received no response.

Berkshire Structure Plan 1991 – 2006

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The structure plan states that telecommunications development will be permitted where it is sited and designed to avoid adverse visual impact and there are no satisfactory alternative sites. We believe that we have observed this direction and that this proposal meets these requirements.

Local Plan Deposit Draft,

The site chosen is within land identified as Green Gap/Wedge.

WIC14 Assessment of Proposals for Telecommunications Development - It has not been possible to share an existing telecommunications site as none are available within the proposed Cell area as previously explained. By choosing a column design of similar appearance to the street scene and keeping the structure height to the minimum above the surrounding trees, we have tried to ensure that the apparatus does not have an adverse effect on the character and visual appearance of the area and visual amenity of the local residential properties. I note that you have favoured sites that can be used for sharing and may consider masts not suitable for sharing to be in conflict with national and local guidance. However, in my view, the objective of mast sharing is to limit visual impact. The use of microcells in the manner proposed where it is compatible with street furniture is entirely in accord with the objective of limiting visual impact. This is comparable to acknowledging the use of a number of street lighting columns instead of using one very large and powerful set of lights to illuminate an area.

Policy WCC2 Green Gaps and Wedges – Once constructed, the mast would only need to be visited once every three to four months and therefore have negligible impact on traffic generation. The development will not cause adverse environmental impact on the surrounding area or on residential amenity. The scale, bulk and appearance of the proposal are compatible with the character of its surroundings. The proposal will not threaten the integrity of the Green Gap/Wedges.

PPG8,

Supporting Guidance - "Modern telecommunications are an essential and beneficial element in the life of the local community and in the national economy. Much of the telephone network is, of course, long established. However, the growth in the UK mobile communications sector over the past 15 years has been remarkable. New communications technology has spread rapidly to meet the growing demand for better communications at work and at home, in business, in public services and in support of electronic commerce."

"Fast, reliable and cost-effective communications can attract business to an area and help firms remain competitive, thus contributing to the achievement of other policy goals, including increased employment opportunities. This is particularly important in the development of the single European market and in the creation of an environment in which major national and international companies would want to expand. It is equally important for broadcasting and for small businesses, and for new methods of employment, such as home working. Good communications can enrich life at home and offer new choices in education and entertainment, in shopping and banking. Modern telecommunications can benefit the environment through reducing the need to travel, and hence reducing vehicle emissions of carbon dioxide and other pollutants."

"The aim of telecommunications policy is therefore to ensure that people have more choice as to who provides their telecommunications service, a wider range of services from which to choose and equitable access to the latest technologies as they become available."

Pre-application discussions - "Pre-application discussions should be carried out between operators and local planning authorities on a specific development proposal and should be set in the context of the operator's strategy for telecommunications development in the area."

Pre-application letters were sent in October, no response was received. Whilst general information has been forthcoming from your office on the approach taken with regard to telecommunications, clarification of policies has been sought and whether your authority might change its procedures in view of the recent appeal decisions.

Health Considerations - "However, it is the Government's firm view that the planning system is not the place for determining health safeguards. It remains central Government's responsibility to decide what measures are necessary to protect public health. In the Government's view, if a proposed mobile phone base station meets the ICNIRP guidelines for public exposure it should not be necessary for a local planning authority, in processing an application for planning permission or prior approval, to consider further the health aspects and concerns about them."

See ICNIRP compliance Certificate enclosed.

Patrick Farfan
ASSOCIATES LIMITED

Design - "In seeking to arrive at the best solution for an individual site, authorities and operators should use sympathetic design and camouflage to minimise the impact of development on the environment. Particularly in designated areas, the aim should be for apparatus to blend into the landscape"

Technical Limitations - "Each telecommunications system has different antenna types, siting needs and other characteristics. Planning authorities should have regard to any technical constraints on the location and proposed development."

We believe that the site and design chosen is the best solution within the cell area and minimises the visual impact on the area and that of the nearby residential properties. Therefore a positive planning decision is expected.

Please do not hesitate in contacting me if you would like any further information. I would be grateful if you would kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter.

Yours faithfully

Jamie Philips
Acquisition Consultant

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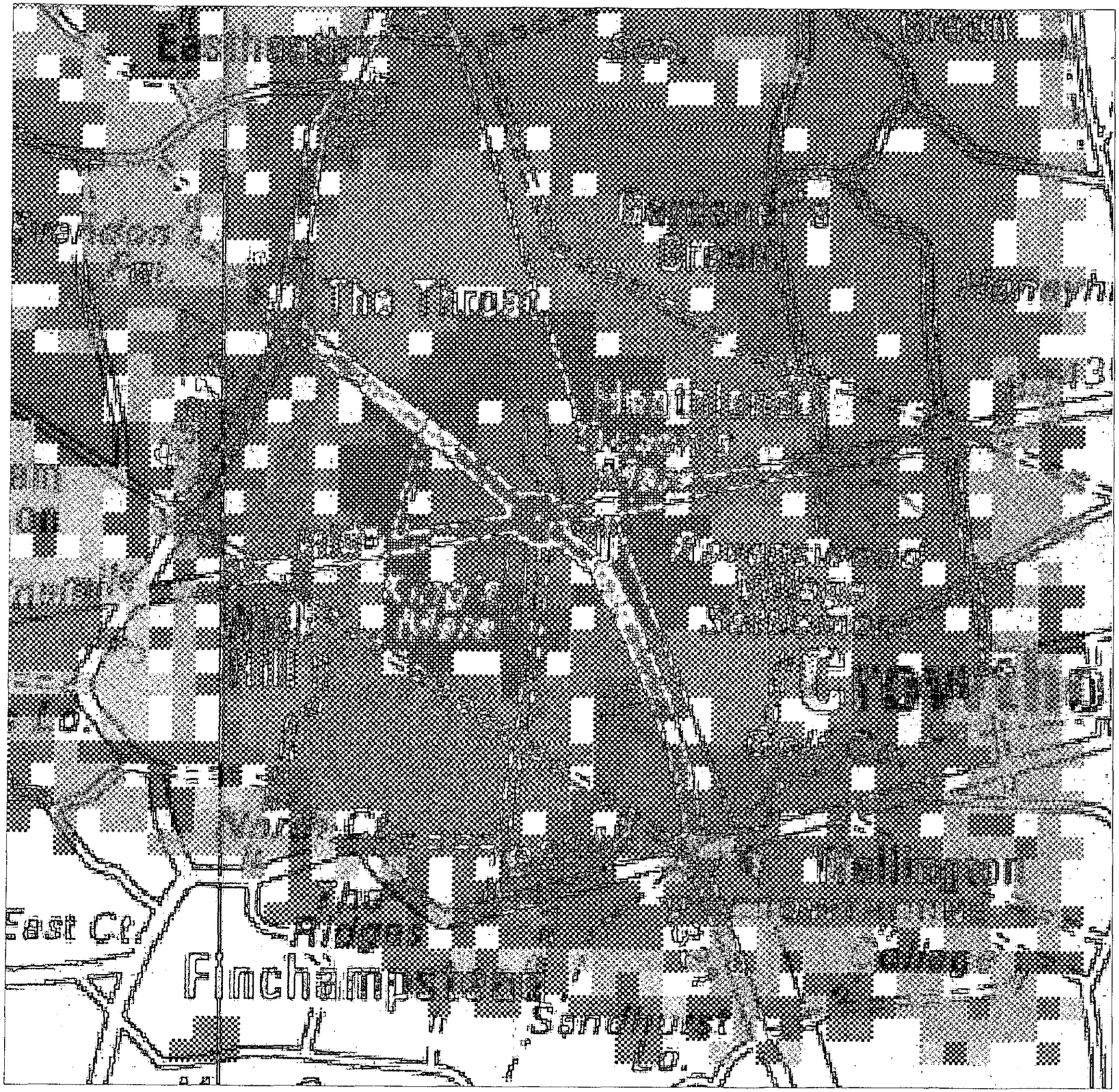
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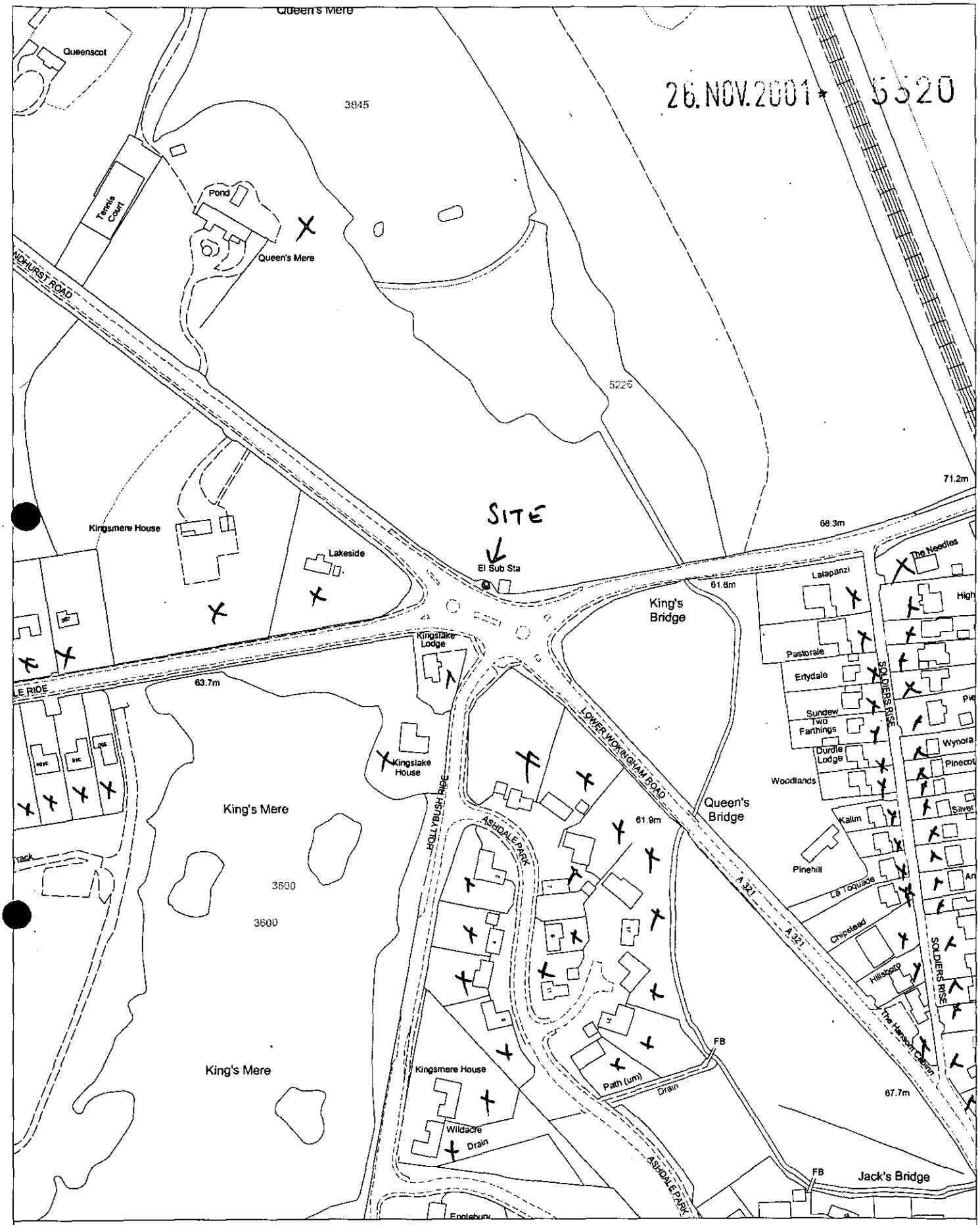
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Received by Wokingham District Council

Application No: TL/2001/5320

Proposal:
Proposed erection of 15 metre high micro cell column with 1 dual polar omni antenna plus equipment cabinet.

Location:
Junction Of Nine Mile Ride &, Sandhurst Road, Finchampstead, Wokingham.

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

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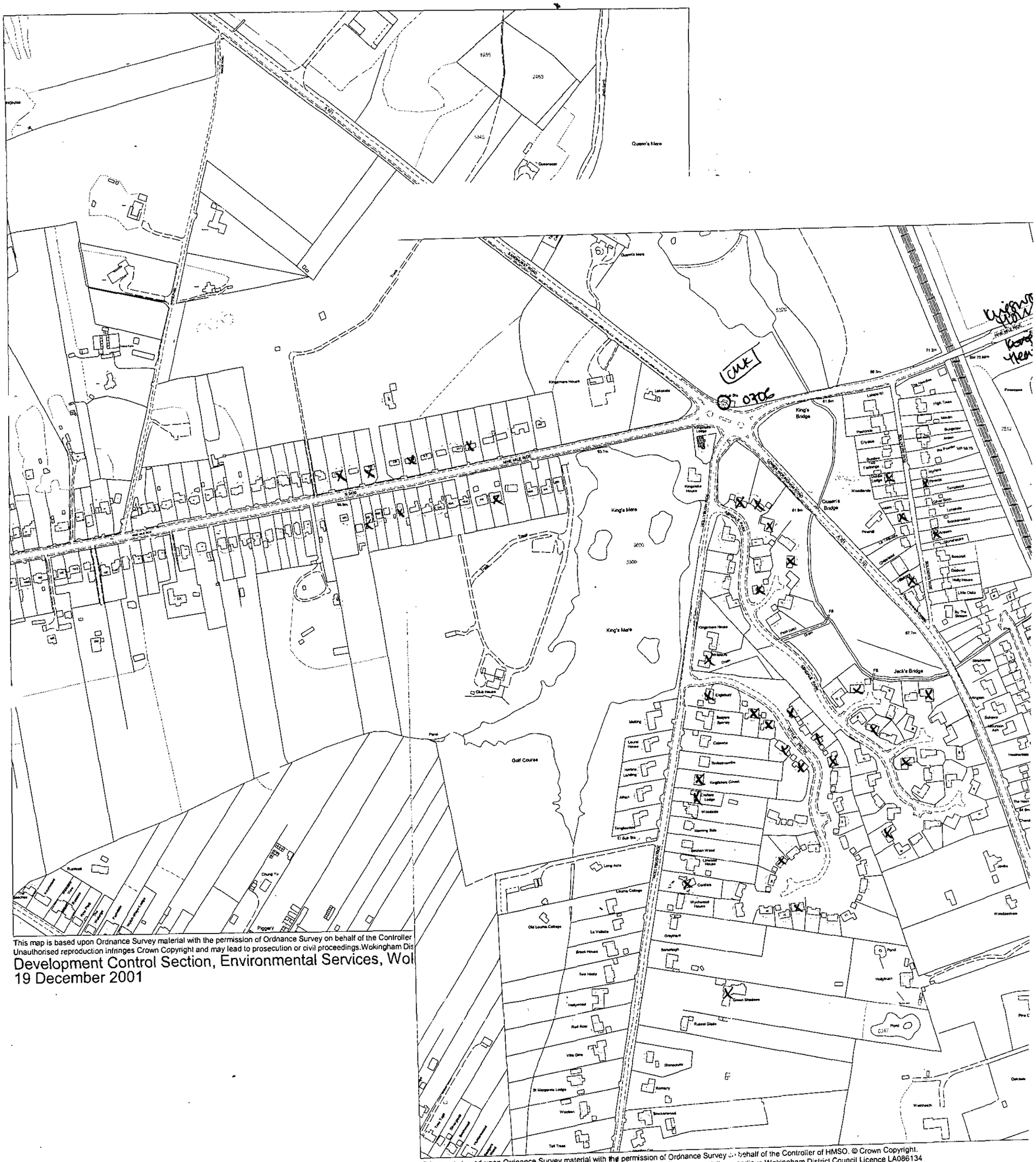
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Comments should be sent in writing QUOTING THE APPLICATION NUMBER to the Case Officer Natalie Brown P.O. Box 157 Council Offices, Shute End, Wokingham Berkshire, RG40 1WR to arrive on or before 21/12/2001. Written comments submitted will become available for public inspection.

In view of the very large number of planning applications and letters of comment received, it will not be possible for an individual reply to be issued 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

28 November 2001



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Your Ref: **Natalie Brown TL/2001/5320**
Our Ref: 1672812 01

28 December 2001

Ms Natalie Brown
Development Control Officer
Environmental Services Department
Planning Services, PO Box 157
Shute End, Wokingham
Berkshire, RG40 1WR

Dear Madam

PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER: TL/2001/5320

We write to lodge our objection to the proposed erection of a 15 metre high micro cell column with 1 dual polar omni antenna plus equipment cabinet. Reasons:

- All of the corners of the roads that come on to the Ashdale Roundabout are lightly wooded. The removal of any of the trees for the erection of such an antenna would spoil the look of the area.

- We understand that there is also an application in place to change the former "Lakeside" Residential Home into a childrens' nursery. We feel that to allow such an antenna to be erected so near to a proposed nursery would be irresponsible in the extreme. The dangers of such antenna are still the subject of research and we cannot believe that Wokingham District Council would condone a potential hazard to the health of children.

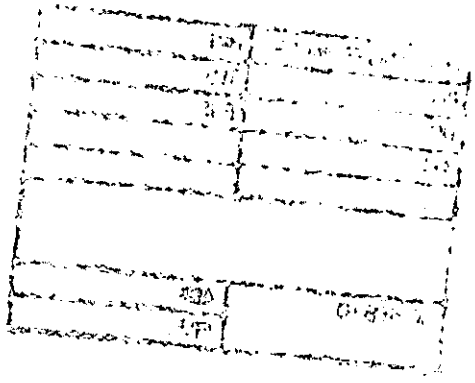
- An earlier application for the erection of an antenna at Belmont Stores, Nine Mile Ride, was rejected. Are mobile 'phone companies going to be allowed to make applications the length o the Nine Mile Ride until they are successful?

- We believe that the erection of an antenna and equipment cabinet would scar the area and we trust that Wokingham District Council will not allow this application to proceed.

Yours faithfully

A J SPRATT

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APP granted letter
sent 16/01/02

WORK SHEET FOR : Natalie Brown

Application Number : TL/2001/5320

Applicant : Orange P C S Ltd C/O Patrick Farfan Associates Ltd.

Location : Junction Of Nine Mile Ride &, Sandhurst Road, Finchampstead, Wokingham.

Proposal : Proposed erection of 15 metre high micro cell column with 1 dual polar omni antenna plus equipment cabinet.

Site Notice Displayed ? :

YES	NO	DATE
✓		4/12

Date of Neighbour Notifications : .....

Date of Site Visit : 4/12

Date Registered : 26/11/2001

Earliest Date for Decision : 21/12/2001

Latest Consultation Date/Site Notice Expiry Date : 21/12/2001

This application will have expired on: 21/01/2002. 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 :

Planning Issues :

Application Number: TL/2001/5320

Appraisal :

See attached.

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

Application Number TL/2001/5320
Conditions/Reasons for Refusal

No	Std Con	Std Reas	Non Std Conditions / Reasons for Refusal
			Grant prior approval.

RECORD OF SITE VISIT

SITE ADDRESS: Junction Of Nine Mile Ride & Sandhurst Road Finchampstead Wokingham.

APPLICATION NUMBER: TL/2001/5320

OFFICER: Natalie Brown

DATE OF SITE VISIT: 4/12

1 SITE/STATUTORY NOTICE DISPLAYED ? Council SN disp by case officer on fencing adj to el. sub. station

2. DESCRIPTION OF SURROUNDINGS
Junction of Nine Mile Ride twin roundabout & Sandhurst Rd.

3. DESCRIPTION OF SITE/BUILDING
Set back from footpath – fencing provides boundary with wooded area behind

4. RELATIONSHIP TO ADJOINING PROPERTIES
Adj to elec. sub. station which is enclosed by wire mesh fencing

ROS: Holly Bush Ride.
Nine Mile Ride → Bracknell
Lingmere Comes Nine Mile Ride + Sandhurst Rd.

5. SITE CONSTRAINTS

TREES

ACCESS/PARKING

LEVELS – Slopes round from pavement to fencing.

BOUNDARY TREATMENT

OTHERS

Application Number: TL/2001/5320

Appraisal:

Development

Proposed erection of 15m high microcell column with 1 dual polar omni antenna plus equipment cabin. This is to be sited on the junction of Nine Mile Ride/ Sandhurst Road.

The site is located within a rural/green gap area.

There was an application (TL/2001/4074) on the junction of Hollybush Ride and Lower Wokingham Road which was refused for the following reason:

" The proposal is unacceptable is unacceptable in view of its proximity to residential properties and its impact upon the character if the area"

The nearest residential property was 'Kingslake Lodge', at approximately 30m away.

There is also an existing 12m high mono pole on the land opposite the junction of Lower Wokingham Road and Nine Mile Ride which was approved by application TL/2000/0706 on 13/4/00.

1. Impact upon neighbouring properties

   The nearest residential properties are Kingslake (approximately 40m away), Lakeside (approx. 70m) and 1 Ashdale Park (approx. 100m), this application would be located further form residential properties than the previously refused application on the opposite side of the road.

   With regard to potential health risks, the Environmental Health department made the following comments *"the National Radiological Board's current advice is that there is no proven human health risk from these installations..... Further research is currently being undertaken into possible health implications although to date no definitive statement can be made."*

   With regard to proximity to residential properties and concerns of local residents, there have been recent appeals on Telecommunications Masts which have been allowed despite these concerns.

   Using TI/2000/2874 (Old Forest Road, Reading Road, Winnersh), the Planning Inspector says that : *"These potential impacts are considered at some length in PPG8. This Government's advice, which has taken into account the advice the recommendations of the Stewart Group's Report which accepts that health considerations and public concern can in principle be materials considerations in determining applications for planning permission and prior approval. The PPG goes on to state that the planning system is not the place for determining health safeguards. That is the responsibility of Central Government which has determined that is a proposed base station meets the guidelines of the International Commission*

for Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection (ICNIRP), then it should not be necessary for planning authorities to consider further the health aspects of proposed developments, or concern about them."

2. Impact upon the character of the area
The proposed development would be a 13m high molepole against a backdrop of trees, adjacent to an existing electrical substation. It is not considered that this would adversely detract from the character of the area as to warrant refusal. As noted above, there is an existing 12m mast within the vicinity of the proposed mast, which is being used by a different operator. Whilst the Council does encourage mast sharing, this would require a lattice style mast which would be more visually intrusive than the effect of the two monopoles.

3. Impact upon highway safety (parking provision)
The Highways department had concerns about the location of the proposed apparatus and the servicing/maintenance of it. However, they objected on a similar application (TL/2000/2874, junction of Reading Road and Old Forest Road, Winnersh), which was refused and subsequently allowed on appeal. The Planning Inspector did not uphold the concerns of the Highway department, he concluded that there would be nothing to suggest that the situation would be materially different from that caused by other contractors working within the verge i.e. gas installation. In the case of this application, there is already an electrical sub station adjacent to the proposed mast location, reflecting the case of the Planning Inspector.

4. Concerns of Local Residents
39 letters of objection were received on the following grounds

- Physical appearance (height etc)/visually dominant/out of keeping
- Value of properties would decrease
- Highways concerns – sited on a round about
- Public fear – harmful to health
- Raised issue of mast sharing

The issues of appearance, mast sharing, highways and health have been addressed above.

The Parish Council also expressed concerns over the siting of the mast and the possibility of mast sharing.

With regard to the value of the properties being affected, this is not an issue that can be considered by planning.

Approval: ✓ **~~Refusal:~~**

Appeal Decision

Hearing held on 07 November 2001

by Chris Gossop BSc MA PhD MRTPI

an Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State for the Department for Transport, Local Government and the Regions

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Date
06 DEC 2001

Appeal Ref: APP/X0360/A/01/1068473
Land at the junction of Reading Road and Old Forest Road, Winnersh

- The appeal is made under Section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 against a refusal to grant approval for the siting and appearance of development permitted by Part 24 of Schedule 2 to the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 as amended.
- The appeal is made by Orange PCS Ltd against the decision of Wokingham District Council.
- The application (Ref.TL/2000/2874), dated 29 November 2000, was refused by notice dated 8 January 2001.
- The development proposed is erection of an 8m high telecommunications pole with three directional antennae and equipment cabin.

Summary of Decision: The appeal is allowed and approval is granted subject to conditions as set out in the Formal Decision below.

Procedural Matters

1. At the hearing, applications for costs were made by the main parties against each other. These are the subject of separate decisions.

2. Additional, unaccompanied, site inspections were carried out on 22 November 2001. The main purpose of these was to examine potential alternative sites.

3. At the hearing, the application plan was revised to specify the precise positions of the proposed monopole and its equipment cabin. I shall determine the appeal on the basis of the revised plan (Drawing Number 30/BRK7039E/01 Revision A).

Main Issues

4. The main issue in this case is the acceptability of the proposed development in terms of its siting and appearance, having regard to the aims of local and national policies in respect of telecommunications.

Planning Policy

5. The development plan for this area comprises the Berkshire Structure Plan (1991-2006) adopted in 1995 and the Loddon Area Local Plan 1995. Policy TC1 of the Structure Plan states that planning permission will normally be granted for telecommunications development. It goes on to indicate that, where there is potential conflict with environmental objectives, such development will be allowed provided that a number of criteria are met. These are that there should not be significant adverse visual impact (allowing for compliance with operational and technical requirements), that there should be no satisfactory alternative sites available, and that the sharing of existing facilities or mounting antennae on an existing building or structure are not reasonable possibilities. The

Loddon Area Local Plan contains no policies that are of specific relevance to telecommunications development.

6. There is an emerging Local Plan, the Wokingham District Local Plan. This has been the subject of an Inquiry and the Inspector's report is shortly to be published. Policy WIC14 of the draft Local Plan is of greatest relevance to this appeal. This relates closely to Structure Plan Policy TC1. It includes a 200m guideline that is to be used by the Council in exercising its option to require prior approval. In its hearing statement, the Council also cites Policy WBE12. This states that development will be resisted where it detracts from the quality of green routes (such as this section of the Reading Road). I shall take both of these policies into account in reaching my decision, in accordance with the advice given in paragraph 48 of Planning Policy Guidance Note 1 *General Policy and Principles* (PPG1).

7. National policy on planning for telecommunications is set out in Planning Policy Guidance Note 8 *Telecommunications* (PPG8), published in August 2001. In essence, the Government's policy is to facilitate the growth of new and existing telecommunications systems while keeping the environmental impact to a minimum. The Government also acknowledges that it has a responsibility for protecting public health. I consider that aspect of this case in paragraphs 15 and 16.

8. In a letter to the appellant's agent dated 7 November 2000, the Council sets out its approach to the consideration of mobile telephone masts. Among other things, this letter states that the Council as landowner will not normally allow such developments on Council land or buildings within 60m of residential properties, or other places where there is a prolonged human presence. The reason for recommending the 60m minimum separation is that, notwithstanding the Stewart Group's report *mobile phones and health*, telecommunications developments continue to give rise to high levels of public concern.

9. The letter says that this is not a development control policy and that exceptions can be made. In my view, it fails, nevertheless, to comply with paragraph 101 of PPG8 which says that local planning authorities should not implement their own precautionary policies, for example by insisting on minimum distances between new telecommunications development and existing development. I therefore attach little weight to this Council policy or practice.

10. Of relevance to the discussion of possible alternative sites are Policies C6 of the Structure Plan and WCC2 of the draft Local Plan on Green Gaps and Wedges. The areas covered by these designations include the Wokingham/Winnersh gap. Both Policies indicate that development will not be permitted where it would threaten these important open areas, the aim of which is to provide physical or visual separation between settlements or communities that are close together.

Reasons

11. The appeal site is located within a wide grass verge at the junction of Old Forest Road and the Reading Road (A329). This section of the Reading Road is residential in character with many mature trees. Some 400m to the northwest of the appeal site, the A329 passes under the M4 motorway, and enters the main part of Winnersh. The proposed monopole would be located some 4.5m from a street light and it would be comparable in height. With its associated equipment box, it would stand close to a footpath which crosses the verge. The eastern part of the verge is occupied by two trees, one of which is a mature oak. The modern houses of Lenham Close back onto the verge along its northern side.

APPEARANCES

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Mr J Phillips	Patrick Farfan Associates Ltd

FOR THE LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY:

Mr M Thorp BA MSc MRTPI MCIT	Principal Development Control Officer, Wokingham District Council.
Miss E Circuit	Planning Officer.

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Mr R Prior	22 Lenham Close, "
Mr M Page	23 Lenham Close. "
Mr M Cachia	25 Lenham Close "
Ms A West MA	7 Lenham Close "
Ms G Watson	3 Lenham Close "
Mr J Symons	232 Reading Road, Winnersh.

DOCUMENTS

Document	1	List of persons present at the hearing
Document	2	Letter of notification
Document	3	Policies in respect of Green Gaps/Wedges
Document	4	Appeal decisions tabled by Orange PCS Ltd.
Document	5	Correspondence regarding prior approval procedures
Document	6	Letters tabled by Mr Thorp dated 8/11/2000, 2/5/2001
Document	7	Coverage map – Wokingham
Document	8	Telecommunications sites – Wokingham
Document	9	Proposals Map – Wokingham District Local Plan 1996-2006 Deposit Draft 1997

PLANS

Plan	A	The appeal plan (30/BRK7039E/01 – Revision A)
Plan	B	Superseded appeal plan

(1) no development shall take place until details of the proposed colour of the mast hereby permitted have been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. Development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details.

Information

22. This decision only grants approval under Part 24 Schedule 2 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order (as amended). It does not convey any other approval or consent that may be required.

23. A separate note is attached setting out the circumstances in which the validity of this decision may be challenged by making an application to the High Court within 6 weeks from the date of this decision.

Inspector

would be some 18.6m from the closest dwelling 7 Lenham Close, and some 6.8m from the property boundary. The data and diagrams in Appendix 12 to the appellant's statement show that, at such distances, exposure levels would be many times below the ICNIRP standard. Having regard to the advice of PPG8, the compliance with the ICNIRP guidelines and the distances involved, I do not believe that there are grounds to dismiss this appeal because of any material risk to human health or concern to that effect.

17. **Highway Safety** On highway safety, I acknowledge that right turns out of Old Forest Road can be a difficult manoeuvre given the volume of traffic on the Reading Road and that there have been accidents at this junction. However, I do not consider that such turns would be rendered materially more difficult by the presence of the proposed monopole. This slim structure would provide minimal obstruction to the present view. The Council is primarily concerned about the potential danger that could arise from the operator's vehicles parking on or close to the junction during the erection or maintenance of the equipment. However, I find nothing to suggest that the situation would be materially different from that caused by other contractors working within the verge, for example those attending to the gas installation. As with works elsewhere within or adjacent to the highway, such operations should not be a source of undue danger provided that normal precautions are taken.

18. **Other Matters** It is apparent from the Council's hearing statement that it has based its first reason for refusal – that the development 'would be unacceptably close to residential properties' primarily on the public concern that it has given rise to. While I have addressed that concern, as expressed in the third party representations, I consider that in putting forward this reason, the Council has failed to follow the advice of PPG1, paragraph 60. This states that local opposition for a proposal is not itself a ground for refusing planning permission, unless that opposition is founded upon valid planning reasons which can be substantiated. In my view, the Council has failed to advance such reasons.

19. I do not consider that the oak tree would be affected by the proposed development, given the distances involved. Regarding conditions, the only one that I believe to be necessary relates to the colour of the mast. This is to ensure that the new structure matches that of the adjacent street lamp.

Conclusions

20. I have taken into account all of the other matters raised in the representations but none outweighs my conclusion on the main issue that the proposal complies with the aims of Structure Plan Policy TC1, and of other relevant policies, and is acceptable.

Formal Decision

21. In exercise of the powers transferred to me, and under the provisions of Part 24 of Schedule 2 to the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 (as amended) I hereby allow the appeal and grant approval for the siting and appearance of an 8m high telecommunications pole with three directional antennae and equipment cabin on land at the junction of Reading Road and Old Forest Road, Winnersh, in accordance with the terms of the application (Ref: TL/2000/2874) dated 29 November 2000, and the plans submitted therewith (as amended by Drawing Number 30/BRK7039E/01 Revision A), subject to the condition that:

12. **Visual Impact** The proposed monopole would have a limited visual impact. For those travelling along the A329, it would, to a large extent, be seen against the backcloth of the mature and other trees that dominate the view. Those trees that run along the common boundary between Lenham Close and the verge would serve to screen the lower parts of the mast from those properties. The upper part, including the antennae, would be visible but the impact would be comparable, in my view, to that of the adjacent street lamp and not, in itself, unacceptable. The monopole would clearly add to the visual clutter at the junction and it might have been better had it been combined with the street light to create one mast rather than two; at the hearing, this was acknowledged by the appellant to be technically possible. However, I must determine the proposal that is before me. Arising from its position, its limited height and its slim design, I find this proposal to be acceptable in visual terms. I do not consider that it would materially detract from the appearance of the green route.

13. **Alternative sites** From the evidence provided, it is clear that the appellant has considered alternative sites for the equipment, the design and siting of which are the only matters before me. The monopole is intended to fill a 'gap' in present coverage along a section of the A329 where there is insufficient signal strength. The appeal site would appear to lie about mid-way along that section. Having heard the evidence and visited the site, I am satisfied that there are no obviously preferable locations for a microcell development of the type proposed. To go closer to the motorway, for example, would have entailed a taller, more prominent mast.

14. The Council's view is that the need for additional coverage should be met by a mast in the adjacent countryside even though this would involve a macrocell and a taller structure. However, the land in question is designated as Green Wedge/Gap. In my view, such a development would be contrary to the aims of Structure Plan Policy C6 and of draft Local Plan Policy WCC2 as cited earlier (para.10). While I do not interpret them as necessarily prohibiting all telecommunications development, they do indicate that this area's precious countryside should be protected where possible. At the hearing, consideration was also given to the possibility of mounting the proposed antennae on another mast or structure. However, I heard nothing to suggest that the pursuit of such an option would provide the necessary coverage, given the topography and the extent of tree cover in this local area. In terms of alternatives, I conclude that there are no obviously preferable locations for the proposed development.

15. **Health Impacts** I turn now to the concerns expressed by local residents about the potential health impacts of the proposed installation. These potential impacts are considered at some length in PPG8. This Government advice, which has taken into account the recommendations of the Stewart Group's report, accepts that health considerations and public concern can in principle be material considerations in determining applications for planning permission and prior approval. The PPG goes on to state, however, that the planning system is not the place for determining health safeguards. That is the responsibility of Central Government which has determined that if a proposed base station meets the guidelines of the International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection (ICNIRP), then it should not be necessary for planning authorities to consider further the health aspects of proposed developments, or concerns about them.

16. In this case, the operator has confirmed that the proposed installation meets the ICNIRP guidelines. Measurements conducted as part of the hearing indicated that the monopole



FROM: Natalie Brown

DATE: 28 November 2001

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FINCHAMPSTEAD PARISH CONSULTATION SHEET

Application Number: TL/2001/5320

Proposal: Proposed erection of 15 metre high micro cell column with 1 dual polar omni antenna plus equipment cabinet..

Site Address: Junction Of Nine Mile Ride &, Sandhurst Road, Finchampstead, Wokingham.

Applicant: Orange P C S Ltd C/O Patrick Farfan Associates Ltd.

Your observations are required in respect of this application **by 21/12/2001** .

Objection on the grounds that due to the existing mast in the same locality, it is advised that the District Council investigate the sharing of mast by mobile phone companies. Councillors are also concerned that the new mast may be within 60 metres of the proposed new nursery school at the junction of Nine Mile Ride/Sandhurst Road which will be against the District Council's existing policy not to establish masts close to schools etc.

SIGNED: C.S.Cl

DATE: 28-12-01.

Clerk To Finchampstead Parish/Town Council.

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Dear Ms Brown

Application Number: TL/2001/5320

We write to object to the above planning application on the following grounds:

1. The original application TL/2001/4074 was refused by the council on 24th July 2001. This new application is virtually identical aside from the wording "Tower" on the original application and "Micro Cell Column" on the current application.

2. There is already well documented public fear that the radio frequency radiation from the proposed antenna could be harmful to the health of residents, particularly children, many of whom wait at that junction to catch the school buses, our own daughter included.

3. The physical appearance, visually dominant and imposing structure is out of keeping with the predominately residential area, thus detracting from the current recreational amenity of this location to Simons Wood.

4. We feel a strong community vigilance to protect the area from insensitive, destructive and environmentally damaging development.

5. The design, height and location of the proposed tower are readily visible from public vantage points at an already dangerous junction.

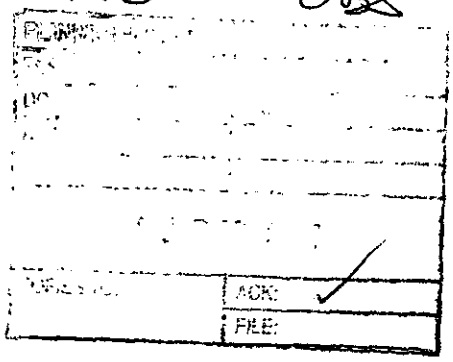
6. It would deter visitors and potential future residents, adversely affecting the current enjoyment of the area and property values.

Yours faithfully

P.A. Keston. Lorna Keston

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16/12/01

Dear Ms Brown,

APPLICATION NUMBER TL/2001/5320

I note, with considerable disapproval, that the above application is essentially identical to one recently turned down by the authority. In fact, the only difference appears to be that the proposed development has been renamed.

My objections to this kind of development are as strongly held as before. In brief, it would be totally out of keeping with this area and is also dubious on safety grounds. Speaking as a scientist, I am convinced that there is a need for more research into the effects of this kind of technology before developments of the type proposed should be allowed close to residential areas.

Yours sincerely

J. B. Sheridan

(DR J. B. SHERIDAN)

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TO
Natalie Brown
Development Control Officer
Environmental Services Department
Planning Services
Wokingham District Council

18 December 2001

APPLICATION NO.TL/2001/5320
ORANGE P C S

We wrote in June of this year giving our reasons for objecting to application TL/2001/4074 from Orange to erect a 15m high telecommunications tower with 1 dual polar omni antenna plus cabinet at the junction of Hollybush Ride and Lower Wokingham Road, Wokingham. Your department refused that application.

We have received your letter of 28 November advising that Orange have submitted an amended application.

Again, we must object to the new application, for the following reasons:

This latest application seems to be identical to the original apart from two differences. Firstly, they now refer to the 'tower' as a 'micro cell column'. Whatever its name it is still 15m high! Secondly, they have moved their proposed site for this structure from one side of this roundabout junction to the opposite side, which is wooded and already has a smaller antenna close by (in Nine Mile Ride). Presumably Orange thinks that their tower would be less obtrusive on this corner located by trees. However, the existing smaller antenna looks quite unsightly, and that is more discreetly located. The design, location and height of the much larger Orange structure would be far more unsightly, imposing and dominant, being readily visible from all points of this very busy junction.

We are also very concerned about the ongoing, well-publicised debate as to whether these antennae are a threat to health, because of the radiation they emit. The evidence is inconclusive and unconvincing at present and so we do not think such structures should be permitted anywhere near homes, schools etc.

As this is a residential area the aesthetic and environmental impact of 2 antennae in such close proximity to each other would be very damaging. Jodrell Bank begins to spring to mind.

Orange has submitted an insensitive, destructive and environmentally damaging application and we strongly urge you to maintain your refusal of it.

Lynand Phil
Rogers.

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Natalie Brown

From: Natalie Brown
Sent: 29 November 2001 11:22
To: 'Kumar'
Subject: RE: Planning Application No TL/2001/5320

Your e-mail has been received, and will be logged onto our post system.

Regards,

Natalie Brown

-----Original Message-----
From: Kumar [SMTP:Kumar@web-hq.com]
Sent: Thursday, November 29, 2001 11:20 AM
To: Natalie Brown
Subject: Planning Application No TL/2001/5320

Dear Ms Brown, thanks for your letter on the subject matter.
I am confused to note the contents of the planning request. There is already a 15 M high micro cell column standing on the north side of the Queen's Mere Round About at the junction of the Nine Mile Ride and Sandhurst Road. So why this new application, unless it is for yet another one ? The first one was erected any way in spite of public objections and considering increased radiation hazards we are totally opposed to further encroachments on our environments yet again. Regards, P.K.Chatterjee.

Natalie - can you obtain senders postal address please? Thx Sheila.

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16/12/01

To Natalie Brown
Development Control Officer.

Re application No TL/2001/5320

I am writing on behalf of my husband & myself, to object to the above application on health grounds primarily, having worked as a nursing sister for Racal Communications, Bracknell for 10 yrs & know there is considerable concern regarding the damage to health that the emissions from these masts transmit to a wide area, where they are situated.

Also with the many accidents that take place around the double roundabouts, where it is proposed to site the mast, the last thing needed is yet another object being placed to distract, blocking view and generally obstruct the roundabouts.

Yours faithfully,

Alison P. Palk. (Mrs)

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FAX

To: **Natalie Brown**

Fax: 0118 974 6484

Date: 17th December 2001

From: Nigel Page

Pages: 3 including cover sheet

Ref: TL/2001/5320

Objection to above Proposal

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16th December 2001

Dear Ms.Brown

Ref: TL/2001/5320

I wish to comment on the above proposal regarding the erection of a telecommunications tower at the junction of Nine Mile Ride and Sandhurst Road, Finchampstead. Wokingham.

First, it is clear that this is essentially the same proposal as that already refused by Wokingham District Council earlier this year (24th July, 2001 – Ref. TL/2001/4074). Though one may admire the persistence of Orange P C S Ltd., it is an act of folly to suppose that those in the location and, indeed, the Council, will not spot this brazen attempt to repeat that which has already been rejected.

This area, which has remained largely unspoilt to date, should not be tarnished by the erection of an unsightly and visually obvious tower such as that described in the application. Even the untrained observer would note that such a structure would be completely out of keeping with the developments allowed to date in this particular area. That such an obtrusive tower could be installed in this situation, en route, to the outstandingly beautiful Simons Wood owned by the National Trust, is hard to understand or support.

Furthermore, its siting so close to a residential area poses a danger to the health of those close by. Given the large number of families with young children, this aspect is particularly troubling, especially those whose children would find themselves standing very close to the mast during the time that they await the arrival of the school buses which frequent this location. Safety concerns should also be highlighted in relation to the proposed siting of the tower at an already busy and potentially dangerous road junction.

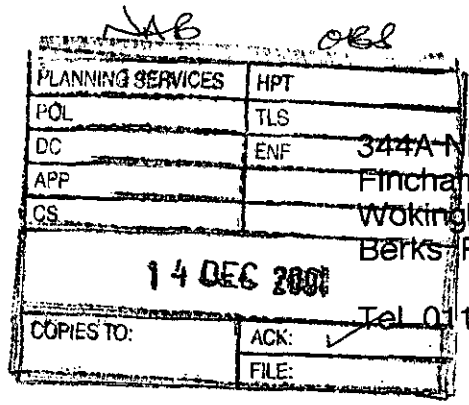
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Finally, in keeping with the response to the earlier application which was rejected, I have no doubt that the determination of the community to protect the area in question from this kind of insensitive and environmentally damaging development will be as obvious and as steadfast as ever. This application deserves to receive exactly the same fate as its virtually identical version, earlier rejected by the Council.

Yours sincerely,

Nigel Page

12th December 2001



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Attention: Natalie Brown
Development Control Officer

Dear Ms. Brown

Application No. TL/2001/5320

I am writing to object to the above planning application in the strongest possible terms. The grounds for my objection are as follows:

1. The design, height and location of the proposed tower are readily visible at an already extremely dangerous road junction.

2. The physical appearance of the structure is out of character with the rest of what is a predominantly residential area and detracts from the amenity of the location.

3. The structure would deter visitors to Simons Wood and potential future residents adversely affecting the enjoyment of the area and property values.

4. Radio frequency radiation from the tower would constitute a public health risk to residents and passers by including the numerous school children who catch buses at the junction.

5. The proposal is environmentally damaging and destructive for the local community.

I note that this application is virtually identical to Application TL/2001/4074 which was previously rejected by the Council. I urge the Council to react similarly to this application and to reject it out of hand.

Yours sincerely

Irene MacBeath

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RE: Application Number: TL/200/15320
Proposed erection of 15 metre high micro cell column with 1 dual polar omni antenna plus equipment cabinet @ junction of Nine Mile Ride & Sandhurst Road, Finchampstead, Wokingham

Dear Madam

From Government reports we understand that the above proposal could be a health hazard.

We therefore strongly oppose this proposal, particularly bearing in mind that a **children's nursery school** is proposed **directly opposite!**

Yours faithfully

Christine Giles

Christine Giles (Mrs)

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Dear Ms Brown,

Your Ref: TL/2001/5320

We understand that an application has been made for Orange PCS Ltd to erect a 15 metre high micro cell column at the junction of Nine Mile Ride and Sandhurst Road. Please accept this letter as our formal objection to the proposal on the following grounds:

- The proposed site is across the road/mini roundabout from another cellular antenna. Whilst mobile phones and therefore antennas are an essential part of modern life, every effort should be made to minimise their impact on the environment. It would be sensible to require Orange to site their antenna immediately adjacent to the existing antenna on the other side of the roundabout – indeed it would make even more sense to require the cellular companies to mount antennas on shared posts.
- The proposed site is adjacent to a very beautiful mature tree with a preservation order attached to it. Placing an antenna so close could damage the root system and would certainly ruin the view of one of the borough's finest trees.

Yours sincerely

David and Margaret Rice-Jones

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8th December 2001.

Ms Brown,
Development Control Officer,
Environmental Services Dept.,
P.O.Box 157,
Shute End, Wokingham,
Berks. RG30 1WR.

Dear Ms. Brown,

Application Number: TL/20015320

Thank you for your letter on the above. I wish to record our objection on the following grounds:

1. The application is virtually identical to that proposed and declined only a few months ago.

2. The structure would be extremely imposing and out of keeping with the surroundings. It would dominate the entrance to Hollybush Ride and Simons Wood.

3. There has yet to be proof that these structures do not have a detrimental health effect and this structure would be extremely close to local housing.

4. The proposed site is already an extremely busy junction of two roundabouts. Its dominance could easily create a distraction to road users.

5. There is a long and on going fight to retain the rural aspect of this area and the proposed construction sets a precedent for all to follow. This would be to the detriment of local people and anybody intending moving into the area.

Yours sincerely,

KEITH ELLWOOD

CHRISTINE ELLWOOD

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Natalie Brown
Development Control Officer

Application Number : TL/2001/5320

Dear Natalie

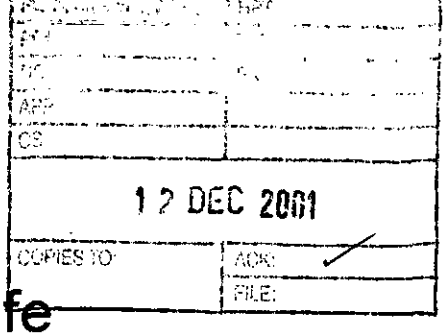
With reference to the above application please take this letter as an objection to the proposed project. In particular we object on the following grounds. You will see in some instances that unequivacable assurances are required from the council in certain areas. I suggest you forward this letter to your legal department in the event of us suing the Council in years to come if these assurances cannot be given.

1. The original application TL/2001/4074 was refused by Wokingham District Council on 24th July 2001. This new application is virtually identical aside from the wording of "Tower" on the original application and micro cell column on the current application.
2. There is well documented fear about the health hazards caused by such structures. Kent County Council have, for example, banned such structures being erected near schools or houses. I wish a statement from Wokingham District Council guaranteeing the health of myself, wife and children from any effects of this structure or its output.
3. I have moved to this house in the past few months. I object on the grounds that the structure will detract from the value of my property. If the project is given approval, I will wish a guarantee that any loss will be made up by Wokingham District Council.
4. The area is residential and desirable. The height and component structure of the structure will not only detract from the surroundings, it is completely out of keeping with them.
5. The design, height and location of the structure will be readily visible from public vantage points.
6. There is a strong community vigilance to this project to protect the area from insensitive, destructive and environmentally damaging development such as this. I support such action.

Yours sincerely,

Norman Ballentine

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Mrs Jacqui Rolfe

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Natalie Brown
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6 December 2001

Dear Ms Brown,

APPLICATION NO TL/2001/5320

Further to The letter received on Application Number TL/2001/5320 both my husband and I wish to object to this application on the following points:-

1. There is documented evidence that radio waves can be harmful to people and as I already suffer from ill health and would be the second nearest house to this structure I do no wish to be subjected to anything else which could be harmful.

2. The height and locatiion would be an eysore and would stick out like a sore thumb.

3. It would have an adverse effect on property prices, and would not make it easy to sell our house if we wished to move.

4. This is a modern imposing structure which is not in keeping with this area which has Simons Wood and a lake etc.

5,. I am strongly committed to saving our environment from development and which ruins the natural habital and which is not necessary to be installed in our area just for profit to others.

Yours sincerely,

Jacqui Rolfe (Mrs)

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Dear Ms Brown,

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Site Address: Junction of Nine Mile Ride & Sandhurst Road, Finchampstead, Wokingham
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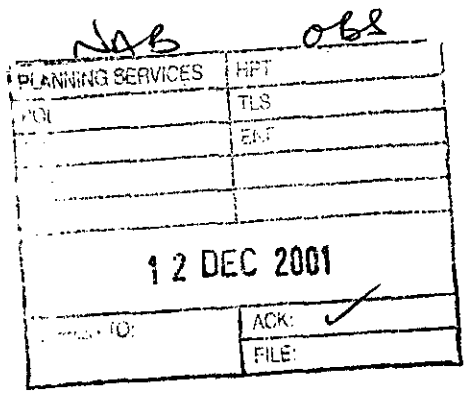
We would like to express our opposition to the proposed erection of the 15 metre high micro cell column in the above site for the following reasons:

- There has already been another application for an equivalent proposal (TL/2001/4074), refused by the Council on 24th July 2001. The current application is virtually identical except for the substitution of the word "tower" for the less imposing term "micro cell column".
- As parents of a young baby the proposed erection of this antenna concerns us. We fear that the low-level radio frequency radiation could cause a non-heating biological effect on body cells, which would be most likely to affect young children. Research from Dr Gerard Hyland of the University of Warwick states that children are particularly vulnerable to low level, non-thermal, radiation because their immune systems are still developing and their skulls are smaller and thinner than adults'. As with pylons, evidence of the health hazard these devices create may come too late once they are already erected.
- The proposed column would be extremely visible and potentially distracting for drivers at what is an already dangerous and busy junction.
- The physical appearance of the column is out of place in a predominantly residential area, detracting from the current recreational amenity of this location so close to Simon's Wood. No attempt has even been made in the application to disguise the column so that it can blend in with the wooded surroundings. For example Vodafone have erected a column disguised as a pine tree alongside the M4 motorway close to the Newbury junction (J13).
- The siting of this proposed column would most likely result in a reduction in the value of properties in the immediate area, including Ashdale Park.
- There is a strong community spirit in the locality that keenly protects the area from insensitive, destructive and environmentally unfriendly and damaging development.

In summary we believe that the environmental impact of the proposed structure in the above location would be highly negative and we request that this application is rejected.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. and Mrs. A.R. Opalka



4, Little Fryth
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11th December 2001

Dear Ms. Brown,

Ref. Application no. TL/2001/5320

I would like to register my objections to the above proposal for a telecomms. Tower. As the Application is almost identical to the original, TL/2001/4074, which was refused in July this year, my objections remain.

My primary concern is that this site makes no sense for a 15 metre tower: a much taller mast will in fact be needed. If the tower is not raised as surrounding trees grow, the trees in the local area will need to be lopped or felled to retain a line of sight. This is an unacceptable change of a residential environment to cater for non-local business needs. Details of this and other objections are given below:

- The basic tower and cabinet have already been built. Is this retrospective planning permission? If so, why was it allowed without consultation, bearing in mind the health and safety concerns of the public?
- Orange are notorious for ignoring local planning authorities and regulations. If they have erected this tower without going through the appropriate channels, I recommend that permission be withheld and that they are required to remove it: this is contempt for local democracy.
- To accept the Application will be to encourage developers in the future to build outside planning regulations and to apply for retrospective planning permission.
- This is a most unusual and inappropriate location for a 15 metre tower as it is surrounded by trees for an approximate 200 degree radius. Trees grow and obscure the signal. Forestry Commission land to the north east of the tower will be replanted with fast-growing conifers. Other trees almost surround the mast and will continue to grow. These are an important local amenity, as demonstrated by several local tree preservation orders.
- Lopping or felling trees is unacceptable destruction of the amenity value and privacy afforded by the local wooded area.
- Land to the south, west and east is uphill of this site. Therefore a taller mast will be needed.
- Raising the height of the mast in future is completely unacceptable and represents a cynical manipulation of planning guidelines.

- **The mast is located right next to a very busy roundabout on one of the busiest roads in the Wokingham area. The proximity of the mast and cabinet to the road, next to a blind humpback bridge, constitute a potential traffic hazard in a high-risk accident spot.**

- **If the line of sight is along Hollybush Ride or Nine Mile Ride, there are well-documented public concerns for health risks. This is a well-populated area: a large number of houses are hidden by the trees which also make this an unsuitable site.**

This Application therefore does not make sense.

Is it perhaps intended to establish a site which can then be developed into something much taller? The Council, once it has accepted the site, will have great difficulty in restraining further development as Orange can claim business needs once the tower is in operation.

With all the above facts in mind, many questions need to be answered:

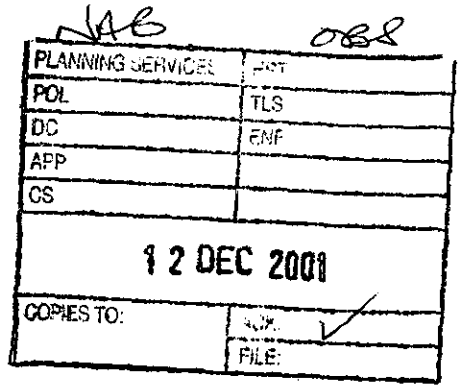
- **Where is the line of sight for the signal? If to the north or north east, do Orange have an agreement with the Forestry Commission to maintain a line of sight? If not, what are their future plans?**
- ***If the line of sight is to the south, east or west, how will a 15 metre mast transmit uphill?***
- **Can the line of sight be realistically maintained without interfering with any trees now and in the future?**
- **Will they apply to lop or cut down trees - or will they simply raise the height of the mast?**
- **What is the Orange policy for dealing with tree growth?**
- **How will the Council (bearing in mind Orange's poor reputation for complying with planning guidelines) ensure that the mast is, remains at, 15 metres?**
- **How will the Council ensure that Orange do not lop trees without permission?**

Until or unless all the above concerns are satisfactorily addressed by Orange, I request that Planning Permission be denied and that the company is required to remove the existing structure immediately.

Yours sincerely,

Marie Warsop.

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December 11, 2001

Natalie Brown
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Dear Ms Brown

Re: Planning Application Reference TL/2001/5320

Thank you for the information regarding the above planning application. We do object, most strongly, to the proposed siting of this telecommunications tower.

We have a copy here of the Steward Report containing the government responses, and the report clearly concludes the following:

"It is not possible at present to say that exposure to RF radiation, even at levels below national guidelines, is totally without potential adverse health effects, and that the gaps in knowledge are sufficient to justify a precautionary approach."

Also, there was great concern expressed within the report on the siting of base stations at locations where children spend a great deal of time. Many children who are spending most of their time in the vicinity of this proposed location are those at the most vulnerable of ages – pre-school.

I'm sure that no one will ever find conclusively the health effects of RF radiation, it will be debated for many years to come. In the meantime a precautionary approach MUST be followed, and where possible we must limit the exposure of our children to RF radiation.

As well as objecting on health grounds, we think that it will be an eyesore in a beautiful wooded setting. On top of that our children quite frequently walk there to visit friends and go to the shops, which I certainly wouldn't want them doing if the mast was placed there.

I must urge you to reject this planning application. Surely it is not essential to have another mast. There are pressure groups campaigning for fewer, higher masts, which will alleviate some of the potential problems.

Yours sincerely

Erskine +6.

The Erskine family

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7 December, 2001

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Dear Ms Brown,

Application No. TL/2001/5320: Erection of a 15m Mast at junction of Nine Mile Ride and Sandhurst Road in Wokingham

The area surrounding this junction contains two large lakes, some housing and, overall, a very pleasant environment with wildlife, walks and views. Another telecommunications tower of some 15 metres will be totally out of keeping with this area and should not be permitted. We register our objection to this application on the grounds of:

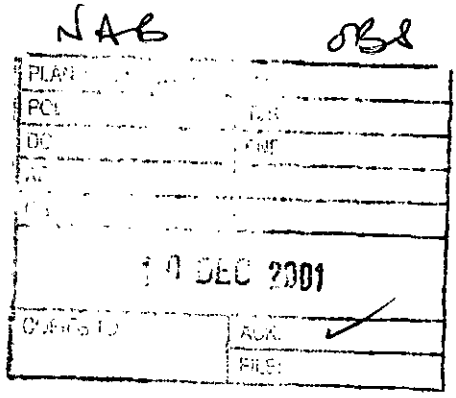
- Blight on an area of pleasant landscape and wildlife.
- Potential risk to health for local residents.

The growth in the telecommunications market must better planned such all transmitter towers are sighted in industrial areas of which there are plenty within a few miles radius of Wokingham. There are appropriate alternatives available and should be so directed by Wokingham District Council. A copy of this letter is sent to Finchampstead Parish Council.

Yours sincerely,

Brian Stainton

Brian and Ann Stainton



Mr. & Mrs. A Hooper
Conifers
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6 Dec 01

Planning Application Number TL/2001/5320

Dear Natalie Brown,

With regards to the above proposed planning application we would like to object strongly to this proposal.

It has been well documented that there is public fear that radio frequency radiation could be harmful to the health of residents particularly children, a case in recent years up by Finchampstead Church where a young girl living near one of these towers developed Leukemia and died Oct 1999 aged 16 years. Why would anybody want to take unnecessary risks placing something so close to a development of houses obviously housing many young children.

Many children wait for buses to school around this junction.

Not being a mobile user myself because of health risks, why does this 15-metre high micro cell column have to be placed here, being so visible and close to housing when there is so much open countryside around.

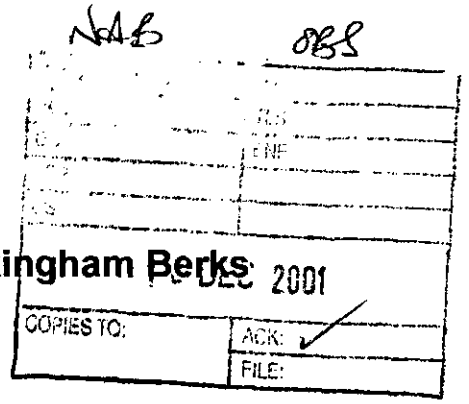
This would be a visually dominant and imposing structure out of keeping with a residential area. There is a strong community vigilance to protect the area from insensitive, destructive and environmentally damaging developments. The original application TL/2001/4074 was refused by the council on 24 July 2001, this is virtually the same application aside from changing some of the wording.

This in the future could deter potential house buyers from being attracted to this at the moment 'sort after location', affecting property values. We would not have considered taking our family to live under a telecommunication tower or electricity pylon.

Yours truly,

A & P Hooper

P. Hooper



Tom O' Toole

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Natalie Brown
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7 December 2001

Dear Ms Brown,

APPLICATION NO TL/2001/5320

Further to a letter received for Application Number TL/2001/5320 I wish to object to this application on the following points:-

1. There is documented evidence that radio frequency waves can be harmful to people especially young children and O often have my young grandchildren staying with me.

2. The height and location would be very visible and is not in keeping with the rural location.

3. It would definitely have an adverse effect on property prices

4. This imposing structure would not ruin the natural beauty of the local area which has Simons Wood and a lake etc.

5,. I object to unnecessary development which ruins the natural environment just for profit..

Yours sincerely,

T. OToole

Tom O'Toole

Tel. (0118) 974 6492

Date: 03 December 2001

My Ref: Natalie Brown TL/2001/5320

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Dear Sir/Madam

Application Number: TL/2001/5320

Site Address: Junction Of Nine Mile Ride &, Sandhurst Road, Finchampstead, Wokingham.

Proposal: Proposed erection of 15 metre high micro cell column with 1 dual polar omni *antenna plus equipment cabinet.*

We have been consulted by Orange P C S Ltd of their intention to carry out the above mentioned telecommunications development.

The application can be viewed at this office from 8.30am to 5.00pm Monday to Thursday and 8.30am to 4.00 Friday or at Woodley Library, Headley Road, Woodley from 9.30am to 7.00pm Monday, Thursday and Friday, 9.30am to 5.00pm Tuesdays and 9.30am to 1.00pm Saturdays. The library is closed all day on Wednesdays. If you are intending to view the details at Woodley Library please allow 4 days from the date of receipt of this letter for the plans to be delivered. **If you intend to view this application at Woodley Library please allow 4 days from the date of this letter for delivery of plans and remember to take this letter with you or quote application number TL/2001/5320 to enable the library staff to locate the correct information.**

If you have any comments regarding this proposal they must be made in writing and addressed to the case office, **Natalie Brown**, quoting application number **TL/2001/5320** & should you have any queries please contact the case officer on **(0118) 974 6492**.

All comments must be received within 21 days of the date of this letter and will be open to public view.

Yours faithfully,

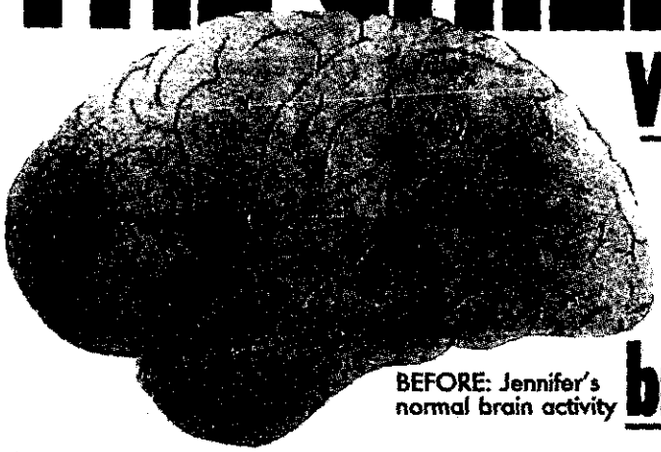
Natalie Brown

Development Control Officer

I OBJECT TO THIS PROPOSD ERECTION OF 15 METRE HIGH MICRO TOWER

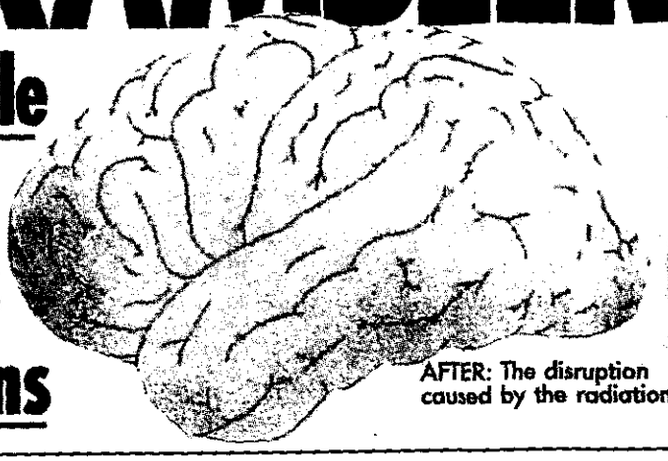
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THE CHILD SCRAMBLER



BEFORE: Jennifer's normal brain activity

What a mobile can do to a youngster's brain in 2 mins



AFTER: The disruption caused by the radiation

EXCLUSIVE by MARTYN HALLE

THESE are the first images that show the shocking effect that using a mobile phone has on a child's brain.

Scientists have discovered that a call lasting just two minutes can alter the natural electrical activity of a child's brain for up to an hour afterwards.

And they also found for the first time how radio waves from mobile phones penetrate deep into the brain and not just around the ear.

The study by Spanish scientists has prompted leading medical experts to question whether it is safe for children to use mobile phones at all.

Doctors fear that disturbed brain activity in children could lead to psychiatric and behavioural problems or impair learning ability.

It was the first time that human guinea pigs were used to measure the effects of mobile phone radiation on children. The tests were carried out on an 11-year-old boy and a 13-year-old girl called Jennifer.

Using a CATEEN scanner, linked to a machine measuring brain wave activity, researchers were able to create the images above.

The yellow coloured part of the scan on the right shows how radiation spreads through the centre of the brain and out to the ear on the other side of the skull. The scans found that disturbed brain wave activity lasted for up to an hour after the phone call ended.



FEARS: Children are put at risk

Dr Gerald Hyland — a Government adviser on mobiles — says he finds the results "extremely disturbing".

"It makes one wonder whether children, whose brains are still developing, should be using mobile phones," he adds.

"The results show that children's brains are affected for long periods even after very short-term use.

"Their brain wave patterns are abnormal and stay like that for a long period.

"This could affect their mood and ability to learn in the classroom if they have been using a phone during break time, for instance.

"We don't know all the answers yet, but the alteration in brain waves could lead to things like a lack of concentration, memory loss, inability to learn and aggressive behaviour."

Previously it had been thought that interference with brain waves and brain chemistry stopped when a call ended.

The results of the study by the Spanish Neuro Diagnostic Research Institute in Marbella coincide with a new survey that shows 87 per cent of 11- to 16-year-olds own mobile phones and 40 per cent of them spend 15 minutes or more talking each day on them. And disturbingly, 70 per cent said they would not change the use of their phone even if advised to by the Government.

Dr Hyland plans to publish the latest findings in medical journal The Lancet next year.

He said: "This information shows there really isn't a safe amount of mobile phone use. We don't know what lasting damage is being done by this exposure.

"If I were a parent I would now be extremely wary about allowing my children to use a mobile even for a very short period. My advice would be to avoid mobiles."

Dr Michael Klieeisen, who conducted the study, said: "We were able to see in minute detail what was going on in the brain.

"We never expected to see this continuing activity in the brain.

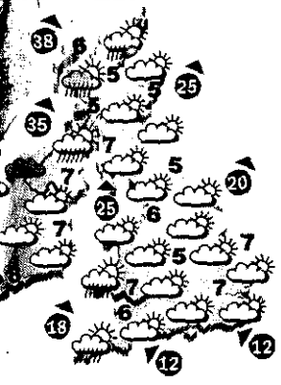
"We are worried that delicate balances that exist — such as the immunity to infection and disease — could be altered by interference with chemical balances in the brain."

A Department of Health spokesman said: "In children mobile phone use should be restricted to very short periods of time."

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SIX winners shared last night's £6.6million Lottery jackpot, scooping £1,115,553 each. No-one won the Lottery Extra or the Thunderball jackpots.

Jilted at
I've wed



EXCLUSIVE
By ANNETTE WITHERIDGE in New York

SHE wore the same white, designer gown again and she walked down the same aisle. It was exactly the wedding that Nicole Contos had planned for herself once before...

The difference this time around was a new groom – who did show up.

Nicole was left standing on the church steps by smooth-talking London lawyer Tasos Michael four years ago – a jilted bride in the middle of a high-society gathering.

Then the runaway groom made his escape on Concorde and even enjoyed the honeymoon in Tahiti he had booked on his own...until the world's Press caught up with him.

But now she says Tasos did her a favour. He made her all the more determined to find happiness...and a man who wouldn't desert her.

"I believe that everything happens for a reason," 31-year-old Nicole said as she cuddled husband, Dr George Liakeas.

"I had to be with Mr Wrong, so that one day I could discover Mr Right."

On the wedding day that never happened, Nicole went ahead anyway with the reception for 350 guests, and defiantly danced alone as the band played I Will Survive.

It became her personal anthem.

This time, she took husband George, 30, on to the floor, to dance to the same song.

"I love that music – I am a survivor," Nicole said. "I knew I would find true love one day and have the wedding of my dreams."

With Nicole's best friend Marisa May as chief bridesmaid once again, the ceremony went ahead at New York's Holy Trinity Cathedral, the church where she waited in vain in 1997 for Tasos to turn up.

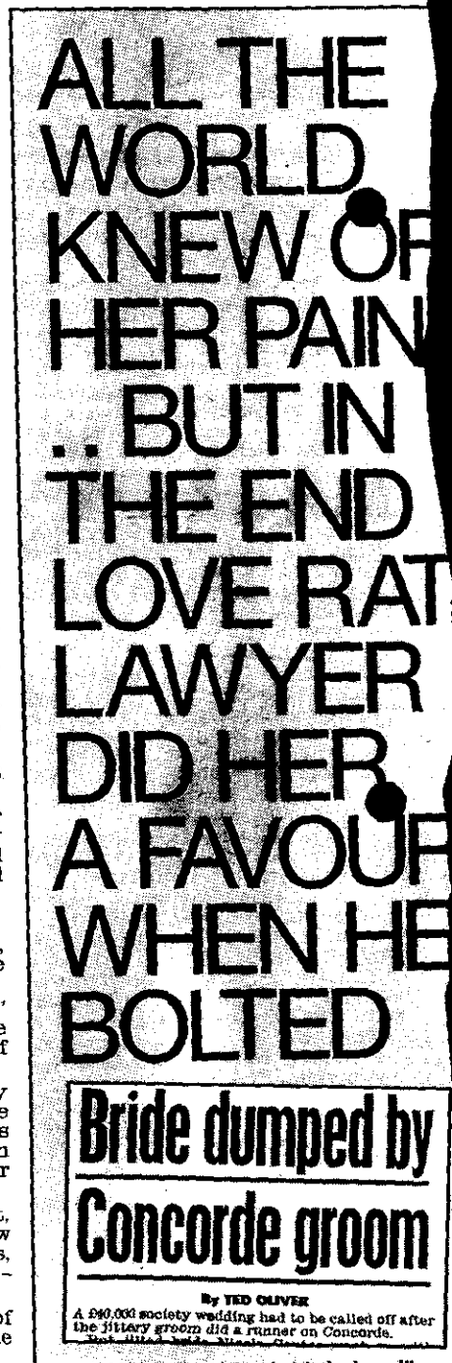
It's only now, happily married at last, that she's able to tell the story of how Tasos wooed her with exotic trips, jewellery, and old-fashioned charm – and then humiliated her.

It was in the Greek holiday resort of Vouliagmeni, near Athens, where she first met Tasos on the beach.

"I was lying sunbathing but a cell phone was ringing constantly nearby.

"Finally the phone's owner emerged, it was Tasos. I told him off about it ringing, and we started chatting. It was 2.30pm and we were still talking at 7pm. We met later for drinks.

"At 5am we were still dancing and he actually said 'I'm going to marry you.' My mother always said I would know when I met the right man and I thought



ALL THE WORLD KNEW OF HER PAIN ...BUT IN THE END LOVE RAT LAWYER DID HER A FAVOUR WHEN HE BOLTED

Bride dumped by Concorde groom

By TED OLIVER

A $40,000 society wedding had to be called off after the jittery groom did a runner on Concorde.

TRAUMA: How Nicole hit the headlines

was a smiling Tasos standing there."

A smitten Nicole had no doubts and immediately said yes as he presented her with a spectacular £25,000 diamond ring. Nicole flew to Britain for the summer to help renovate Tasos's five-bedroom mansion on the exclusive

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4 December 2001

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Dear Ms Brown

Reference TL/2001/5320

I refer to the above planning application for the erection of a 15 metre high telecommunications micro cell column and ancillary equipment on the junction of Nine Mile Ride and Sandhurst Road., which is a modification to the application TL/2001/4074

We believe that the tower proposed in this revised application continues to be detrimental to the area.

Our concerns about placing this type of structure near to a busy road junction continue, and the visibility of the proposed column would undoubtedly impact on the area

Finally, there are well founded safety fears about the level of high frequency radiation emitted from this type of aerial, and from a health and safety viewpoint, we believe the position, abutting a housing development, would be wrong.

In conclusion we would urge you to reject this application.

Yours sincerely

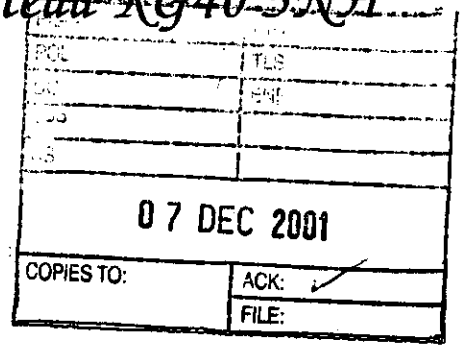
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December 3 2001

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Dear Ms Brown

Thank you for your notification of application TL 2001 5320 in respect of the proposed erection of a 15 metre high micro cell column for Orange PCS Ltd.

We understand that this new application is virtually identical to the original application TL 2001 4074 already refused by the council on 24 July 2001 - apart from the wording 'tower' on the original application and 'microcell column' on the current application.

We have already written expressing our concern at these towers - for every documented evidence saying just how safe they are, another piece of evidence comes forward saying just how dangerous and damaging they are - and as nobody seems to have the last and agreed word on their safety we feel we should - and the Council on our behalf - err on the cautious and refuse this application.

We must have a strong community vigilance to protect our area fromsuch insensitive potentially destructive and possibly environmentally damaging developments in our Wokingham area - such as in Kent where I read that all mast applications are automatically refused until further evidence of their safety is produced - we pray we can count on Wokingham DC to support us also.

Regards

JP & KE Gee

Local Plan Objection – TL/2001/5320

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Date: 5th December

Dear Ms Brown,

Re: **TL/2001/5320**

We have great concerns about the proposed erection of a telecommunications mast at the junction of Nine Mile Ride & Sandhurst Road, Finchampstead and wish our objections to be registered.

Our objections are numerous and can be counted as follows:

1. This is a repetition of an earlier application (TL/2001/4074), which was rejected by the council on 24th July.
2. It's sighting is in the same vicinity and has only been moved several yards away from the earlier application.
3. The description is virtually identical aside from wording "tower" in the earlier application and "micro-cell column" in the current application.
4. There is well documented public fear that the radio frequency radiation from the proposed antenna (and similar) could be harmful to the health of the residents and in particular children where it is believed to be the cause of cancers.
5. There would need to be strong community vigilance to protect the area from insensitive, destructive and environmentally damaging development.
6. The antenna would be the target of vandalism.
7. The antennae so position is vulnerable to damage from road accidents.
8. The design, height and location of the proposed antenna would be readily visible from public vantage points.
9. The physical appearance would pose a visually dominant and imposing structure which would be out of keeping with the predominantly residential area and would not be in harmony with the environment detracting from the current recreational amenity of this location to Simons Wood.
10. It would deter visitors and potential future residents adversely affecting current enjoyment of the area and would no doubt impact property values.

Yours sincerely,

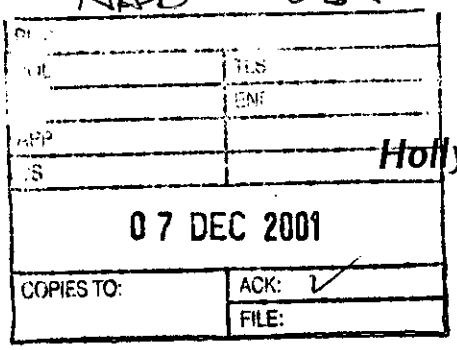
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4 December 2001

Planning Application Number: TL/2001/5320 – Erection of antenna

Dear Ms. Brown,

In response to your letter dated 28 November 2001 regarding the proposed erection of 15 m micro cell column with 1 dual polar omni antenna, I wish to object on the following grounds.

It would appear that there is very little difference in the new planning application from the previous application submitted and rejected by the council.

The design and height of the proposed tower should readily blend in with the immediate surroundings, clearly this is not the case. I noticed in Portugal that the telecommunication companies work very closely with the local planning authorities to ensure that the telecommunication areas do blend in with the local environment, i.e. the antenna are disguised or made to look like fir trees.

The proposed planning application will be obtrusive and will urbanise or industrialised a residential and wooded area.

I do not believe that the erection of this aerial complies with the guidelines set out under the Wokingham district councils environmental policy. Network companies must take a more responsible approach in designing antennas that will blend in with the environment. Portugal, Switzerland, Austria are all countries where this example and standard has been rigidly followed through by local planning authorities.

Yours faithfully,

Adrian Hunt

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Dear Ms Brown

Application TL/2001/5320

I refer to the above application and would like to register my objection. The orignal application under TL/2001/4074 was refused, and the current application is virtually identical.
The site of the proposed tower is at a junction which is not the safest, and this addition would make it even less safe.
It would also be visually dominant, and detract markedly from the area, particularly the view along Wellington Ave.
In addition there is the fear of radiation, proven or otherwise, and this is an area where many children catch buses to and from school.

It would also detract from the predominately residential nature of the area, and would impinge on the rural nature of Simons Wood.
I look forward to hearing from you

Yours sincerely

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To : Planning Services, E S Dept,
Wokingham District Council
Attention: Ms Nalalie Brown, Development Control Officer
Fax No.: 0118 974 6484

From : Gordon Bridge
Fax No. 01344 775641

Ref No.: Fax05/12/2001WDCESD/PS

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SUBJECT : Application No. TL/2001/5320 – Proposed erection of micro cell telecommunication tower plus cabinet

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Dear Ms Brown,

I write to protest the proposed installation of a 15m micro-cell telecommunications tower at the junction of Nine Mile Ride and Sandhurst Rd, (a near copy of earlier, refused, application No. TL/2001/4074), for the following reasons:

1. There is already a similar tower on the opposite side of this junction so use should be made of the existing, more distant site,

2. The appearance of any structure of this type is already totally out of keeping with the residential nature of the area,

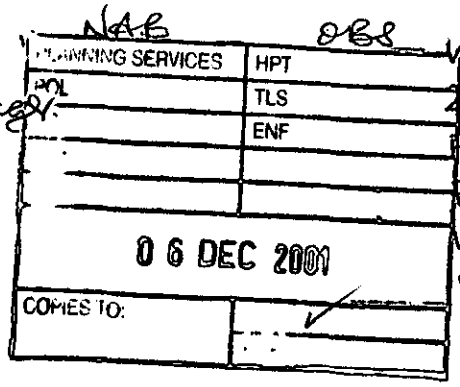
3. The real risk to residents, especially children, living nearby these masts, from emitted radiation which has been shown to raise the incidence of some forms of cancer. It is quite unacceptable, therefore, that these devices, with, as yet, no proven safety record, be imposed so close to a residential area.

Yours sincerely,

Gordon Bridge
Kingfishers Covert
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W.M.Salisbury
2 Little Fryth
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6 December 2001

Dear Natalie Brown,

Ref: Proposal to erect 15 Metre Telecommunications Tower
: Planning Ref TL/2001/5320

I am writing to object in the strongest possible terms to the erection of this tower for the following reasons.

1 The Orange company submitted an almost identical application in June 2001 application NO TL/2001/4074 which was refused by the council on 24 July 2001. This application is no different to the previous one for all the roads converge at the same point and this request is simply a different corner of the same road junction.

2 The design, height and location of the proposed tower would be visible, unescapable from public vantage points at an already dangerous junction.

3 The visually dominant and imposing structure in close proximity to residential dwellings would be a permanent Scar to the area.

4 Hollybush Ride is renowned for its beauty and exclusivity. It is within a wooded area. Local families use the ride leading to the facilities of the extremely Popular National Trust Woodland Simons Wood. The presence of a high tower would deter visitors and potential future residents adversely affecting the enjoyment and charm of the area and Property values.

5 There is an intensive documented public fear that the radio frequency radiation from the proposed Antenna could be harmful to the health of the residents particularly children; many of whom wait at that junction to catch School buses.

6 The local residents exercise a strong community concern for the quality of our environment. We are extremely vigilant in protecting this area from any insensitive, destructive, or environmentally damaging development.

I would hope that the council would reject this application; for collectively we will oppose it with all the legal and moral weapons at our disposal.

Yours sincerely,

W.M. Salisbury

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Your Ref: Natalie Brown TL/2001/5320

Dear Ms Brown

APPLICATION NUMBER: TL/2001/5320

I am writing to object to this application for a proposed 15m micro cell column on the junction of Nine Mile Ride and Sandhurst Road, Finchampstead, Wokingham.

Having read much about these columns, I am still far from convinced that they are safe from a health perspective, given the signal frequency radiation they emit. The siting of such a column close to residential homes (which have many young children) seems far from prudent given that their safety has yet to be proven beyond all doubt.

This leads to my next point, which is that this is a residential area and such a large construction will be seriously out of character. The housing has all been developed carefully so as not to detract from the beauty of all the natural woodland – the same could not be said for a 15m high telecommunications column! It will be an eyesore for both the residents and the many visitors to this area.

I would further point out that a similar application to build a telecommunications column in the same vicinity was turned down by the Council in July 2001. Surely the same reasoning in declining that proposal should be valid here.

I would be grateful if you could please let me know the outcome of this application.

Yours sincerely

Carole Richards

Carole Richards
(Mrs)

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4 December 2001

Dear Ms Brown

Application No: TL/2001/5320 – Junction of Nine Mile Ride & Sandhurst Road, Finchampstead. Proposed erection of 15 metre high micro cell column with 1 dual polar omni antenna plus equipment cabinet

We are writing to formally object to the above proposal by Orange PCS Ltd on the following grounds:

1: The original application (TL/2001/4074) refused by the Council on 24 July 2001 is virtually identical to the current one except that the word 'tower' has been replaced by the words 'micro cell column'.

2: The design, height and location of the proposed tower (or micro cell column) is readily visible and inescapable from public vantage points at an already busy and dangerous junction.

3: The physical appearance and visually dominant and imposing structure is out of keeping with the predominantly residential area, detracting from the current recreational amenity of this location to Simons Wood.

4: The micro cell column or tower will deter visitors and potential future residents adversely affecting the current enjoyment of the area and property values.

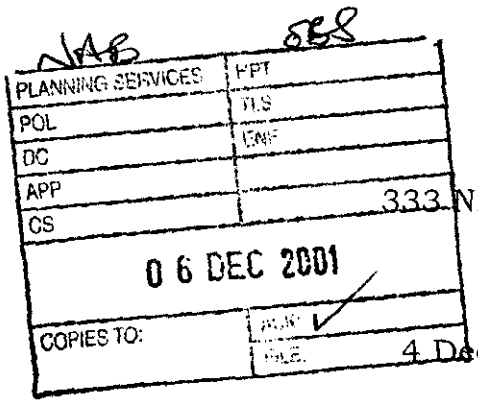
5: There is well documented public fear that the radio frequency radiation from proposed antenna could be harmful to the health of residents particularly children, many of whom wait at that junction to catch school buses.

6: There is a strong community vigilance to protect the area from insensitive, destructive and environmentally damaging development.

Yours sincerely

Yalen Campbell

Mr & Mrs A J Campbell



C L T Field
333 Nine Mile Ride
Wokingham
Berkshire
RG40 3NH

4 December 2001

Natalie Brown
Environmental Services Department
Planning Services
Wokingham District Council
P.O. Box 157
Shute End
Wokingham
Berkshire RG40 1WR

Dear Natalie

Application TL/2001/5320

With reference to the above application I would like to make the following comments.

The application is virtually the same as TL/2001/4074 which was refused by the council on the 24 July 2001. The only difference from the previous application is the change of the wording tower to that of high micro cell column.

Such a structure as that proposed would be an eye sore on the landscape in an area of outstanding natural beauty and would be totally out of keeping with the locality. This would have the effect of deterring new residents and visitors to the area and therefore adversely affecting, the enjoyment of local residents, and property values.

It is a well documented public fear that radiation from radio frequencies could be harmful to people, particularly children. The proposed location of the antenna is very close to where a number of children daily catch their school bus.

The residents of the area are regularly being bombarded with planning applications for new properties or structures such as this. The council must acknowledge that there is a very strong community spirit to do everything within residents power to protect the area from any further development and so maintain the beautiful location we live in.

I must admit I am surprised and shocked that the council even considered this application as it is clearly the same as that previously put forward, but for the description of the antenna. Why waste time, effort and money going through the process of considering a planning

application which is the "same" as that refused only five months earlier? If a process does not exist to let developers know that the such applications would not be considered, once refused, then the council should implement one forthwith. In times of increasing local taxes and reduced services I would sincerely hope that the council would be looking at all possible ways of reducing expenditure, and therefore making the authority a more efficient and cost effective organisation.

This application must be refused again.

Yours sincerely



C L T Field FCMA

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18 Ashdale Park
Sherburn
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Dear Sir

Ref TA/2001/5320

I wish to object to this application.

1. It would be unnecessarily close to the horses within Ashdale Park + Little Lyke
2. It would be very unsightly.
3. Orange should appeal the last refusal if they want to [illegible] it's not put in another application they disguised as the same as the last one

Yours faithfully

Martin Tickle/Lewis.

53 Ashdale Park,
Wokingham,
Berks., RG40 3QS.

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3rd December, 2001.

Dear Ms. Brown,

Re: application number TL/2001/5320

My husband and I wish to object very strongly to the above proposal and are extremely irritated at having to write again on a subject which we presumed to be settled when the original application TL/2001/4074 was refused by the council on 24th July, 2001. The new application is almost identical with the original, and a "Micro Cell column" is not an improvement on the earlier "Tower"!

Yet again let us reiterate our objections:

1. The design, height and location of the proposed tower would be readily visible, inescapable from public vantage points, and located at an already dangerous junction.

2. It would be quite out of keeping with a predominantly residential area to have such a dominating structure, and would detract considerably from the current recreational amenity of this location to Simons Wood.

3. It would deter visitors and potential future residents, adversely affecting both current enjoyment of the area and property values.

4. There is well documented public fear that the radio frequency radiation from the proposed antenna could be harmful to the health of residents, particularly children, many of whom wait at that junction to catch school buses.

5. We support strong community vigilance to protect this area from insensitive, destructive and environmentally damaging development.

Yours faithfully,

Valerie C. Gray

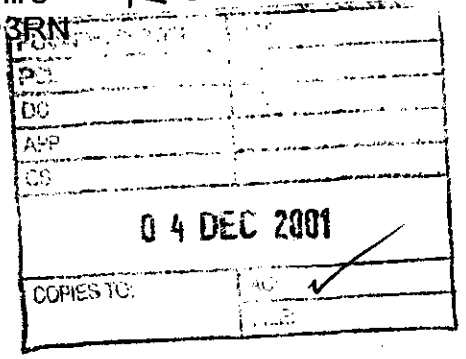
PP Colin and Valerie Gray

Attn. Ms. Natalie Brown,
Wokingham District Council,
Planning Services,
PO Box 157,
Shute End,
Wokingham, RG40 1WR.

Trevor and Dee Evans

29, Little Fryth
Wokingham
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December 1, 2001

Natalie Brown
Wokingham District Council
Environmental Services Department
Planning Services
PO Box 157
Wokingham
Berkshire
RG40 1WR

Dear Madam,

Subject: Local Planning Application TL/2001/5320

The above Local planning application at Nine Mile Ride has recently come to our attention and we are writing to you to express our objections to this request.

Our objections are as follows: -

1. The original application TL\2001\4074 was refused by the council in July 2001. This new application is virtually identical apart from the wording "Tower" on the original application and "micro cell column" on the new application.

2. The design, height and location of this tower mean that it would be readily visible from public vantagepoints at a junction that is already dangerous.

3. The physical appearance of this tower would be visually dominant and an imposing structure out of keeping with the residential area and detracting from the current recreational amenity of this location to Simon's Wood.

4. It would deter visitors and potential future residents adversely affecting the current ambience of the area and property values.

5. There is a well-documented public fear that the RF radiation from the proposed antenna could be harmful to the health of residents particularly children, many of whom wait at that junction to catch school buses.

6. There is a strong community vigilance to protect the area from insensitive destruction and environmentally damaging development.

We trust that you will consider these objections before making your final decision.

Yours Sincerely,

Trevor Evans.

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30 November 2001

Dear Sirs

TL / 2001 / 5320

I object most strongly to the granting of this application.

As the Planning Department of a District Council whose porcine squeals can be heard in Kent when anyone even uses the words "planning permission", you can all rest happy in the knowledge that, on this occasion, a rejection of the application actually serves the local community .

The effects of proximity to such technology has still to be proved; the place to prove it is nowhere near my family home or that of my neighbours.

Given the vast tracts of Forestry Land, local to the site and used only for dumping household waste or old caravans and for the driving of stolen cars, I would have thought that messrs. Orange could have reached an accommodation.

Failing that, I suggest their Managing Director buys a large, isolated home on Sandhurst Road and applies to have the item erected in his back garden.
It could double as a tree-house for his children.

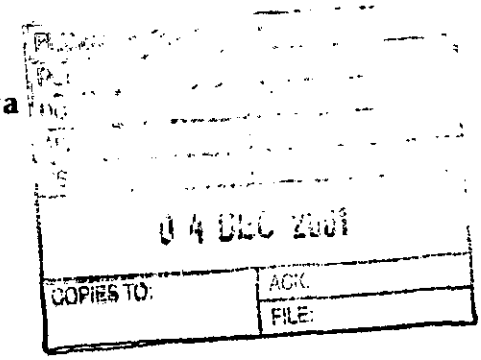
Kindly add this letter to the "NO" pile.

Yours faithfully

Roderick Baker

Wildacre . Hollybush Ride . Wokingham . RG40 3QR

Dr. F. Caldeira-Saraiva
Green Shadows
Hollybush Ride
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Ms Natalie Brown
Wokingham District Council
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Saturday, 01 December 2001

Dear Ms Brown

Planning Application No. TL/2001/5320
Site Address: Junction of Nine Mile Ride & Sandhurst Rd, Finchampstead
Proposal: Erection of 15m high micro cell column

I am writing to object to the proposed development for the following reasons.

The presemt application is virtually identical to original application TL/2001/4074 already refused by Council.

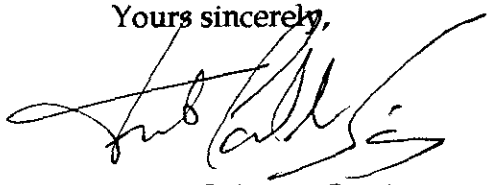
The proposed tower will be an imposing structure, visible from public vantage points and totally out of keeping with the predominantly residential nature of the area. It will be an eyesore and a blight on properties in the area.

Its presence will therefore adversely affect property prices, detract from the current recreational amenity of the location, deter visitors and potential future residents and reduce the current enjoyment of the area.

Radio frequency radiation is perceived as a threat to the health of the residents, particularly that of children, many of whom wait at that junction to catch school buses. Not only this is a serious consideration in itself but it will considerably reduce property values in the area as it will deter future buyers.

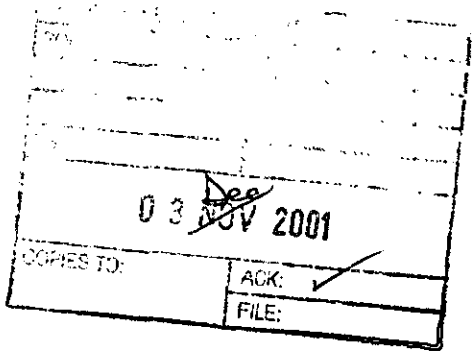
The community is particularly sensitive to threats to the environment and would feel this development in this location to be insensitive and crass. I hope therefore that the Council will reject the planning application.

Yours sincerely,



Dr. F. Caldeira-Saraiva

cc Mr W Salisbury



35 Ashdale Park
Finchampstead
Wokingham
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RG40 3QS

29 November 2001

Dear Ms Brown,

Application TL/2001/5320

Proposed erection of Telecom Tower at junction of Nine Mile Ride / Sandhurst Road

This is the second application for a Tower on this site. The first was rejected only this summer. Why are we having to go through this agro again. Why cannot the council and the telecom industry understand we do not want a tower on this junction.

The structure would be completely out of context with the area, effect the environment, property market value and destroy the natural beauty of this very special part of the borough.

Until proven otherwise there is the unknown factor of radio frequency radiation from the proposed antenna which could be harmful to local residents.

If they must erect a tower for goodness sake find a remote area or field away from residential property.

We wish to again lodge our objection to this proposal

Yours Faithfully,

D. N. Utton

Tel. (0118) 974 6492

Date: 28 November 2001

My Ref: Natalie Brown TL/2001/5320

The Owner / Occupier
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Dear Sir/Madam

Application Number: TL/2001/5320

Site Address: Junction Of Nine Mile Ride &, Sandhurst Road, Finchampstead, Wokingham.

Proposal: Proposed erection of 15 metre high micro cell column with 1 dual polar omni antenna plus equipment cabinet.

We have been consulted by Orange P C S Ltd of their intention to carry out the above mentioned telecommunications development.

The application can be viewed at this office from 8.30am to 5.00pm Monday to Thursday and 8.30am to 4.00 Friday or at Woodley Library, Headley Road, Woodley from 9.30am to 7.00pm Monday, Thursday and Friday, 9.30am to 5.00pm Tuesdays and 9.30am to 1.00pm Saturdays. The library is closed all day on Wednesdays. If you are intending to view the details at Woodley Library please allow 4 days from the date of receipt of this letter for the plans to be delivered. **If you intend to view this application at Woodley Library please allow 4 days from the date of this letter for delivery of plans and remember to take this letter with you or quote application number TL/2001/5320 to enable the library staff to locate the correct information.**

If you have any comments regarding this proposal they must be made in writing and addressed to the case office, **Natalie Brown**, quoting application number ***TL/2001/5320*** & should you have any queries please contact the case officer on **(0118) 974 6492**.

All comments must be received within 21 days of the date of this letter and will be open to public view.

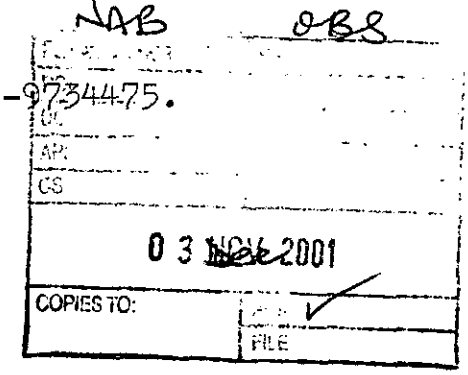
Yours faithfully,

Natalie Brown

Development Control Officer

NAB OBS

Tele: 0118-9734475.



332 Nine Mile Ride,
Finchampstead,
Berkshire,
RG40 3NJ.

29th November 2001.

Dear Madam,

I am writing with reference to the application TL/2001/5320. to install a telecommunications Aerial at the junction of Nine Mile Ride and Sandhurst Road, Finchampstead.

I am opposed to such a Installation project on grounds that Radio Frequency Transmitters are not safe things to live near. I would like to say that I am not without knowledge of these type of Installations having spent some fifty five years in the Electrical trade. And it is on these grounds that I am opposed to the application, if this should go ahead I will most certainly move from this area.

Yours sincerely,

H.J. Lovejoy.

H.J.Lovejoy.

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I feel so strong about this issue that I will advise the people in the area to oppose the application. If this goes ahead it will be'hallo Leukaemia'.

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29 November, 2001

Environmental Services Department
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Dear Ms Brown:

Re: TL/2001/5320

We are writing to object in the strongest possible terms to the proposed planning application to erect a 15metre high telecommunications tower at the junction of Nine Mile Ride and Sandhurst Road, Finchampstead.

We wrote to you in June 2001 to object to a similar request from Orange, at the corner of Hollybush Ride and Lower Wokingham Road (ref TL/2001/4074, addressed to Ms Connor). As you probably know, these roads all converge at the same point, so this new request is simply a different corner of the same road junction. Essentially therefore, our arguments are the same and are repeated here.

Our main objection is based on the recent studies concerning radio frequency radiation and the potential damage to health, especially in children. The surrounding area is predominately residential, with a high proportion of family homes, as indicated by the number of schools and nurseries in the immediate area.

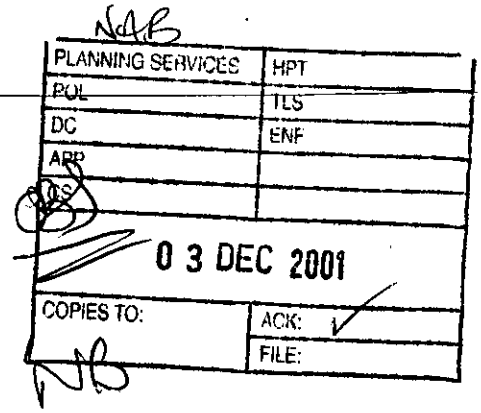
The area also contains a large amount of woodland. We are all striving to protect such landscapes and environments, and the building of these towers in woodland locations is damaging.

We, as a local community, have also demonstrated our high regard for protecting the local environment from destructive development of any kind, in an area of outstanding natural beauty. Hollybush Ride forms one of the main entrances to Simons Wood, an extremely popular National Trust woodland, and the position and design of such a tower would be completely out of keeping with such a beautiful area and a deterrent to people wishing to benefit from the woods.

We would welcome your response to this letter, and confirmation that Orange in fact own the land on which they propose to erect such a risk to the local public.

Yours sincerely,

Carol And Adam Johnson



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Correspondent_Telephone: 01344 780563
Correspondent_Email: richardfenny@netscapeonline.co.uk

Comments:

I object to this latest and further development of the Holly Cottage Nursery School.
The school is situated on a rural road in the key green gap between Wokingham and Crowthorne. Since the original conversion from a small residential cottage the school has attracted significant additional traffic onto Heathlands Road.
The incremental development of the site brings more traffic with resulting noise and pollution and impacts on the "street scene" in a way that the original cottage did not.
At what point will the council stop the development creep on this site?

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D.A. Stock
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Wokingham
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12th December 2001

Dear Ms. Brown,

Re Application TL/2001/5320

I am writing to register our objections to the above application.

1. The original application, (TL/2001/4074) was refused by the council on 24th July, 2001. The new application is virtually identical, barring the change from "tower" to "micro-cell column". Is there any physical difference between the two?

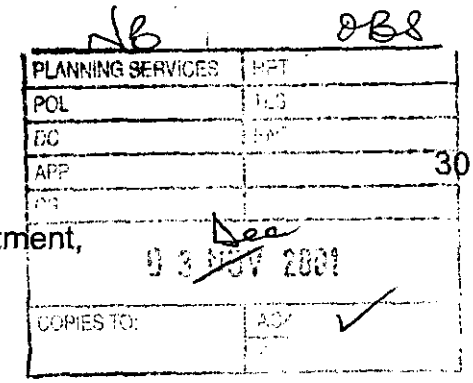
2. The design, height, and location of the proposed tower is readily visible, and would be sited at an already dangerous junction. The physical appearance would be out of keeping with a predominantly residential area.

3. There is a well documented public fear that the radio frequency radiation from the proposed antenna could be harmful to the health of residents, particularly children, many of whom, including my own, wait at that junction to catch school buses.

Yours faithfully,

D.A. Stock

Garsdale,
Soldiers Rise,
Wokingham,
Berkshire, RG40 3NF



30 November, 2001

Ms. Natalie Brown,
Development Control Officer,
Environmental Services Department,
Planning Services,
P.O. Box 157,
Shute End,
Wokingham,
Berkshire, RG40 1WR

Dear Ms. Brown,

Re : Application Number TL/2001/5320

Thank you for your letter of 28 November regarding the proposed erection by Orange PCS Ltd. of a 15 metre high micro cell column at the junction of Nine Mile Ride and Sandhurst Road.

I am totally against this proposal and would be disappointed if it went ahead. Mobile phones are useful at certain times, but most of the time are a direct intrusion. Moreover, having this phone mast in the proposed place is too close to residential houses etc. and impacts on the local environment.

Yours faithfully,

Helen Allan

Helen Allan, Mrs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND HOUSING

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To: Natalie Brown
Development Control

Your Ref: TL/2001/5320

From: John Mullaney
Environmental Heath

My Ref:

Date. December 13, 2001

PROPOSED: ERECTION OF 1 MICRO CELL COLUMN WITH EQUIPMENT CABINET

LOCATION: JUNCTION NINE MILE RIDE/SANDHURST ROAD

Having considered the Environmental Health implications of the above planning application, I 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 in the U.K. They are continually reviewing the vast body of world-wide research on the subject.

The NRPBs' current advice is that there is no proven human health risk 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 phone 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 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.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND HOUSING

WOKINGHAM D.C. DEVELOPMENT CONTROL 56 DAYS

Start date:	26 NOV 2001
Officer: NAB	Application No. TL/2001/5320

Map No. 99 Site 001
Easting: ..... Flood Pln .....
Northing: ..... Mineral .....

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

Description:
(TL) PROPOSED ERECTION OF 15M HIGH MICRO CELL COLUMN WITH 1 DUAL POLAR OMNI ANTENNA PLUS EQUIPMENT CABINET

Location: JUNCTION ~~A321~~ of SANDHURST ROAD & NINE MILE RIDE

Parish: FINCHAMPSTEAD Ward: Finch. North.
28-11-01 B.

Applicant: ORANGE PCS Ltd.

Fee (10) Received 190-00 Required ..... Additional ..... Refund .....

Enforcement Section to be notified ☐ tick if required

Additional information required for validation

		Reason	Requested	Received
1	1:2500 OS location plan showing property edged in blue/red			
2	1:500 block plan showing existing & proposed dev. + adj. Properties			
3	Forms unsigned			
4	Correct S 66 certificate			
5	Elevation plans			
6	Floor plans			
7	Metric scale disclaimer			
8	Encroachment letter			
9	Miscellaneous			

APPLN NO. _____

ACTION REQUIRED BY DEVELOPMENT CONTROL

Conservation Area .....

Listed Building 1 2 2*

Advertisement Required .....

Date Site Notice Sent : 28.11.01.23 Parish Council Informed - YES / NO

INTERNAL CONSULTATIONS

Building Control .....
Landscape .....
Trees .....
Conservation Officer .....
Environmental Health ✓ .....
Housing .....
Leisure & Cultural services .....
Public Rights of Way ✓ .....
Property .....
District Secretary (only if called in by SOS) .....
Policy & Plans .....
Strategic Planning (JSPU) .....
Minerals (INTERNAL) .....
Archaeological Site (BABTIE) : .....
Education .....
Social Services ✓ .....
Highways .....

EXTERNAL CONSULTATIONS

Adjacent D P A : .....
Adjacent Parish : .....
Southern Electricity Board .....
British Gas .....
PSA Oil Pipeline .....
Transco : .....
Environment Agency .....

Rail Track .....
Police Arch. Liaison Officer .....

HERITAGE BODIES

The Georgian Group .....
Ancient Monuments Society .....
Council for British Arch. .....
RCHME .....
Telecommunications (NRPB) : .....
Sport England : .....

OTHERS:

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NEIGHBOURS:

See map.

Applicationo	Name & Address
TL/2001/4074	W. G. Ashton 4 Little Fryth Berkshire RG40 3RN
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TL/2001/4074	Mr & Mrs Gray 53 Ashdale Park Wokingham Berkshire RG40 3QS
TL/2001/4074	Mr Paul St. Clair Terry Badgers' Spinney F Finchampstead Berkshire RG40 3QP
TL/2001/4074	Mr Gordon Bridge Kingfishers Covert Hollybush Ride Finchampstead Berkshire RG40 3QP
TL/2001/4074	Mrs C Richards 18 Little Fryth Finchampstead Wokingham RG40 3RN
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