APPLICATION NO:

TL/2001/3297

LOCATION:

Land Adjacent To The Square, Chalfont Way, Earley Reading.

APPLICANT:

Orange PCS Ltd C/O Patrick Farfan Associates Ltd

PROPOSAL:

Proposed erection of a 11.8 metre high free standing telecommunications pole with 1 omni antennae.

EARLIEST DATE FOR DECISION: **05/03/2001**

APPLICATION WILL HAVE EXPIRED ON: 19/03/2001

CASE OFFICER: **Joss Miller**

Refused

REFUSED

* * * COMMUNICATION RESULT REPORT (14.MAR.2001 18:58) * * *

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TO: Mr P Fitzgerald

FROM: Joss Miller

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SUBJECT: TL/2001/8297

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WOKINGHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACTS

REFUSAL OF PRIOR APPROVAL OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS NOTIFICATION

Mr P Fitzgerald
Patrick Farfan Associates Ltd
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Park Lane
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Middlesex
UB9 6NZ

Notification No: TL/2001/3297

Parish: Earley

Proposal: Proposed erection of 11.8 metres high free-standing telecommunications *pole with one omni antennae.*

Location: Land adjacent to The Square, Chalfont Way, Earley.

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

1. The proposal is unacceptable in view of its proximity to residential properties.

Date: 14 March 2001

Development Control Manager

Tel: (0118) 974 6463

Date:

My ref: TL/2001/3297

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Yours faithfully

John Mitchell
Development Control Manager

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This form must be received no later than _____

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Case officer: **Joss Miller** Application Number: **TL/2001/3297**
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Transfer: Yes ☐ No ☐
Reason for Transfer:

_____

_____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Councillor F Rolls

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

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Date:

My ref: TL/2001/3297

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T/2001/3297
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31st January 2001

Dear Sir

NOTICE

Proposed installation of Orange Microcell at BRK7085

Further to my discussion with your office regarding microcell rollout in Wokingham, I give formal notice for prior approval determination for the development referenced above.

Orange is licensed under Section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 to develop a personal communications network and have designed the microcell to provide localised coverage to areas where a large macrocell mast development would be inappropriate

The enclosed plans show our proposal to locate a microcell street cabinet and antenna column to provide coverage to subscribers of the Orange mobile network in the area of Rushey Way and as required under the terms of their licence to the DTI.

Orange, by virtue of the DTI licence, is a Code System Operator and is therefore entitled to carry out this development under Part 24 of The Town and Country General Permitted Development Order 1995.

This letter should be treated as formal notice of our intention to install the equipment and under the terms of our licence you have 42 days, from receipt of this notice, to make any representations you may have concerning the development.

Please do not hesitate in contacting me if you would like any further information and I would be grateful if you would kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter, the £35.00 fee is enclosed in settlement for charges.

Yours faithfully,

Paul Fitzgerald
07971 162758

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1: Pre-Application Consultation with Local Planning Authority

(i) Licence notification i.e. pre roll out of network	Date.....
Name of L.P.A. Contact.....	
Phone # of L.P.A. Contact.....	

(ii) On sites in specific cell(s)	Date: **30th January 2001**
Name of L.P.A. Contact	**Mrs Hurst**
Phone # of L.P.A. Contact	**0118 974 6000**

2A: Name and Address of Applicant

Name	**ORANGE PCS Ltd**		
Address	**Black Arrow House, 2-3 Floor, 2 Chandos Road, London, NW10 6NF**		
Postcode	**NW10 6NF**	Tel	**0208 963 4100**

2B: Agent's Name, Address and Contact

Name	**PATRICK FARFAN ASSOCIATES**		
Address	**Unit C, Quay West, Salamander Quay, Park Lane, Harefield**		
Postcode	**UB8 6NZ**	Tel	**01895 823700**
Contact	**Paul Fitzgerald**	Tel	**07971 162758**

2C: Location of Proposal

Location: **Rushey Way, Lower Earley, Reading**

2D: O.S. Sheet / Grid Reference

Sheet and six figure grid reference of proposed development

Sheet Grid Reference **E 474009** **N 169774**

3: Purpose of Development

This microcell column development is designed to provide localised coverage where larger macrocell towers would be inappropriate. The development is designed to serve the residential area in which it is sited and will remove the need for larger developments elsewhere in the borough to provide coverage levels required under Orange's DTI licence.

4: The Proposed Structure *(Enclose a site plan and indicate details of cell boundaries, and whether shared mast / tower or freestanding)*

(i) Type of Structure (e.g. tower, mast etc): **Column**

.Overall height: **11.8m**

(ii) Equipment Housing

Street cabinet of overall dimension 0.98 cubic metres.

(iii) Materials (as applicable) Tower / mast etc: type of material and external colour

Light Aircraft Grey BS381 C 627

Equipment housing: type of material and external colour

Light Aircraft Grey BS381 C 627

(iv) Location of and Distance to nearest residential or commercial property (where applicable)

5: Distance from Airfield or Aerodrome (Please tick as appropriate)

Will the structure be within 3 km of an aerodrome or airfield?	**NO**
Has the CAA or Secretary of State for Defence been notified?	**NO**

Signed..... Date 5/2/01

On behalf of PATRICK FARFAN ASSOCS. LTD

WORK SHEET FOR : Joss Miller

Application Number : TL/2001/3297

Applicant : Orange PCS Ltd C/O Patrick Farfan Associates Ltd.

Location : Land Adjacent To , The Square, Chalfont Way, Earley, Reading.

Proposal : Proposed erection of a 11.8 metre high free standing *telecommunications pole with 1 omni antennae.*

Site Notice Displayed ? :	YES	NO	DATE
	✓		12/2

Date of Neighbour Notifications : 8 5/2

Date of Site Visit : 12/2/01

Date Registered : 05/02/2001

Earliest Date for Decision : 05/03/2001

Latest Consultation Date/Site Notice Expiry Date : 05/03/2001

This application will have expired on: 19/03/2001. 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 :

20 residents object - health - effect on amenity
Env-health - no objection.
Early TC - Prox. res. vis amenity

Planning Issues :

Effect on neighbouring properties and street scene.

Application Number: TL/2001/3297

Appraisal :

This application is for a mast 11.8m high.

The boundaries are open and the mast would be in a prominent location to the street scene.

The closest neighbour is approx 30m from the mast. 20 residents have written to object to it - some have concerns relating to health issues. This location is therefore unsuitable for a mast.

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

Application Number TL/2001/3297
Conditions/Reasons for Refusal

No	Std Con	Std Reas	Non Std Conditions / Reasons for Refusal
			Refusal due to proximity of res. properties.

RECORD OF SITE VISIT

SITE ADDRESS: Land Adjacent To The Square, Chalfont Way Earley Reading.

APPLICATION NUMBER: TL/2001/3297

OFFICER: Joss Miller

DATE OF SITE VISIT: 12/2

1 SITE/STATUTORY NOTICE DISPLAYED ? Yes.

2. DESCRIPTION OF SURROUNDINGS

lt. sett.

3. DESCRIPTION OF SITE/BUILDING

open area

4. RELATIONSHIP TO ADJOINING PROPERTIES

Close to res. properties.

5. SITE CONSTRAINTS

TREES —

ACCESS/PARKING —

LEVELS approx 1m higher than

BOUNDARY TREATMENT open. highway.

OTHERS —

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Date April 23, 2002
My ref. TGW/TL/2001/3297 & TL/2001/3667

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Dear Mr Scott

INSTALLATION OF BT CELLNET COMMUNICATION POLE: RUSHEY WAY, LOWER EARLEY, BERKSHIRE

I refer to the above and your letter of 1 March received by this office on 8 March. Please accept my apologies for the delay in replying which has been due to pressures of work within the section.

Having now had the opportunity to look at the details as they relate to these applications, I can advise you that the Council refused permission for both of the proposals. Subsequent to this, the applicants lodged an appeal against the decision and this appeal was dealt with by way of a hearing on 8 November 2001.

Following on from this, having considered all the evidence together with representations from local residents, the Inspector allowed the appeal and furthermore awarded costs against this Council. I enclose a copy of the Inspector's decision for this appeal for your information.

Provided the equipment is erected in accordance with the approved details, the applicant is, I am afraid, now entitled to proceed with the installation.

I trust that these comments are of assistance, and may I again apologise for the delay in this reply.

Yours sincerely

TGW

TREVOR WATSON
Development Control Manager

Enclosure: Copy of Appeal Decision

Appeal Decision

Hearing held on 08 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 5 DEC 2001

Appeal Ref: APP/X0360/A/01/1068474
Land at Rushey Way, Lower Earley, Reading

- 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/2000/3667), dated 30 March 2001, was refused by notice dated 18 May 2001.
- The development proposed is erection of 11.8m high free-standing telecommunication pole with one antenna and associated 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.

Main Issues

3. 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

4. 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.

5. 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, which relates closely to Structure Plan Policy TC1, is of greatest relevance to this appeal. As with other policies relating to the draft Local Plan, I shall take it 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).

6. 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 below.

7. 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 in 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.

8. 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.

9. 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. Both Policies indicate that development will not be permitted where it would threaten these important open areas. Their aim is to provide physical or visual separation between settlements or communities that are close together. The areas covered by these designations include the gap between Lower Earley, and Shinfield to the south. Land to the east of this gap, and to the east of Cutbush Lane, is designated as Countryside. According to Policy WCC1 of the draft Local Plan, development will only be allowed in exceptional circumstances. It goes on to state that development will only be acceptable in principle where it falls into a number of categories. These include 'other development appropriate to the countryside which cannot be accommodated within a settlement'.

Reasons

10. Rushey Way is one of three roads which, together, encircle the central part of Lower Earley. The section containing the appeal site rises quite steeply from the roundabout junction with Beeston Way to the east. It is also in a cutting. The proposed monopole would be erected within the grass verge on the northern side of the road. The slope behind it rises steeply towards a public recreation area to the north. The upper slopes to both banks of the cutting are quite densely vegetated with trees and shrubs. At the top of the southern slope, a timber fence delineates the rear boundary to properties fronting Tilney Way and Fakenham Close. To their south, the land drops away steeply towards Lower Earley Way and the M4 motorway.

11. **Visual Impact** The proposed monopole would have a slim profile and, to that extent, it would resemble the street lights that line the southern edge of the carriageway. While it would be taller than the lamp posts, its visual impact would be limited because of its siting in a cutting and because of the backcloth of trees. I find the proposed development to be acceptable in visual terms, subject to a condition as to its colour.

12. **Alternatives** I am satisfied that alternative sites for a microcell development have been considered by the operator. It is argued that the mast is needed to serve a localised 'coverage hole' embracing properties to the south, the southwest and the east; this results from the comparative steepness of the terrain and the extent of tree cover. Various alternatives to the present proposal, which included the mounting of antennae on the local supermarket roof, were ruled out, either because of opposition from the Council or the unwillingness of the landowner involved. If a short range microcell solution is to be adopted, I find the present proposal acceptable in terms of its siting and design.

13. The Council advocates a different solution, siting the equipment beyond the built up area. It accepts that this would entail a taller structure than the one proposed. In my view, however, this would be contrary to those of its own policies that are aimed at protecting the countryside and green gaps/wedges. The footbridge leading to the end of Cutbush Lane provides an excellent vantage point over the open land to the south of Lower Earley. Much of this is unspoilt. I believe that a tall tower would have a considerable impact within this general area and that such development should be resisted, certainly as an alternative to the present proposal.

14. The possibility of mounting antennae on an electricity pylon was also aired at the hearing. This is a solution that has been adopted for a part of Winnersh to the north of the M4. In this case, however, the pylon in question would be further away from the area to be served, and because of the local landform and the intervening trees, it is unclear whether such an option would provide a sufficient degree of coverage. 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. The proposed development would be some 25m from the nearest dwelling (in Tilney Way) and some 17m from its rear fence. The data 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. **Other Matters** It is apparent from the Council's hearing statement that it has based its reason for refusal – that 'the proposal is unacceptable in view of its proximity 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.

18. Regarding conditions, I consider that one is needed regarding the colour of the proposed mast and the equipment cabin. This is to ensure that the structures are as unobtrusive as possible.

Conclusions

19. 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 in terms of its siting and design.

Formal Decision

20. 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 11.8m high free-standing telecommunications pole with one antenna and equipment cabin on land at Rushey Way, Lower Earley, Reading, in accordance with the terms of the application (Ref. TL/2000/3667) dated 30 March 2001, and the plans submitted therewith, subject to the condition that:

    (1) No development shall take place until details of the proposed colour of the mast and equipment cabin 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

21. 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.

22. 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.

Chris Bishop.

Inspector

APPEARANCES

FOR THE APPELLANT:

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Mr R Francis BA	Orange PCS Ltd.
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 J Miller BArch	Planning Officer.

INTERESTED PERSONS:

Mrs F Rolls	Ward Councillor, Wokingham District Council

DOCUMENTS

Document	1	List of persons present at the hearing
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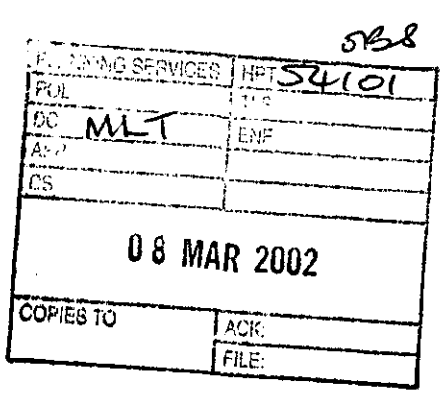
Document	3	Policies in respect of Green Gaps/Wedges and the Countryside
Document	4	Appeal decisions tabled by Orange PCS Ltd.
Document	5	Notification of planning approval by WDC
Document	6	Coverage map – Lower Earley
Document	7	Telecommunications sites – Lower Earley
Document	8	Location of planning application

PLANS

Plan A The appeal plan



31 Tilney Way
Lower Earley
Reading
Berkshire
1 March 2002

Wokingham District Council
Shute End
Wokingham
Berkshire
Attention: Joss Miller-Planning Dept

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Planning Application 2001/3297 – Original and 2001/3667 – Revised April 2001 -Installation of BT Cellnet Communication Pole – Rushey Way, Lower Earley, Berkshire

I am writing to you to inform you that I and all my fellow neighbours are absolutely disgusted at the above installation. The positioning is totally irresponsible. The aerial is level with my Back Bedroom window which is approx only 20 metres away. What an eyesore to wake up to each morning!! You have de-valued my property – do I get a reduction in my Council Tax!! I have a young family including a baby of only 6 months old and we are very concerned at the health implications. Would you like one virtually in your back garden!! Since the erection of this unsightly pole we have suffered constant interference through our TV, we have no decent picture from the TV now or a decent picture from our Window!!

How on earth was Planning Permission granted in the first place for this to be allowed.!! If this Pole had to be erected in this vicinity why on earth was it not positioned on the wasteland adjacent to where it has been placed. After all, there is approx. 10 acres of this wasteland. I urgently request you to consider moving this monstrosity completely or if you deem it necessary, onto the wasteland as mentioned.

I invite you to visit my house and see for yourself how unsightly this is and how close it is to my garden where my child will be playing soon!!

Cont'd.....

I will not let this matter rest until I receive some assurance from your goodselves that this pole will be removed. I will be writing to my MP, as will my neighbours asking for his support on this very important environmental and health issue.

I look forward to your comments by return of post. Should a reply not be forthcoming I will have no hesitation in contacting the Ombudsman.

Yours disgusted

L Scott

Lee Scott

CC BT Cellnet Head Office
260 Bath Road
Slough
SL1 4DX

CC John Redwood MP

Joss Miller

From: Lawrence, Julie [julie.lawrence@reading.gov.uk]
Sent: 20 April 2001 15:55
To: 'Joss Miller'
Subject: RE: TL/2001/3668

Importance: High

Thankyou, I have now received my letter as promised.

As suggested in your email, I wish to request that you transfer my comments relating to planning application number TL/2001/3297 to this application. I should be grateful if you could please let me know the outcome of this application at the appropriate time.

Thankyou for your attention to this matter.

Julie Lawrence (0118 939 0566)

-----Original Message-----
From: Joss Miller [mailto:Joss.Miller@wokingham.gov.uk]
Sent: 18 April 2001 09:24
To: 'Lawrence, Julie'
Subject: RE: TL/2001/3668

Dear Ms Lawrence,

I have spoken to the Admin Section again - a letter will be sent to you shortly. My apologies once again for any inconvenience caused with regard to the delay.

I have spoken to the agents for the current application, and have been advised that the application is identical to that of TL/2001/3297, although additional information has been submitted. If you, or any of your neighbours, have concerns relating to this application, please write in to express your views so they can be formally noted on the relevant file. As you have already written in regarding the previous application, you may write to request that your comments be transfered to the current application. Please quote this number - (TL/2001/3668).

I hope this information is of use to you. However, if I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me either by email or telephone (0118) 9746463.

Yours sincerely

Joss Miller

> -----Original Message-----
> From: Lawrence, Julie [SMTP:julie.lawrence@reading.gov.uk]
> Sent: 17 April 2001 09:44
> To: 'Joss Miller'
> Subject: RE: TL/2001/3297
> Importance: High
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> I do not appear to have received notification as yet. I am, however, more
> concerned to note that a further application appears to have been made
> (your
> ref 2001/3667); could you please let me know whether this is identical to
> the previous application and if not, how does it differ?
>
> Julie Lawrence (0118 939 0566)

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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Joss Miller [mailto:Joss.Miller@wokingham.gov.uk]
> Sent: 09 April 2001 09:46
> To: 'Lawrence, Julie'
> Subject: RE: TL/2001/3297
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> Dear Ms Lawrence,
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> I have looked up the file and it appears that, unfortunately, the letters
> informing the neighbours of the decision have been overlooked. I have
> passed the file onto the administration section and asked them to deal
> with
> this matter at their earliest convenience. Thankyou for drawing my
> attention to this oversight, and my apologies for any inconvenience
> caused.
> If you have not heard anything by the end of next week, please feel free
> to
> contact me and I will chase the matter up again.
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> Yours sincerely
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> Joss Miller
> > -----Original Message-----
> > From: Lawrence, Julie [SMTP:julie.lawrence@reading.gov.uk]
> > Sent: 02 April 2001 13:25
> > To: 'Joss.Miller@wokingham.gov.uk'
> > Subject: FW: TL/2001/3297
> > Importance: High
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> > With regard to our recent telephone conversation, I do not appear to
> have
> > yet received formal communication that this application was not
> approved.
> > Is
> > there some delay with the paperwork or have you perhaps mislaid my
> address
> > (30 Tilney Way)???
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> > Julie Lawrence (0118 939 0566)
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> > > -----Original Message-----
> > > From: Lawrence, Julie
> > > Sent: 19 March 2001 11:53
> > > To: 'Joss.Miller@wokingham.gov.uk'
> > > Subject: TL/2001/3297
> > > Importance: High
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> > > Further to our previous emails, one or two of us have been
> > unsuccessfully
> > > telephoning your office to establish the decision made regarding this
> > > application. Your original email to me explained that the decision
> would
> > > be publicly available from 15 March 2001. Please could you email the
> > > information to me asap.
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> > > Thankyou.
> > >
> > > Julie Lawrence (0118 939 0566)
> > >

Ian Jordan

From: WebComments@wokingham.gov.uk
Sent: 03 May 2001 08:41
To: ian.jordan@wokingham.gov.uk
Subject: Comments on Planning Applications

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NatureofEmail: Object
ApplicationNumber: TL/2001/3667
Correspondent_FullName: David Price
Correspondent_StreetAddress: 15, Tiptree Close
Correspondent_Address2: Lower Earley
Correspondent_Town: Reading
Correspondent_County: Berkshire
Correspondent_PostCode: RG6 4HS
Correspondent_Telephone: 0118 9547081
Correspondent_Email: dhprice@ntlworld.com

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Comments:

I object to this application on the same grounds as for the previous application TL/2001/3297. Please take those comments into account when reviewing this application (TL/2001/3667).

19 WICKFORD WAY
LOWER EARLEY
READING RG6 4HP

12-MAR-2001

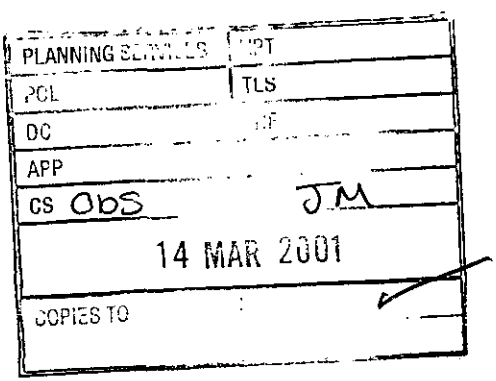
REF: TL/2001/3297.

Dear Sir/Madam,

This letter is to register my objection in the strongest possible terms to the proposed erection of an ORANGE mast on Rushey Way, which is just yards away from my home.

Regards

IAN MEGARITY



Tel. 0118 987 2821
Email: l.starling@expresspoint.co.uk
j.starling@expresspoint.co.uk

7 Wickford Way,
Lower Early,
Reading,
Berks.,
RG6 4HP

Ref TL/2001/3297
C.C. Earley Town Council

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writting to you to let you know that we are opposed to the Orange Mast going up just aft Rushey Way. Why did you lead us to believe it was in Chalfont Square??

Yours Sincerely

Janet Starling

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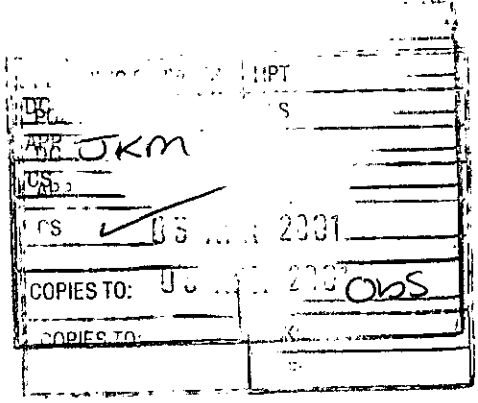


FAO: Jos Miller
Wokingham District Council

Ref: TL/2001/3297

Please be aware that we at No. 11 Wickford Way, Lower Earley, are hereby submitting a complaint against the Planning Application submitted by Orange, to erect a 35 foot microwave aerial on land adjacent to our property.

Our property is located on the very edge of Wickford Way, and the side of the property looks out onto an open and very public field, with a public footpath running alongside and behind our property, where the proposed mast would be erected.

Our concerns, like others on this estate are:

1. It is not unproved that aerial Masts of the nature that Orange wish to erect, are not linked with cancer or other health risks. This is a very fundamental, and very serious concern and should not be taken lightly. I enclose a copy of an article from The Sunday Times 4th March 2001 'Pylons are cancer risk - official'. I accept that the article is discussing power cables, but microwave aerials have also been associated with health risks.

2. Hillside Primary school is only yards from the area proposed. Considering the high number of children in this area, it is extremely inconsiderate, to say the least, that this area should even be considered for such a project.

3. This is an open and public area, with some landscaped, and some (although very few, and quite small) areas of natural beauty where at the moment, children and adults enjoy the open areas freely. Any further development in this area would destroy what natural beauty/animals/plants there is.

4. It is a very visually public area in Lower Earley, especially visible from Chalfont Way and Rushey Way, as well as a public access area for a large number of pedestrians both to and from Asda and other amenities. A 35 foot mast will definitely not add any visual advantage to the landscape to the area whatsoever!

5. We've already lost a third of the area to construction - KwiksSave, another petrol station, A Pub - how much more is the Council going to pillage away before it realises the damage these projects will cause?

6. And yes, it will reduce the value of our homes. But considering the above, its the least of ours, or your problem!

We would add more, but we feel we have expressed our concern and disapproval for the proposed project. In our view, this plan should not be granted, or even considered.

Yours sincerely

The Loyal Family

5, Wickford Way
Lower Earley
Reading
Berks
RG6 4HP

Your Ref: TL/2001/3297

20th March 2001

Dear Sir,

I write with reference to the application to erect a mast, for 'Orange', near my home.

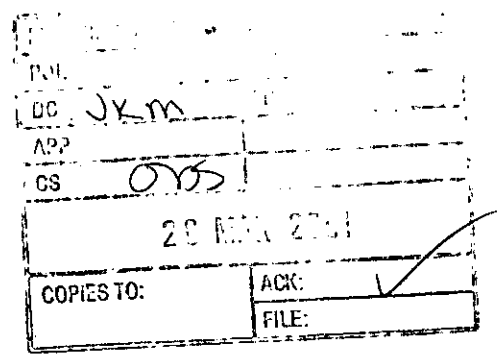
In your recent letter of notification, it was stated that the mast would be in Chalfont Square. On inspection of the plan of application, it is found that the mast is to be erected just off Rushey Way, extremely close to Wickford Way.

I find this unacceptable and therefore oppose the application. Why were we misled into thinking it would be near Asda and the other shops?

Yours faithfully

J.B.Seys

J.B.Seys (Mrs)



Ian Jordan

From: WebComments@wokingham.gov.uk
Sent: 13 February 2001 22:01
To: ian.jordan@wokingham.gov.uk
Subject: Comments on Planning Applications

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2001/3297

NatureofEmail: Object
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Correspondent_Address2: Lower Earley
Correspondent_Town: Reading
Correspondent_County: BERKS
Correspondent_PostCode: RG6 4HP
Correspondent_Telephone:
Correspondent_Email:

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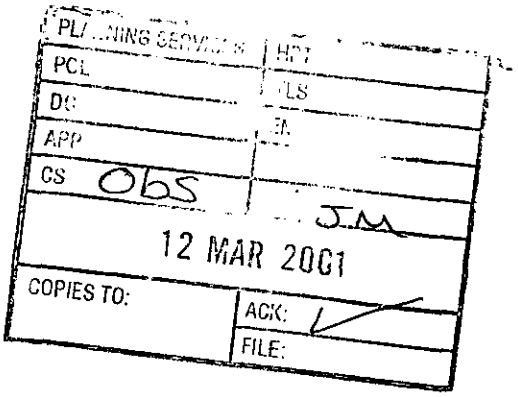
Comments:

Totally unsuitable for area.
ugly and potentially dangerous object near childrens play area,near primary school and highly populated area



18 Wickford Way
Lower Earley
Reading
Berkshire
RG6 4HP

08 March 2001

Dear Mr Miller

Application Number: TL/2001/3297

We are writing to voice our grave concerns concerning the above proposal. We are totally against the proposed erection of an 11.8 metre high telecommunications pole near to the back of our property. We feel this will be both detrimental to our own property, our health and also to the local community.

The site proposed is alongside a park that is used by all ages. This is an area for leisure and relaxation where there is no housing development in a very large and built up housing estate. Because of its elevated position the telecommunications pole would be an eyesore to all. We assume that the elevated position of the site is the main reason for this proposal. Would it be possible to allow just one small piece of land to remain free from commercial enterprise for the recreation of the local community?

The proposed site is too near to housing such as Wickord Way, Tiptree Close and Tilney Way. The local school, Hillside is also on the same development. The pole would be seen for miles around and therefore its proposed location is inappropriate to the local community. Is it safe to erect such a telecommunication pole near dwellings? Are their health issues that need to be considered? In the light of the recent link with cancer and pylons, is this evidence enough to suggest that there are grounds for concern?

We ask that you will reject this proposal on social, health and environmental grounds.

Yours sincerely

Lorraine Hall

Lorraine and Stuart Hall

c.c. Earley Town Council

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TO: Mr P. fitzgerald

FROM: Mr M. Thorp.

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Date. 2 March 2001

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Your ref.

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Dear Mr Fitzgerald,

RE: PROPOSED ERECTION OF 11.8 METRE HIGH FREE – STANDING TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLE WITH ONE OMNI ANTENNAE AT LAND ADJACENT TO THE SQUARE, CHALFONT WAY, EARLEY. (TL/2001/3297)

I refer to your notification for the erection of an 11.8 metre high telecommunications pole with one omni antennae.

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

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

Yours sincerely

MLT

M L THORP
Principal Development Control Officer

25 Bradmore Way,
Lower Earley,
Reading,
Berks,
RG6 4DS
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Application No TL/2001/3297.

Dear Sirs,

I am writing to express my concerns at the above application:

1. I understand that this sort of telecommunication device may be linked to health concerns.
2. An 11 metre high construction will be an eyesore.
3. Property prices are likely to be negatively affected.

Yours,

C.L. Vest. (C.L. VEST.)

Ian Jordan

From: WebComments@wokingham.gov.uk
Sent: 11 March 2001 20:49
To: ian.jordan@wokingham.gov.uk
Subject: Comments on Planning Applications

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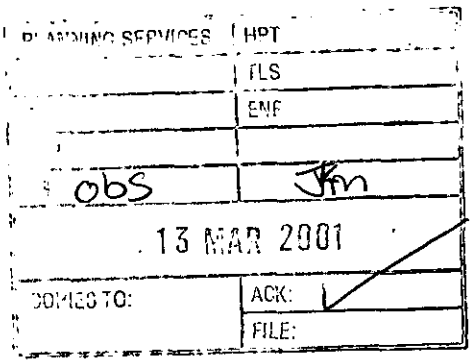
Correspondent_Address2:
Correspondent_Town: Reading,
Correspondent_County: Berkshire
Correspondent_PostCode: RG6 4HP
Correspondent_Telephone: 0118-9863163
Correspondent_Email: wright@earley16.fsnet.co.uk

Comments:

I was extremly alarmed to learn the exact position of this proposed antennae .It would be directly behind my property. This would put a blight on my home and the surrounding area.This proposal is totally unsuitable , bringing with it unknown health risks to the families in the vesinity. Lots of improvements are being made to the park area (copicing,tree and wild flower planting e.t.c) so WHY put a 35 foot microwave aerial there to spoil it causing distress and worry to people who would other wise enjoy this open space.



22 Wickford Way, Lower Earley, Reading RG6 4HP
Tel. 0118 987 6708

08 March 2001

Dear Ms Miller

Reference: TL/2001/3297 Orange Mast off Chalfont Square

The note from the Council concerning a proposed mast for Orange PLC at Chalfont Square is inaccurate. The location is actually down the hill (Rushey Way) from where I live, on the left just past the bus layby, only yards away from our homes. I am very unhappy about a 35 foot microwave aerial being there and implore the council to reject this unwise application.

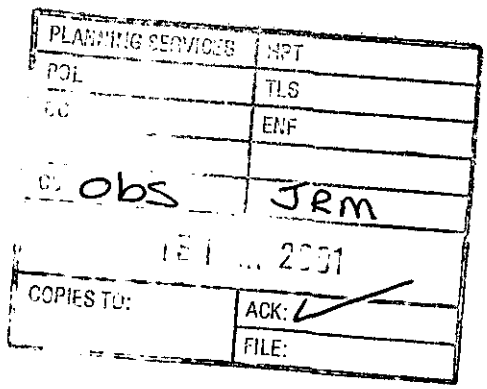
This is because of:

- The unsightliness of such a mast in a residential area
- The inappropriateness of such a mast in a residential area
- The unknown health effects on residents of **(very)** nearby homes and school.

Yours sincerely,

Damien Redmond

Copy: Earley Town Council



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March 11, 2001

Dear Mr Miller

APPLICATION NUMBER – TL/2001/3297 – proposed erection of a 11.8 metre high free standing telecommunications pole with 1 omni antennae – land adjacent to the Square, Chalfont Way – Orange PCS Ltd

We are writing to object to the proposed erection of this telecommunications pole, which is to be sited near to our property. We feel this will be detrimental to our property, health and the local community.

The elevated position of the pole would be an eyesore and not in "keeping with the street scene". A reason that a planning consent was rejected by the Council for my own property.

The proposed site is alongside a park that is used by all ages. It is near housing such as Wickford Way, Tiptree Close, and Tilney Way, as well as the local School. Therefore in the light of the recent link with cancer and pylons, this is a health concern.

We ask that you will reject this proposal on social health and environmental grounds.

Yours sincerely

Mrs D & Mr C Bunn

Copied to Earley Town Council

Joss Miller

From: Lawrence, Julie [julie.lawrence@reading.gov.uk]
Sent: 13 March 2001 09:57
To: 'Joss Miller'
Subject: RE: TL/2001/3297

Importance: High

Joss,

Thankyou very much for your prompt response.

I have to say that I am very disappointed with your description of the location of this mast, given that I have telephoned your office on three occasions (15 February and 12 March) and on 2 occasions been told that the mast is to be located directly behind 32 Tilney Way. You will appreciate that no 32, although only two doors away from us is at an angle so I thought that this would not affect us too badly following my 1st phone call on 15 February.

The reason I telephoned yesterday was that a neighbour in Wickford Way had seen the plans and told me that the mast was to be located almost directly behind no 18 Wickford Way; I, therefore, phoned to clarify the precise position which you have now provided.

If it is not too late (I appreciate it may be but I feel I was misled by your officers), I wish to object to the erection of this mast on the grounds of being "not in keeping with the street scene" which I understand you frequently quote when rejecting planning applications in our area. I believe that there may also be health concerns regarding such masts.

If this is approved, it will prove to me yet again that the voice of Lower Earley has yet again been ignored!!

Julie Lawrence (0118 939 0566)

-----Original Message-----
From: Joss Miller [mailto:Joss.Miller@wokingham.gov.uk]
Sent: 12 March 2001 17:09
To: 'julie.lawrence@reading.gov.uk'
Subject: TL/2001/3297

Dear Ms Lawrence,

I have tried to contact you regarding the above application, but unfortunately you had already gone home. I understand you have some concerns relating to the siting of this application. It would be located across the road (Rushey Way) from your dwelling and situated approximately 37 metres away from the rear wall of your dwelling. If you would like further information regarding this matter please feel free to ring me on (0118) 9746463. Unfortunately, I won't be in the office on Tuesday, but I'll be back on Wednesday. The application will be determined on 14 March and, if you have written a response, you will be notified of the decision. If you haven't sent a letter, you can find out the decision by telephone from 15 March onwards.

I hope this information is of use to you.

Joss Miller

Ian Jordan

From: WebComments@wokingham.gov.uk
Sent: 12 March 2001 22:48
To: ian.jordan@wokingham.gov.uk
Subject: Comments on Planning Applications

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NatureofEmail: Object
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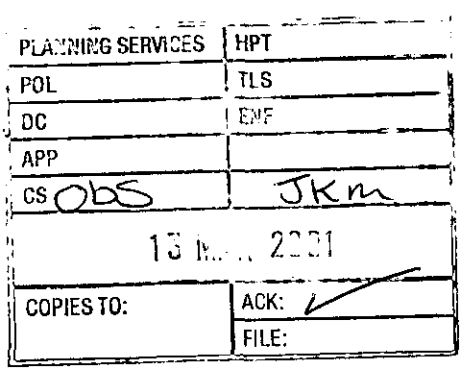
Correspondent_StreetAddress: 1 Wickford Way
Correspondent_Address2: Lower Earley
Correspondent_Town: Reading
Correspondent_County: Berks
Correspondent_PostCode: RG6 4HP
Correspondent_Telephone: 0118 986 7734
Correspondent_Email: chris.hale@breathe.com

Comments:

I object, on grounds of high levels of 900MHz and 1800MHz Microwave radiation, to the location of the mast as being too close to the nearest housing in Wickford Way. From the plan it appears that the mast is planned to be adjacent to the Bus Stop south bound (itself a problem for children waiting for buses to school) on Rushey way. If the mast had been adjacent to the Park and to the rear of the KwikSave Store I would find much less to object to since the radiation would be well away from the nearest housing.



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Attn Jos Miller
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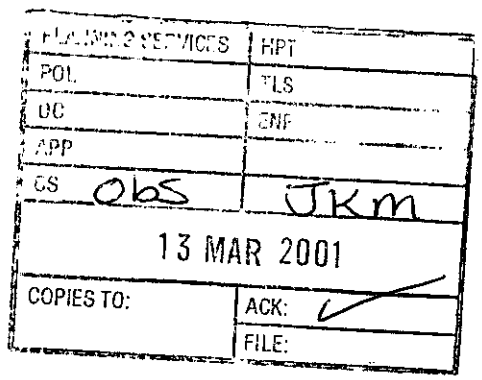

Dear Ms Jos Miller

Ref TL/2001/3297

I would like to express my concerns about the proposal of a microwave mast being erected in a densely residential area such as Lower Earley. The original letter from the Council is misleading as it states that the site for the mast is Chalfont Square whereas in reality it is on Rushey Way, virtually opposite Ryhill Way. It borders a park area, which is used by adults and children alike for football fixtures and other recreational enjoyment and is surrounded by housing.
The health risks posed by this is of great concern to me and my family, and I enclose an article taken from the Daily Mail, dated 9th March 01 which supports my concerns and illustrates a Council's successful rejection of a very similar proposal.
My husband is also in the process of raising a petition to oppose this planning application by Orange.
I do hope our concerns will be seriously considered by the Council of **Wokingham** and may I suggest a possible liason with Harrow Council by council members acting in **Lower Earley's** interests in order to prevent the erection of this mast.

Yours faithfully

J. Ireland

Jane Ireland

Cc Earley Town Council
Enc.

Landmark as inspectors block Orange amid health fears

First blood to families in war of phone masts

A MOBILE phone company has been banned from putting up a mast because of health fears.

The decision is the first of its kind by Government planning inspectors.

They rejected an application by Orange to erect a 30ft mast in a residential area because of the 'serious harm' it could cause to those living nearby.

The landmark move is expected to have major implications for hundreds of similar cases nationwide.

Community groups and safety campaigners have repeatedly expressed fears about the masts – which send and receive mobile phone signals – because of the possible radiation dangers.

There are fears of a link between microwave radiation from masts and conditions ranging from cancer to blood clots in the brain.

Orange wanted to erect the mast in Harrow, North-West London. The council refused the application last May after residents expressed their concerns.

By **Nilufer Atik**

The company appealed to John Prescott's Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions whose inspectors also turned the application down.

They stated: 'The need to site the installation in the location proposed does not outweigh the serious harm it would cause to neighbouring residents in terms of visual amenity and about the possible health effect.'

They claimed the company had not provided enough detail about possible levels of radiation emitted from the masts.

'In short, there is little in the written representations expressly relating to the appeal proposal that provides any basis for allaying the fears that neighbouring residents have about it, their report said.

Orange said it was 'considering the way forward'.

Although applications for mobile phone masts have previously been rejected on health grounds by councils, including Barnet, Kent and Worcester, this is the first time the matter has gone as far as the Planning Inspectorate and been rejected.

Inspectors are preparing to issue local authorities with guidelines advising them that all telecommunications companies should provide concise details about the risks of potential radiation emissions when applying to put up masts.

Harrow councillor Navin Shah said: 'Up until now the advice to planning authorities has been that health considerations should not be taken into account, as long as the radio waves from a mast fall within recommended guidelines.

'The appeal decision at last confirms the genuine fears of local people are being recognised.'

Last year the Stewart Report, a study by 12 experts commissioned by the Department of Health, stated that children might be more vulnerable to the low-level radiation emitted by the masts because they have thinner skulls and a developing nervous system.

The chairman, Professor Sir William Stewart, a former Government chief scientist, stressed that, on balance, there was no scientific evidence of a threat from either mobile handsets or mobile phone masts.

However, he added, that some studies indicated they caused subtle biological effects, particularly on the electrical circuitry of the brain.

Earlier this week a government advisory panel admitted there were potential health risks for children living near electricity power lines.

n.atik@dailymail.co.uk

Joss Miller

From: Joss Miller
Sent: 12 March 2001 17:09
To: 'julie.lawrence@reading.gov.uk'
Subject: TL/2001/3297

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I hope this information is of use to you.

Joss Miller

30 Tilney Way
Earley.

HIGHWAYS CONSULTATION SHEET

From: Joss Miller **Date:** 09 February 2001

Application Number: TL/2001/3297

Proposal: Proposed erection of a 11.8 metre high free standing telecommunications pole with 1 omni antennae.

Parish: EARLEY TOWN

Site Address:
Land Adjacent To , The Square, Chalfont Way, Earley, Reading.

Applicant:
Orange PCS Ltd C/O Patrick Farfan Associates Ltd.

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

✓ below as applicable;

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

NOTE TO PO: Please ensure copy of application is sent to Graham Barnwell (NRSWA).

Signed: _____ **Print name:** Adam Coggins 01/03/01

Hillside Primary School
Rushey Way
Lower Earley
Reading
RG6 4HQ
Tel: (0118) 975 5771
Fax: (0118) 975 8389

Headteacher
Mrs A.C. Griffin MEd

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Planning Offficer
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P O Box 157
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Dear Sirs,

Re : Planning Application no : TL/2001/3297 Proposed erection of a 11.8 metre high free standing telecommunications pole with 1 omni antennae – Land adjacent to The Square, Chalfont Way – Orange PCS Ltd

As a governor of Hillside Primary School, I am very concerned about the above application for a telecommunications mast to be sited so close to the school.

The site is also adjacent to playing fields where young children congregate for both formal and informal sporting activities.

I urge the Council to refuse this application.

Yours faithfully,

D M DONGRAY

c.c. Earley Town Council

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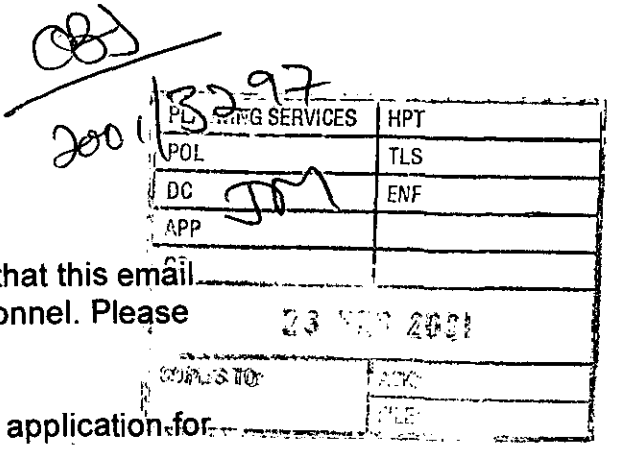
Re: Planning Application TL/2001/3297



Dear Sirs,

I am assuming that in the current technological climate that this email can be forwarded to the relevant departments and personnel. Please ensure that it is sent on within the appropriate time.

Reference the letter of 13th Feb regarding the planning application for a telecomms mast by Chalfont Way Lower Earley.

Like many things in this area, if it is commercially beneficial to the council then we the public are given last minute information and required to take trips to the offices to see information at times purposely inconvenient. However, if it is beneficial to the public, like a swimming pool, then it takes 10 years to appear.

I wish to register my dissatisfaction both with the intention to site a mast here and with the process which is undertaken. For an individual to obtain planning permission requires him to have a notice of intent outside his house for about 6 weeks. Here it seems that the public are given 10 days to react. Please note :

1) The public shouold be given a longer period to react to the planning application.

2) I would like the council to make available to the public all Health and Safety checks required and undertaken before planning permission is given AND/OR to give the public advice and information on any possible health risks from siting the pylon near residential and recreational properties and sites.

3) The mast will be unsightly and (very probably) be detrimental to the value of property in the area.

4) It is not necessary to sight it so close to public areas. There are optional sites close to the motorway. Why are these not considered and used?

5) I would like Wokingham District Council and Earley council to publically reveal how much money it is to make from this venture.

I look forward to an appropriate response to this email. I will also forward this and any response to any bodies (political/ H&S/ etc) that I see fit.

thank you and regards

T D Hay.

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Re: Planning Application TL/2001/3297

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Dear Mr. Hay,

Thank you for your e-mail, and, as requested, I am forwarding a copy on to the Planning Officer at the District Council.

The letter which you received from the Town Council advising you of the proposal is a service we offer to residents for all planning applications which we receive from the District Council to ensure that they are aware of any proposals in their area which may affect them. Because of the large number of 'affected neighbour notifications' which we distribute, the letter is standard for all applications, save the application details and the addressee. The 10 day deadline given in the letter is to allow for delays in receipt of applications from the District Council, time for processing the application and any delays in the post, to ensure that anyone wishing to make written observations to the District Council on any particular application, does so inside the specified deadline set. In this case, the absolute deadline for receipt of written observations by the District Council on this application is 5th March. (and indeed this date is given on the orange site notice currently posted in Rushey Way).

With regard to item 5 of your e-mail, the Town Council stands to make no financial gain whatsoever from this venture, and, indeed has already forwarded its strong objections to the proposals to the District Council. We have consistently objected to proposals to instal telecommunications equipment such as this in areas close to residential properties, play areas and schools. Town Councillors take the view that the health implications of equipment such as this in areas as detailed above has not been categorically proven one way or another, and if there remains any doubt whatsoever as to a potential health risk, then they feel that the installation should not go ahead.

Finally, you should be aware that, as the 'affected neighbour notice' indicated, this is general permitted development, and whilst, in similar situations in the past, through the considerable efforts of the Planning Officers at Wokingham District Council, applicants have been 'persuaded' not to instal telecommunications equipment in sensitive areas such as this, the applicants, Orange, by virtue of the DTI licence which it holds, is a Code System Operator and is therefore entitled to carry out this development under Part 24 of the Town and Country General Permitted Development Order 1995, if so wishes.

I am sorry that you have been unable to attend at the Council Offices to view the Plans. However, for your information, the proposed site is indicated as being on the bank approximately opposite 30 Tilney Way.

I trust the foregoing information will be of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

Maddy Bristow
Deputy Town Clerk

TL/2001/3297.

Joss

With compliments

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Mrs Woods
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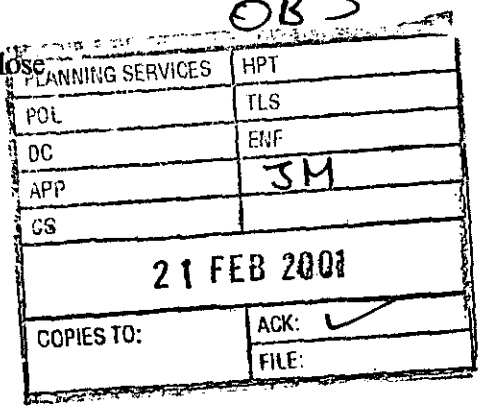

18th February 2001

Application Number: TL/2001/3297

Site Address: Land adjacent to The Square, Chalfont Way, Lower Earley, Reading.

Dear Sirs

As a Parent Governor at Hillside Primary School and a local resident I am writing to you in respect of the proposed erection of a 11.8 metre communication tower at the above address.

I feel strongly that the above proposal should and must be opposed for the following *reasons.*

1) The safety of Transmitter rays are an on going project being conducted by several groups around the country. The advice being given to mobile phone users not to use their phone by their heads too much and to switch to using hands free phone equipment must indicate the dangers of these rays. As such the siting of such a tower so close to homes with young children must be considered irresponsible.

2) The placing of the tower on this scrub land brings it to close to the local roads and nearby houses.

3) The tower would be well above the existing tree/ bush line and being placed on a high point would be an eye sore.

4) We do not wish to have this tower in our eye line. It would also effect the value of property.

5) The site of the tower makes little sense. The area further down the motorway at the moment being occupied by horses on more flat land and nowhere near people would be a better and safer option.

6) Other sites over Berkshire have had this kind of proposal landed on their door step. In each case the proposed tower has been close to housing and has been opposed. As in last November when a proposed tower at the end of Beeston Way was opposed successfully and I see no reason why this application should be any different in that it should be opposed also.

We hope that you will take the interests of the people who would have to live with this tower above all others, and reject this planning application so that we can all live safely in our area.

Yours sincerely



Mrs Woods (Parent Governor Hillside Primary School)

cc: Mr Raymond
Earley Town Clerk

Councillor Fiona Rolls

Councillor Alan Spratling

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Planning Officer
Wokingham District Council
P O Box 157
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16 February 2001

Dear Sirs,

Re : Planning Application no : TL/2001/3297 Proposed erection of a 11.8 metre high free standing telecommunications pole with 1 omni antennae – Land adjacent to The Square, Chalfont Way – Orange PCS Ltd

We are in receipt of your letter dated 14 February regarding the above planning application.

As you may appreciate, these are family occupied housing units around this area – full of young children !! In addition, this area of land adjoins playing fields where young children are frequently to be found.

The very idea of having more unnecessary radiation contaminating the environment fills us with horror and disbelief.

We therefore oppose this application and hope for the sake of all the community that it is refused.

Yours faithfully,

D M DONGRAY **S L DONGRAY (Mrs)**

c.c. Earley Town Council

~~To:~~ FROM:
Property Dept

TO:

~~From:~~ Joss Miller



Date: 09 February 2001

Application Number: TL/2001/3297

Proposal: Proposed erection of a 11.8 metre high free standing telecommunications pole with 1 omni antennae..

Site Address:
Land Adjacent To , The Square, Chalfont Way, Earley, Reading.

Applicant:
Orange PCS Ltd C/O Patrick Farfan Associates Ltd.

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

This section has no objection to the above proposal.

Sarah Hunter
for Head of Property Section.

Tel: (0118) 974 6463

Date: 9 February, 2001

Your ref:

My ref: TL/2001/3297

Councillor F Rolls
14 Tiptree Close
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Dear Councillor

Application No: TL/2001/3297

Applicant: Orange PCS Ltd C/O Patrick Farfan Associates Ltd.

Proposal: Proposed erection of a 11.8 metre high free standing telecommunications pole with 1 omni antennae..

Site Address: Land Adjacent To , The Square, Chalfont Way, Earley, Reading.

This is to advise that I am in receipt of the above application.

Any applications for 10 or more new dwellings or more than 500 square metres of new industrial/office floor space will be considered at the next Service Amenity and Infrastructure (SAI) Panel meeting. If you have any suggestions that you feel should be taken into consideration relating to this or any other aspect of the application please contact the case officer Joss Miller on (0118) 974 6463.

Yours faithfully,

John Mitchell

John Mitchell
Development Control Manager

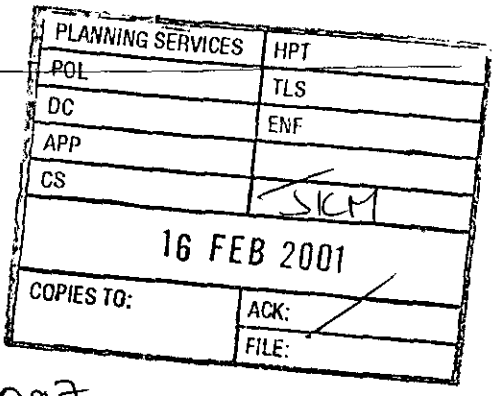
Joss

Both as a local councillor and a resident I object strongly to this. I spoke to John Mitchell last week

It is too near houses.
It is on WDC land for which there are better uses
It is a site of wildlife potential and Biodiversity officer has written to property about it

Jim Rolls

Ian Jordan



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Correspondent_Address2: Lower Earley
Correspondent_Town: Reading
Correspondent_County: BERKS
Correspondent_PostCode: RG6 4HP
Correspondent_Telephone:
Correspondent_Email:

Comments:

Totally unsuitable for area.
ugly and potentially dangerous object near childrens play area,near primary school and highly populated area

Tel. 0118 974 6463 (Direct Line)

Date. 2 March, 2001

My ref. JM/MLT/TL/2001/3297

Your ref. BRK7085

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Mr P Fitzgerald
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Dear Mr Fitzgerald,

RE: PROPOSED ERECTION OF 11.8 METRE HIGH FREE STANDING TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLE WITH ONE OMNI ANTENNAE AT LAND ADJACENT TO THE SQUARE, CHALFONT WAY, EARLEY. (TL/2001/3297)

I refer to your notification for the proposed erection of a telecommunications mast at the above location.

I am writing to inform you that this application requires prior approval of this scheme, in view of its proximity to residential properties.

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

Yours sincerely

MLT

M L THORP

Principal Development Control Officer

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Correspondent_Town: Earley
Correspondent_County: Berkshire
Correspondent_PostCode: RG6 4HS
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Correspondent_Email: dhprice@ntlworld.com

Comments:

I have not yet been able to view the planning application so I don't know where exactly this antenna will be sited (Is it not possible to make application details available via the web?). I assume there will be an equipement cabin as well. I will try to view the application and enter additional comments at that point.

I object to application TL/2001/3297 on the following grounds;

1. Appearance and residential amenity.
A thirty-nine foot pole with antenna packs is not inconspicuous. These things are unsightly and don't blend into the background. In this case it will probably detract.from the southward view of open countryside from the playing field. Apart from near motorways such installations seem generally to be mounted on building roofs. Is that not possible in this case?

2. safety
My real concern is that this is a residential area where I have children and there is a primary school (Hillside) nearby. It is clear from recent articles and reports that the risk associated with just mobile phones is uncertain but the government has recently issued clear guidance for phone use particularly for children. Surely a cellular base station antenna offers a higher level of radiation than a single phone. If the government doesn't know the risk but recommends children should be careful then I don't believe it is acceptable to impose such a larger risk in a residential area and near a school.

3. General and questions
Why is this being sited here? Is it to serve the Earley population or the motorway?

I note application TL/2001/3279 is to instal an antenna at Sibley park, is this a related application and if so why are the two so close to each other.

Are there any other precedents in Wokingham of these installations in residential areas?

Local schools are overcrowded already.
We have objected before on reasonable grounds and we shall continue to do so until someone can convince us that there will be no environmental or other effects due to this proposal.
Thankyou

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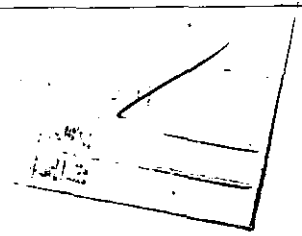

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Correspondent_Town: Reading
Correspondent_County: Berkshire
Correspondent_PostCode: RG6 4DZ
Correspondent_Telephone: 01189 611402
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Comments:

As a governor and a parent of a child at Hillside Primary School, I am utterly dismayed that the council can consider planning application for a telecommunications pole in such close proximity of a primary school and also in a residential area full of young families.
While,i am aware thet there has been no proven findings that they can cause serious health problems , it can also be said that it has not been disproven and until this happens I think we as a society need to monitor carefully and reject any proposals of such applications.
This application is also close to a play park and football fields used by many of the local children and may prove to be a safety issue as well as a health issue.

ALISTAIR PRENTICE

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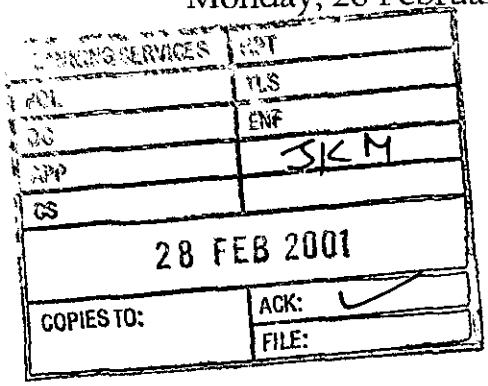
Monday, 26 February 2001



Joss Miller
Case Officer
Wokingham District Council
Shute End
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Dear Mr Miller

Application Number TL/2001/3297

I wish to register my very strongest objection to the erection of the telecommunications Mast outlined in the above numbered application.

As you will know there is considerable debate as to the safety of such installations and the emissions associated with them. The area proposed is adjacent playing fields for young and old to enjoy, which is also heavily populated with young families and the work currently being carried out on radio wave safety in the scientific community focuses most heavily on that sector of the population, being as they are most at risk from these types of emissions.

I would also remind you yet again of the furious back-peddling and very costly settlements now being made in the light of the current BSE enquiry – have we learned nothing from this? – Should we not prove beyond doubt that technology is safe before it is unleashed on the general public? In the event that harm comes to any sub – group of the population in the area surrounding the mast in the further (this only has to be proven as clusters of a certain disease with a greater density than would be nationally random), you may find yourselves with a case to answer as the body having given permission for the application to proceed, jointly and severally liable with the actual owner of the apparatus emitting whatever frequency was proved to have been at fault – and as such open to potential litigation for damages.

As my local council with the best interests of your taxpayers at heart, I would strongly urge you to reject this application as you did with the proposed application no: TL/2000/2518 in Lower Earley along with the Duffield Road Woodley application – how many times do we have to appose theses applications. I understand a yearly payment for rent is paid for having theses masts on the land, and at £2500.00 per mast you can see why the council are so keen and keep trying. I urge you once again think of your TAXPAYERS.....US ?

Yours sincerely

A. Prentice

Alistair Prentice

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Mrs A.C. Griffin MEd

ACG/sld/planappl/general
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Planning Officer
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Dear Sirs,

Re: Planning Application no : TL/2001/3297 Proposed erection of a 11.8 metre high fence standing telecommunications pole with 1 omni antennae - Land adjacent to The Square, Chalfont Way - Orange PCS Ltd

I write to protest at the proposed erection of the telecommunications pole on land adjacent to the Chalfont Recreation Area, children's play park and Hillside School field.

The advice from the Department for Education and Employment recommending that the Radio Communications Agency should audit such base stations near schools for radio frequency emissions, should be followed (Dfee Spectrum No.36 October 2000) before any plans are made.

Also, Hillside School's parents have been informed on the advice of the Ministry of Health's Independent Expert Group on mobile phones "that children aged fifteen years and under are likely to be more vulnerable to any unrecognised health risks from mobile phone use than are adults because their nervous systems are still developing." (WDC 5 September 2000.)

I urge caution before permission is given in an area such as Lower Earley where a high density of young people, live, play and are educated.

Yours sincerely,

A C Griffin
Headteacher

c.c. Mrs S Hall Chairman of Governors
Earley Town Council

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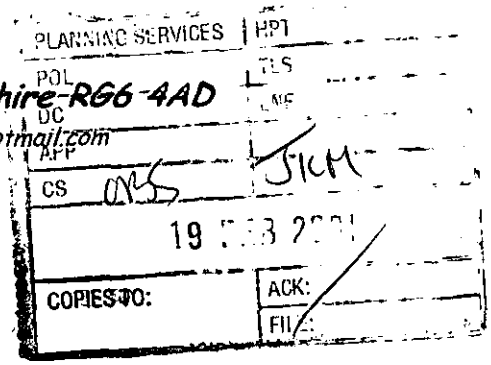

The Planning Officer
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15th February 2001

Dear Sir

Application No: TL/2001/3297

Site Address: Land Adjacent to, The Square, Chalfont Way, Earley, Reading.

Proposal: Proposed erection of an 11.8 metre high free standing telecommunications pole with 1 omni antennae.

Thank you for your letter dated the 9th February 2001 regarding the above.

May I say firstly that I am neither strongly in favour, nor against, the installation of telecommunication poles/antennae in principle. I accept that technology marches on and that the erecting of these items is a necessity if the service provider is to offer a satisfactory level of coverage.

I do however have the following comments to make: -

1. Aesthetically the erection of an 11.8 metre (38.7 feet) high pole in an area of high residential development may prove to be displeasing. Particularly to those residents to whom it would be in full view of.

2. What, if any, would be the affect on television signal reception in the immediate area adjacent to the proposed installation?

3. There appears to be conflicting information regarding the possible affect that the transmissions radiating from these antennae may have on the health of those closest to these installations.

I would therefore take comfort in this regard if both the Wokingham District Council and the Earley Town Council were to consider deferring any favourable decision in respect of the above Application until a definitive Government statement was available regarding the possible, or otherwise, hazard to health implications regarding such installations.

Yours faithfully

MALCOLM K. MARSHALL

cc. Earley Town Council

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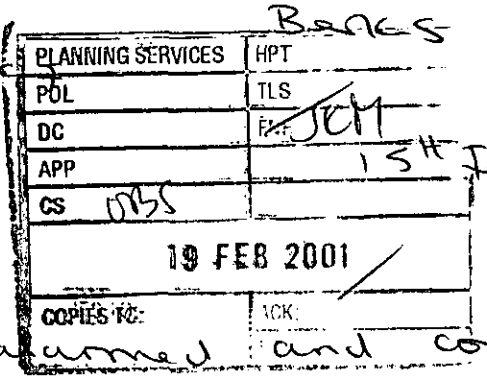

Re Application :- TL/2001/32
Proposed erection of telecommunication pole.

15th February 2001

Dear Sir/Madam.

I am extremely alarmed and concerned about the proposed application.

This would be ugly. out of character and totally unsuitable in such a highly populated area.

It is one of the last few open spaces left in Lower Earley. Why ruin it and make it a potentially dangerous place for children to be.

Stop over developing this area at the detriment of the local residents.

Is it such a unthinkable thing to have an unspoilt and safe green open space in one of the biggest housing estates in the country.

Yours faithfully

Susan Wright

WOKINGHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND HOUSING TEAM

MEMORANDUM

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FILE:

From: Joanne Ellis
Environmental Health

My Ref: JPE/LMW/20004730

To: Joss Miller
Development Control

Your Ref: TL/2001/3297

Date. February 16, 2001

PROPOSED: ERECTION OF 11.8 METRE HIGH FREE STANDING TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLE WITH 1 OMNI ANTENNAE

LOCATION: LAND ADJACENT TO THE SQUARE, CHALFONT WAY, EARLEY

These proposals have been evaluated and I have no environmental health 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 Chartered Institute of Environmental Healths current policy states that;

(a) despite a growing body of research, there is currently no convincing evidence that environmental exposure to electromagnetic fields (emf) generated by the transmission of electricity or mobile telephony is harmful to human health, including that of children;
(b) that there is no justification on health grounds for restricting the public use of land other than immediately around power and mobile telecommunications installations. Conversely, there is no justification for restricting the siting of such installations in proximity to other land uses:
(c) that public concerns about the effects of electromagnetic fields while in our current state of knowledge apparently without foundation, should nonetheless be recognised as genuine.
(d) The full effects of emfs on humans may not yet be realised and though it can never be conclusive, there remains a need for continuing, properly funded, independent research into the nature, extent and relevance of those effects and the consequent adequacy of prevailing exposure guidelines.

Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

JOANNE ELLIS
SENIOR ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER

FROM: Joss Miller

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DATE: 09 February 2001

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Application Number: TL/2001/3297

Proposal: Proposed erection of a 11.8 metre high free standing telecommunications pole with 1 omni antennae..

Site Address: Land Adjacent To , The Square, Chalfont Way, Earley, Reading.

Applicant: Orange PCS Ltd C/O Patrick Farfan Associates Ltd.

Your observations are required in respect of this application **by 05/03/2001** .

As with previous applications of this type, the Town Council objects most strongly to this proposal. The proposed location for this equipment is extremely close to residential properties, Hillside School and Chalfont Park play area and, until any possible risk to health is determined categorically one way or the other, the Town Council remains of the opinion that equipment such as this should not be installed near residential properties, or, in particular near schools or play areas.

Furthermore, it is felt that the proposed location of this equipment on a open high bank would mean that it is extremely prominent and unsightly, which would be of detriment to the visual amenity of the area.

For these reasons it is requested that this application is refused.

SIGNED: _____ DATE: 15 FEB 2001

Clerk To Earley Parish/Town Council.

Hay, Tim

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To: townclerk@earleytc.co.uk
Subject: Planning Application TL/2001/3297

Dear Sirs,

I am assuming that in the current technological climate that this email can be forwarded to the relevant departments and personnel. Please ensure that it is sent on within the appropriate time.

Reference the letter of 13th Feb regarding the planning application for a telecomms mast by Chalfont Way Lower Earley.

Like many things in this area, if it is commercially beneficial to the council then we the public are given last minute information and required to take trips to the offices to see information at times purposely inconvenient. However, if it is beneficial to the public, like a swimming pool, then it takes 10 years to appear.

I wish to register my dissatisfaction both with the intention to site a mast here and with the process which is undertaken. For an individual to obtain planning permission requires him to have a notice of intent outside his house for about 6 weeks. Here it seems that the public are given 10 days to react. Please note :

1) The public shouold be given a longer period to react to the planning application.

2) I would like the council to make available to the public all Health and Safety checks required and undertaken before planning permission is given AND/OR to give the public advice and information on any possible health risks from siting the pylon near residential and recreational properties and sites.

3) The mast will be unsightly and (very probably) be detrimental to the value of property in the area.

4) It is not necessary to sight it so close to public areas. There are optional sites close to the motorway. Why are these not considered and used?

5) I would like Wokingham District Council and Earley council to publically reveal how much money it is to make from this venture.

I look forward to an appropriate response to this email. I will also forward this and any response to any bodies (political/ H&S/ etc) that I see fit.

thank you and regards

T D Hay.

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Received by Wokingham District Council

Application No: TL/2001/3297

PROPOSAL:
Proposed erection of a 11.8 metre high free standing telecommunications pole with 1 omni antennae.

LOCATION:
Land Adjacent To , The Square, Chalfont Way, Earley, Reading.

The application is available for inspection at the locations & during the times detailed below:

WOKINGHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL, PLANNING RECEPTION, SHUTE END, WOKINGHAM between 8.30 - 5.00 Monday - Thursday & 8.30 - 4.00 Friday.
(TEL: (0118) 974 6428)
OR
WOODLEY LIBRARY, HEADLEY ROAD, WOODLEY between 9.30am - 7.00pm Mon, Thurs & Fri. 9.30am - 5.00pm Tues, 9.30am - 1.00pm Saturday. (closed all day Wednesday). If you intend to view this application at Woodley Library or Earley Town Council (see details above & below) please allow 4 days from the date of this notice for delivery of plans.
OR
EARLEY TOWN COUNCIL, RADSTOCK HOUSE, RADSTOCK LANE, EARLEY between 9.00am – 1.00pm & 2.00pm – 4.30pm Monday to Friday.
(TEL: (0118) 986 8995)

Comments should be sent in writing QUOTING THE APPLICATION NUMBER to the Case Officer Joss Miller P.O. Box 157 Council Offices, Shute End, Wokingham Berkshire, RG40 1WR to arrive on or before 05/03/2001. 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 normally be possible for an individual reply to observations made. However any comments will be taken into account when the application is determined and you will be notified of the decision.

Head of Planning and Transportation

09 February 2001

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31st January 2001

Dear Sir

NOTICE

Proposed installation of Orange Microcell at BRK7085

Further to my discussion with your office regarding microcell rollout in Wokingham, I give formal notice for prior approval determination for the development referenced above.

Orange is licensed under Section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 to develop a personal communications network and have designed the microcell to provide localised coverage to areas where a large macrocell mast development would be inappropriate

The enclosed plans show our proposal to locate a microcell street cabinet and antenna column to provide coverage to subscribers of the Orange mobile network in the area of Rushey Way and as required under the terms of their licence to the DTI.

Orange, by virtue of the DTI licence, is a Code System Operator and is therefore entitled to carry out this development under Part 24 of The Town and Country General Permitted Development Order 1995.

This letter should be treated as formal notice of our intention to install the equipment and under the terms of our licence you have 42 days, from receipt of this notice, to make any representations you may have concerning the development.

Please do not hesitate in contacting me if you would like any further information and I would be grateful if you would kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter, the £35.00 fee is enclosed in settlement for charges.

Yours faithfully,

Paul Fitzgerald
07971 162758

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Date. 19 February 2001

My ref. JM/MLT/TL/2001/3297

Your ref.

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Dear Mr Fitzgerald,

RE: PROPOSED ERECTION OF 11.8 METRE HIGH FREE – STANDING TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLE WITH ONE OMNI ANTENNAE AT LAND ADJACENT TO THE SQUARE, CHALFONT WAY, EARLEY. (TL/2001/3297)

I refer to your notification for the erection of an 11.8 metre high telecommunications pole with one omni antennae.

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

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

Yours sincerely

M L THORP
Principal Development Control Officer

WOKINGHAM D.C. DEVELOPMENT CONTROL

42 DAYS

Start date: 05 FEB 2001	
Officer: JM	Application No. TL/2001/3297

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

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

Description:
(TL) PROPOSED ERECTION OF A 11.8m HIGH FREE STANDING TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLE WITH 1 OMNI ANTENNAE

Location: Land adjacent to The Square, Chalfont Way ~~RUSHEY WAY (BETWEEN WICKFORD WAY & BEESTON WAY)~~

Parish: EARLEY Ward: Redhatch

Applicant: ORANGE P.C.S LTD

Fee Received ~~35~~ 00-00 Required 35-00 NO CHEQUE Additional ..... Refund .....
received 7/2.
phoned 5/2

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	Pre app sheet incorrect.	phoned 5/8	
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 : ..... 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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1: Pre-Application Consultation with Local Planning Authority

(i) Licence notification i.e. pre roll out of network	Date.....
Name of L.P.A. Contact.....	
Phone # of L.P.A. Contact.....	
(ii) On sites in specific cell(s)	Date: **30th January 2001**
Name of L.P.A. Contact	**Mrs Hurst**
Phone # of L.P.A. Contact	**0118 974 6000**

2A: Name and Address of Applicant

Name	**ORANGE PCS Ltd**		
Address	**Black Arrow House, 2-3 Floor, 2 Chandos Road, London, NW10 6NF**		
Postcode	**NW10 6NF**	Tel	**0208 963 4100**

2B: Agent's Name, Address and Contact

Name	**PATRICK FARFAN ASSOCIATES**		
Address	**Unit C, Quay West, Salamander Quay, Park Lane, Harefield**		
Postcode	**UB8 6NZ**	Tel	**01895 823700**
Contact	**Paul Fitzgerald**	Tel	**07971 162758**

2C: Location of Proposal

Location: **Rushey Way, Lower Earley, Reading**

2D: O.S. Sheet / Grid Reference

Sheet and six figure grid reference of proposed development

Sheet Grid Reference **E 474009 N 169774**

3: Purpose of Development

This microcell column development is designed to provide localised coverage where larger macrocell towers would be inappropriate. The development is designed to serve the residential area in which it is sited and will remove the need for larger developments elsewhere in the borough to provide coverage levels required under Orange's DTI licence.

4: The Proposed Structure *(Enclose a site plan and indicate details of cell boundaries, and whether shared mast / tower or freestanding)*

(i) Type of Structure (e.g. tower, mast etc): **Column**

.Overall height: **11.8m**

(ii) Equipment Housing

Street cabinet of overall dimension 0.98 cubic metres.

(iii) Materials (as applicable) Tower / mast etc: type of material and external colour

Light Aircraft Grey BS381 C 627

Equipment housing: type of material and external colour

Light Aircraft Grey BS381 C 627

(iv) Location of and Distance to nearest residential or commercial property (where applicable)

5: Distance from Airfield or Aerodrome (Please tick as appropriate)

Will the structure be within 3 km of an aerodrome or airfield?	**NO**
Has the CAA or Secretary of State for Defence been notified?	**NO**

Signed..... Date 5/1/01

On behalf of PATRICK FARFAN ASSOCS. LTD

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Site Plan, Scale: 1 to 2500

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Date: 5 February 2001

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