APPLICATION NO:
TL/2002/5949

LOCATION:
Land Opposite Sandford Park Mohawk Way, Woodley Reading.

APPLICANT:
Orange Pcsl C/O Patrick Farfan

PROPOSAL:
Proposed erection of 8m high microcell colum with 2 internal antenna plus 1 equipment cabinet.

EARLIEST DATE FOR DECISION: **15/03/2002**

APPLICATION WILL HAVE EXPIRED ON:
15/04/2002

CASE OFFICER: **Heidi Lynch**

APPROVED

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WOKINGHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACTS

Notification of Approval of Permission

Orange PCS Ltd
C/O Patrick Farfan
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Application Number: TL/2002/5949

Parish: **WOODLEY**

Location: **Land Opposite Sandford Park, Mohawk Way, Woodley, Reading.**

Proposal: **Proposed erection of 8m high microcell column with 2 internal antenna plus 1 equipment cabinet.**

The Wokingham District Council in pursuance of their powers under the above Acts and Regulations hereby **Approve Permission** for carrying out the above development in accordance with the application and the accompanying plans submitted to the Council subject to compliance with the following conditions, the reasons for which are specified hereunder.

Condition
1. The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of five years from the date of this permission.

Condition
2. The proposed cabinet hereby approved is to be coloured midnight green and the proposed mast and antenna are to be coloured light aircraft grey.

Reason
1. In pursuance of Section 91(1) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

Reason
2. To ensure that the external appearance of the building is satisfactory.

Informative
1. You are advised, in compliance with The Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) (England) (Amendment) Order 2000, that the following policies and/or proposals in the development plan are relevant to this decision:

Berkshire Structure Plan Policy TC1.
Deposit Draft Wokingham District Local Plan Policy WIC14.

Anna Cronin
Head of Planning & Transportation
Date: 10/04/2002

Notice checked by: _____

If this notice grants permission to proceed with the proposal the applicant is reminded that it relates to planning permission only and does not constitute approval under any other legislation including Building Regulations.

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Date April 23, 2002
My ref. TGW/PP/TL/2002/5949

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Dear Mr Savage

ADVERTISEMENTS FOR MOBILE PHONE MASTS IN WOODLEY

A copy of your letter addressed to the Chief Executive has been passed to myself for reply in respect of the above matter.

I note your comments about the notice and the position of its display. I can comment as follows: Government policy requires Local Planning Authorities to notify neighbours in respect of submitted applications. This can be either by way of a site notice posted at the application site or through the despatch of individual neighbour letters.

The Council's approach in meeting its statutory obligation is to send letters to adjoining occupiers. The display of a site notice is supplemental to this notification, and whilst every encouragement is given to the applicant to display the site notice, there is no obligation requiring this to be done.

Where development is proposed such as in this case for a new construction in the highway, there is clearly no existing building upon which the notice can be displayed. The applicant clearly used the approach which is taken in many cases where statutory notices are displayed, by attaching this to the nearest lamp column. Whilst I accept from your comments that this was not particularly visible, this as I said earlier is a supplemental form of notification and there was no obligation on the operator to display the notice.

The application to which you refer was one for what is known as "prior approval" and the effect of this is that the principle of the development is permitted by the Planning Acts, it is only the siting and appearance upon which the Authority can comment. In considering this application regard was had to current Government policy together with a number of recent appeal decisions, where in some cases costs were awarded against the Council.

It was felt in this case that the installation was in accordance with Government policy and that the Council would not be in a position to substantiate a refusal on grounds of siting or appearance.

Mr P Savage

April 23, 2002

The decision to allow the installation was made on this basis.

I trust that these comments are of assistance.

Yours sincerely

TGW

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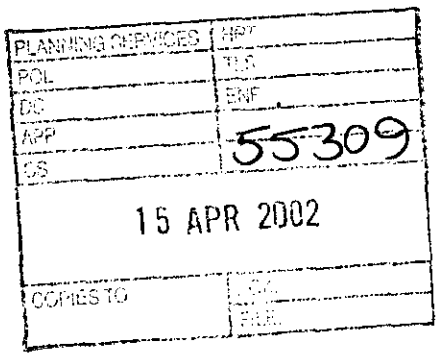

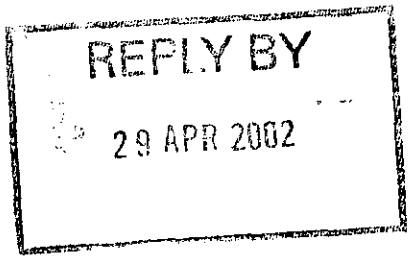

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Mr P Savage
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Dear Mr Savage,

Thank you for your letter of 5th April.

You raise a number of issues, some of which are within the District Council's responsibility, while others are not. I will attempt to deal with each of the points in turn, and explain who I have asked to reply to you on them.

(a) I have asked Environmental Services to contact you about the issue of grass bordering on to your house, and the issue of grass cutting.

In terms of the Community Centre for Woodley, this is part of the responsibility of Woodley Town Council. I have taken the liberty of copying your letter to Deborah Mander, the Town Clerk at Woodley Town Council, and asking her to be able to provide you with some details of what the Centre is there to do.

(b) I have asked Trevor Watson, our Development Control Manager, to contact you on the issue of advertisement of Planning Applications for mobile phone masts in Woodley.

(c) You raise the issue about the cost of Planning and Building Regulation fees.

I am sorry not to be helpful on this, as fees for Planning Applications are set nationally. The income from these fees forms a contribution to the cost of Council services, which is already taken into account when setting the overall budget.

(d) With regard to the non emptying of your recycling bins, I have asked our Waste Team Leader, Yvonne Peck, to make contact with you.

(e) Sandford Lane Quarry area - the current status on this is that conditional planning permission has been granted to Oracle UK Ltd for the construction of a new Conference Centre. We hope that the final conditions on the planning application will be met shortly, and the progress for work on the site will then be in the hands of Oracle UK Ltd.

I hope that these responses are of some help, and if you would like any further information that you will free to contact me.

Yours sincerely



Jane Earl
Chief Executive

c.c. Deborah Mander- Woodley TC
Reg Leach - Environmental Services
Trevor Watson - Planning
Yvonne Peck - Waster Services

Letter as typed -

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Ms J.Earl
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5th April 2002

Dear Ms Earl

Re : Various issues

I am neither controversial nor a letter-writer – but a number of dealings with Wokingham Council recently has compelled me to put pen to paper.

In no particular order

a) I have received my council tax. It has gone up some 8%, yet I do not anticipate any improvements in the service I will get. Indeed, I have contacted the council on a number of occasions about the lawn to the side of my house that should be tended by you, but, in the two years I have been writing, it is still untouched.

I also noted that I am paying a 22% increase in Woodley rates for a community centre that I am not sure I need, nor do I know what I can use it for. I would be grateful if you could tell me what it will house and confirm that, having paid for it now, there will be no fees for using it later

b) there has been a great deal of controversy about mobile phone masts being placed around Woodley. Two days ago, I noticed a small pink piece of paper that had been wrapped around a lamppost in Mohawk Way. I though it was a smear of paint (as there were on other posts) until I realised that there was writing on it informing me that a mast was to be positioned there. I do not want it there – but gather I am too late to do anything about it. Can you confirm the current status of these planning permissions – and explain why I had to clearly locate my pink form at the front of my garden when I applied for recent planning permission, yet the mast application was smeared and hidden round a lamppost

c) I am having an extension built, for which I paid the necessary costs of permission and building regulations. I then made a minor amendment to the plan which, as it affected a condition of the original permission, meant I had to pay again. Now, as the buildings are taking place, I am duty bound to get your building regulators to come round – and have received another bill for £282 (invoice reference 0000206178 346000) for the few minutes he was at my house recently. Having spent a lot of money with architects, and having to spend a lot of money to get it built, I am staggered I am paying hundreds of pounds on top of this to get permissions, re-permissions and regulations approvals time after time, especially as I pay a huge council tax to cover the costs of the council duties

d) my recycling bins were not emptied today (April 5th)

e) at the bottom of Mollison Close is the Sandford Lane quarry area, on which various planning applications have been submitted. The latest application was for a conference centre, though I have heard nothing for a considerable time. Can you let me know the current status?

I will inevitably have to pay the revised tax – but I do feel that I am entitled to get value for money or ask you to at least revisit some of my costs.

I look forward to you reply.

Yours Sincerely

Peter Savage

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Dear Mrs Haggerty

APPLICATION NO. TL/2002/5949: ERECTION OF 8M HIGH MICROCELL AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT CABINET ON LAND OPPOSITE SANDFORD PARK, MOHAWK WAY, WOODLEY, READING

I refer to the above and your letter of 23 April 2002.

The application was made under what are known as the "prior approval procedures". These procedures were introduced by the Government to support the rollout of Telecommunications proposals. The effect of this means that the principle of the installation is not an issue over which the Council have control. The only issues that fall to be considered are the siting and design of the proposals. Furthermore, such applications are subject to a default procedure where if no decision is taken within 56 days from the date of the submission, there is an automatic default right for the operator to proceed.

The Council have in the past sought to resist such installations where considerable public concerns have been raised. However, in all cases where appeals have been lodged the appeal has been upheld and permission granted. Furthermore, in at least 2 cases costs have been awarded against the Council.

In determining such proposals the Government's advice is quite clear, in that health concerns are not a matter to be addressed via the Planning system. The issues as noted over which the Council can consider such proposals are on the basis of siting and design. Having regard in this case to the location of the proposal adjacent to the highway away from residential property and set within a backdrop of vegetation, it was not considered that a refusal could be substantiated. Therefore the decision was taken to allow the installation.

Whilst residents' comments are an important part of the consideration process, these have to be balanced against the policy background and other material considerations. Residents' comments in themselves are not, as noted above, justifiable reason to refuse permission for such installations.

Mrs K Haggerty

May 13, 2002

With respect to your comments regarding changes to the height of the mast, should the operator wish to increase the height of the installation they would need to submit a further application. This would need to be considered in the light of the above issues.

I trust that these comments are of assistance.

Yours sincerely

TREVOR WATSON
Development Control Manager

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23 April 2002

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REPLY REQUIRED
10/5/02

Re: Application No: TL/2002/5949

Dear Mr Watson

Mobile Telephone Mast – Mohawk Way, Woodley

I have just learned, today, that approval has been given for an 8m high microcell column with 2 internal antenna, and associated equipment, to be sited in Mohawk Way, Woodley.

As a resident and parent of two young children on the Airfield estate, this is the first I have heard about it and I am amazed to hear that approval has already been granted for this mast, considering how densely populated this area is. Until there is firm evidence that we are not likely to be at a greater risk of developing cancer by living near to such equipment, I am not prepared to accept this mast.

What is to stop the size of the mast growing once permission has been granted for the 8m high one?

I am strongly against this proposal and urge you, and your department, to reconsider this application carefully.

Yours sincerely

K Haggerty

K Haggerty (Mrs)

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April 26, 2002

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Yours sincerely

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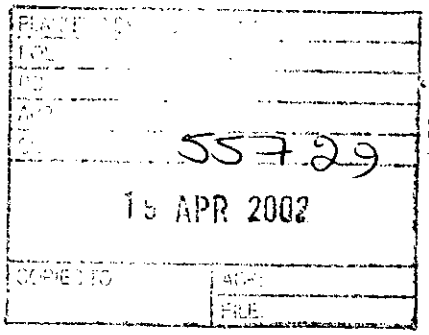
Development Control Manager



'Mill Close',
Sandford Manor,
WOODLEY,
Berks.,
RG5 4SY
17 April 2002

Mr. Trevor Watson,
Environmental Services Department,
Wokingham District Council,
P.O. Box 157,
Shute End, WOKINGHAM,
RG40 1WT

REPLY REQUIRED
3/5/02

Dear Sir,

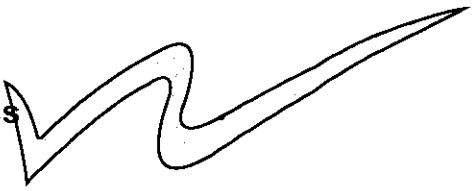
Application No: TL/200215949
Location: Land Opposite Sandford Park, Mohawk Way, Woodley, Reading.
Proposal: Proposed erection of 8m high microcell column with 2 internal antennae plus 1 equipment cabinet.

Thank you for your letter of 12 April.

It is most gratifying to note that, as you write, my 'views are important to the Council and were fully taken into account in reaching a decision on this case'. However, having sent you a reasoned argument *against* this proposal I cannot but find this anodyne 'one size fits all' response of yours distinctly unsatisfactory. In the circumstances may I ask what were the thought processes that led you to discount my views (which you took fully into account), and to approve the application? Crucially, what (if any) are the benefits to the inhabitants of this area of Woodley that may be set against the not inconsiderable potential health hazards?

Yours faithfully,

D.E. Sharp



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TL/2002/5949	Mrs Sharp 'Mill Close' Sandford Manor Woodley Reading RG5 4SY
TL/2002/5949	Mrs Amanda Williams 27 Constable Close WOODLEY RG5 4US
TL/2002/5949	Mrs C Longhurst 19 Mohawk Way WOODLEY RG5 4UE
TL/2002/5949	Mrs Jane Drake 25 Constable Close WOODLEY RG5 4US
TL/2002/5949	Mr J Harrison Sandford Manor Cottage Sandford Lane WOODLEY RG5 4TA
TL/2002/5949	Mr & Mrs G & T London 24 Catalina Close WOODLEY RG5 4UG
TL/2002/5949	Chris Webb 45 Comet Way Woodley Berks RG5 4NZ
TL/2002/5949	Mr K Attfield The Old Cottage Sandford Reading RG5 4TD
TL/2002/5949	Mrs L Parish 18 Constable Close Woodley Berks RG5 4US



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TL/2002/5949	Mrs A K Green Mr D E Green Sandford View Sandford Lane WOODLEY RG5 4TB
TL/2002/5949	Mr & Mrs K P Booth 34 Constable Close WOODLEY RG5 4US
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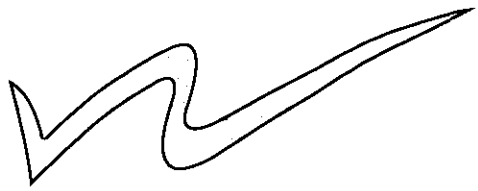

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Application Approved	Letters sent 12.04.02

WORK SHEET FOR : Heidi Lynch

Application Number : TL/2002/5949

Applicant : Orange Pcsl C/O Patrick Farfan.

Location : Land Opposite Sandford Park, Mohawk Way, Woodley, Reading.

Proposal : Proposed erection of 8m high microcell column with 2 internal antenna plus 1 equipment cabinet.

Site Notice Displayed ? : YES ✓ NO [ ] DATE [ ]

Date of Neighbour Notifications : .....

Date of Site Visit : .....

Date Registered : 18/02/2002

Earliest Date for Decision : 15/03/2002

Latest Consultation Date/Site Notice Expiry Date : 15/03/2002

This application will have expired on: 15/04/2002. 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 :

Environ Health - no objections
Highways - no objections
Woodley Town - open nature of site means most would be visually intrusive. Prefer application to be deferred
Property - land is highway verge, not council land so no objection
Property Owners - object due to visual damage, health implications, insensitive to semi-rural feel of area highway safety

Planning Issues :

Application Number: TL/2002/5949

Appraisal :

The mast is to be located in an area which has a semi-rural character due to an open area to the east and the park to the west. Generally it would be considered that a mast would visually impact on this type of area however the proposed mast will be the same height as the existing street lights along the road. The mast is also a slim-line monopole and will be located in line with the existing lighting columns along the street. As such, the monopole is considered to have no greater impact than the existing lighting columns.

The proposed equipment cabinet is 1.25m high and 1.25m wide. This is considered to be a small size and therefore has no significant adverse impact on the visual amenity of the surrounding area.

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

Application Number TL/2002/5949
Conditions/Reasons for Refusal

No	Std Con	Std Reas	Non Std Conditions / Reasons for Refusal
1.	C001	R001	
2	[illegible]	R013	The proposed cabinet hereby approved is to be coloured midnight green and the ~~proposed~~ proposed mast and antennas are to be coloured light aircraft grey.

RECORD OF SITE VISIT

SITE ADDRESS: Land Opposite Sandford Park Mohawk Way Woodley Reading.

APPLICATION NUMBER: TL/2002/5949

OFFICER: Heidi Lynch

DATE OF SITE VISIT:.....

1 SITE/STATUTORY NOTICE DISPLAYED ?

2. DESCRIPTION OF SURROUNDINGS

3. DESCRIPTION OF SITE/BUILDING

4. RELATIONSHIP TO ADJOINING PROPERTIES

5. SITE CONSTRAINTS

TREES

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9 April 2002

Dear Heidi,

Proposed ORANGE PCS Ltd. Installation at:

Grass verge, mid-way between lighting columns No. 15 & 16, Mohawk Way, Woodley, Reading, RG5 4UE.

Further to your correspondence 3 April 2002 and our subsequent telephone conversations. I am unable to recommend to my client, the application TL/2002/5949, be withdrawn.

Pre-consultation, in line with the 10 commitments, was undertaken with the authority on 19 October 2001 and an application was made on the basis of the response received 20 November 2001 ref:JM/MLT/PREAPPWOODLEY. "*Option A, (Mohawk Way), however, would appear to be more acceptable distance and, providing the height and design of the proposed 'mast' is considered appropriate, may result in a less contentious application*"

I attended a town council planning meeting, 5 March 2002, where three telecommunication columns in the Woodley area were discussed; TL/2002/5798, St Johns Close and Mohawk Way (TL/2002/5949) the latter has received less feedback to the best of my knowledge, and a more favourable comment from the Woodley Council.

No further discussion has been undertaken that I have been made aware of. Since the beginning of March, I have requested a list of alternative locations from Woodley Town Council and only today received a provisional date to meet and discuss these with a view to substituting one larger site. Until such an alternative site is identified and found also to be technically suitable for the clients network, the current application will not be withdrawn.

...cont

Patrick Farfan
ASSOCIATES LIMITED

The proposed site at Mohawk Way is 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 an 8m-slimline column, with an antennae array located within a shroud at the top of the column.

By choosing a column design of similar appearance to the street scene and keeping the structure height to the minimum, 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.

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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Date: 03 April 2002

My ref: TL/2002/5949

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Jamie Philips
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Dear Mr Philips

RE: PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF AN 8.0M HIGH MICROCELL COLUMN CONSISTING OF 2 INTERNAL ANTENNA. INSTALLATION OF AN EQUIPMENT CABINET OF OVERALL DIMENSION OF 1 CUBIC METRE, AT LAND OPPOSITE SANDFORD PARK, MOHAWK WAY, WOODLEY.
APP.NO. TL/2002/5949

You have been recently sent a prior approval letter with regard to the above application.

Recently discussions have taken place with regard to the placement of telecommunications masts in the Woodley Area (i.e. the erection of two bigger structures is being considered rather than several smaller ones). In light of these discussions, I feel it would be best for you to consider withdrawing the current application.

Please let me know within the next 7 days what you wish to do with regards to the above application. Should you wish to discuss this matter you should contact Heidi Lynch on the above number.

Yours sincerely

Heidi Lynch

Planning Officer

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Dear Mr Philips

RE: PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF AN 8.0M HIGH MICROCELL COLUMN CONSISTING OF 2 INTERNAL ANTENNA. INSTALLATION OF AN EQUIPMENT CABINET OF OVERALL DIMENSION OF 1 CUBIC METRE, AT LAND OPPOSITE SANDFORD PARK, MOHAWK WAY, WOODLEY.
APP.NO. TL/2002/5949

I refer to your notification for the proposed erection of the above mentioned telecommunications apparatus, at land opposite Sandford Park, Mohawk Way, Woodley.

I write to formally advise you that the Local Planning Authority require Prior Approval of this scheme, in line with policy WIC14 of the Wokingham District Local Plan (Deposit Draft).

I hope this information is of use to you. Should you wish to discuss this matter you should contact Heidi Lynch on the above number.

Yours sincerely

TEW

T. Watson

Development Control Manager

Tel: (0118) 974 6482

Date: 3 April 2002

My ref: TL/2002/5949

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Councillor McCann
5 Seaford Gardens
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RG5 3LN

Dear Councillor

Application Number: TL/2002/5949
Land Opposite Sandford Park, Mohawk Way, Woodley, Reading.
Proposed erection of 8m high microcell column with 2 internal antenna plus 1 equipment cabinet.

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

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact **Heidi Lynch** on **(0118) 974 6482**. If you then feel the application needs to be transferred to the next available Development Control Committee for decision please fill in the form below.
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Yours faithfully

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Principal Development Control Officer

LISTING FORM
Case officer: **Heidi Lynch** Application Number: **TL/2002/5949**
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Proposed erection of 8m high microcell column with 2 internal antenna plus 1 equipment cabinet.

Transfer: Yes ☐ No ☐
Reason for Transfer:

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Signed: _____ Date: _____

Councillor McCann

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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Councillor Dredge
67 Welford Road
Woodley
RG5 3QS

Dear Councillor

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Transfer: Yes ☐ No ☐
Reason for Transfer:

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Councillor Dredge

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My ref: TL/2002/5949

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Councillor Lennard
8 Headley Close
Woodley
RG5 4SF

Dear Councillor

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Proposed erection of 8m high microcell column with 2 internal antenna plus 1 equipment cabinet.

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Transfer: Yes ☐ No ☐
Reason for Transfer:

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Councillor Lennard

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

"Haus-Veronika"
Sandford Manor
Woodley
Reading
RG5 4SY

Ms Heidi Lynch
Development Control Officer
Planning Services
Wokingham District Council
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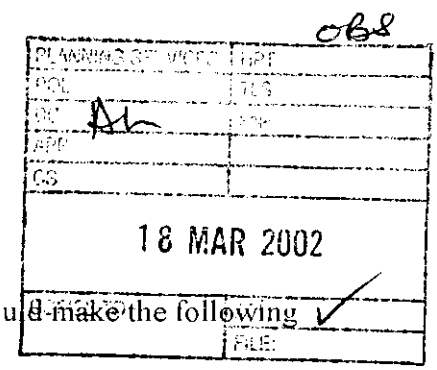
13th March 2002



Application Number TL/2002/5949

Dear Madam,

With reference to your letter dated 20th February 2002 I would make the following comments:

1. From the plan submitted it would appear that this column and equipment cabinet are to be erected on the grass verge, which constitutes part of the Public Highway and should be resisted at all costs.
2. I am extremely concerned regarding radiation from this type of installation and what danger it may cause to local residents.
3. As I understand that there are proposals for similar installations in other parts of the District I would question whether the Council has the necessary equipment and facilities for regular monitoring of any radiation.

I shall be obliged if you will inform me of the outcome of this planning application

Yours faithfully

M.W. Tarry

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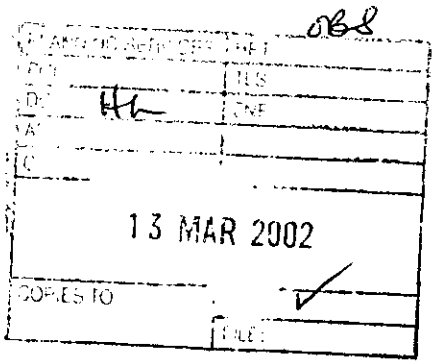

15 Mohawk Way
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9 March 2002

Ms H Lynch
Development Control Officer
Wokingham Unitary
Planning Services
PO Box 157
Shute End, Wokingham
Berkshire RG40 1WR

Dear Ms Lynch

Application Number: TL/20025949
Site Address: Land Opposite Sandford Park, Mohawk Way, Woodley, Reading
Proposal: Proposed erection of 8m high microcell column with 2 internal antenna plus
1 equipment cabinet.

Having viewed the plans I wish to object to the proposed Orange Pcsl column for which the above application has been made

1. Erecting the mast opposite a communal park when Orange has decided against placing the column in Buccaneer Close due to the proximity of a school.

2. Erecting the column on a piece of land technically described as 'countryside' when in fact the column will be situated in a built up residential area.

3. A potential health hazard as people have grave concerns regarding mobile phones and masts. In Crediton, Devon, for example, four people living near an Orange Pcsl mast have developed cancer and are calling for an inquiry.

4. As a result of the proposed erection of this mast there will undoubtedly be devaluation of property in the area due to health concerns and also the visual impact of such a column on the environment.

5. There may also be concerns in the future if Orange wish to upgrade the proposed mast.

Therefore, I request that you reject this application.

Yours sincerely

S Woodgate (Mrs)

Susan Woodgate

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10th March 2002

Wokingham District Council
Planning Services
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Your ref: Heidi Lynch TL/2002/5949

Dear Sir/Madam,

Application No. TL/2002/5949
Site: Land Opposite Sandford Park, Mohawk Way, Woodley
Proposal: Proposed erection of 8m high microcell column and cabinet

We would like to register our strong objections to the above proposed siting of a mobile 'phone mast.

1) The proposed site is in a totally exposed position with no trees or other screening and would be a blot on the landscape in a semi-rural area. (Despite assurances by a senior representative of Orange, at a Woodley Town Council planning open meeting on 5th March, that they 'carefully selected sites with maximum screening').
2) The site is across the road from and within 15 yards of a children's playing field in Sandford Park. With the ongoing fear (safety is not proven) of health hazards, especially to children, the site is highly inappropriate.
3) There is already the main Heathrow Airport aircraft radio beacon within approx 70 yards of the proposed site and another radio beacon will add a cumulative and unacceptable health danger to my family and neighbouring families.
4) The site is directly on the edge of the roadside and leaves no passing place for pedestrians, (especially those with pushchairs) who already find it difficult enough crossing to and from the Sandford Lane side of the road to the Park/bus stop, without the worry of an additional hazard/obstruction. The proposed site is exactly opposite the pedestrian entrance to the park and immediately next to and opposite bus stops (terminus). There is no footpath on the proposed site side of the road.
5) Mohawk Way is already a dangerous road (as proven by the fact that the council have recently installed 195 very large solid wooden bollards around the bend on the Sandford Park side of the road to protect the metal fencing which was being crashed into by cars so regularly). Despite a 30mph speed limit the traffic travels fast (50/60mph) along Mohawk Way and there is the added hazard/pollution of dozens of lorry movements a day to the adjacent Sandford Farm quarry site.
6) The proposed location of the beacon is next to a young oak tree – would they take this down, damage the roots, cut it down when it became larger and interfered with 'their beacon'? I would rather have an oak tree than a beacon – wouldn't you? (The piece of land next to the site used to be a mature wooded copse, with very large 50 plus years old poplars/oaks/willows etc until it was destroyed by the land owner before applying for planning permission for a housing development two years ago – the development was turned down but he had already destroyed a living natural habitat). Some trees are now growing again including the above mentioned oak.
7) It is clear from the huge attendance at the Woodley Town Council planning meeting on 5th March that the local community do not want these beacons polluting our environment. Demand is being driven by the operators not the community.

We trust that Wokingham District planning department will take the wishes of the community into account and refuse this application.

Yours faithfully,
Joanne and Roger Playfair

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6th March 2002

Heidi Lynch
Case Office
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Environmental
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RG40 1WR

Dear Sirs

TL/2002/5949

We are writing to oppose the application for use of the land by Orange Pcsl opposite Sandford Park, Mohawk Way, Woodley, Reading.

We feel very strongly as do all of the residents whom I have spoken to within the area. It is felt that to erect this microcell in such close proximity of a school, childrens play area and recreation grounds, and in an area highly populated with children is not acceptable. The end result for us as family is that we would have to move from the area. If necessary we will raise a petition to prevent the above taking place.

We would ask you to consider these issues.

Yours sincerely

Mr M & Mrs E Davies

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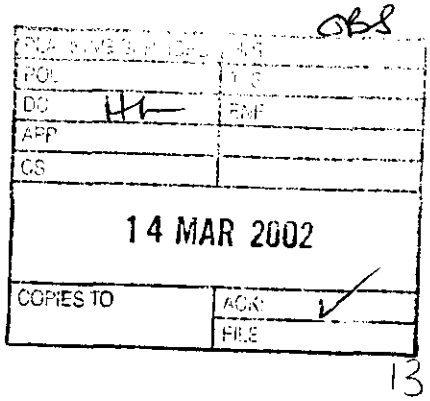

Sandford Manor,
Sandford Lane,
Woodley.
Berkshire,
RG5 4SY.

13th March 2001.

ATTN. Heidi Lynch.
Development Control Officer
Wokingham District Council.
Planning Services.
PO BOX 157
SHUTE End.

Ref: TL/2002/5949.
Re: Proposed erection of 8m. high Microcell and Cabinet.

As a local resident living within 100ms of this proposal I totally object to it for the following reasons:-

(1) Health and Safety. The Stewart Report (2000) takes no regard to the cumulative effects on radio waves as was pointed out at the meeting at Woodford Park Council offices. We all know that standards change. At present the Stewart Report sets standards that Orange are prepared to stick to, but this could easily be revised and we then realise our health and safety have been jeopardised. I am not prepared to accept this risk as a mother of two young children.

(2) There is no screening to lessen the impact of the installation on the local environment.

(3) Local Orange users are happy with their service at present. Why does it need upgrading?

(4) Blight on local property values.

(5) I understand that a similar installation for

Vodaphone was erected at the St. Johns area of Woodley. Local residents stated that once permission had been gained that as long as the mast height did not increase any number of additional units / appendages could be added without further planning consent. This indeed is what happened. One Local resident likened the structure to a tree with a branching appearance where does it stop?

(6) As only one of 5 operators, how long will it be before the rest of the mobile phone operators come calling and the whole of Woodley / Wokingham become covered by these Installations?

(7) Much discussion took place at the Woodford Park Council offices of the merits of Macrocell masts over Microcell masts. While I oppose any increase in these structures at least a Macrocell installation, sensitively located in Low density housing areas would lessen the visual impact on residential housing areas. The blight of these structures should not be borne by local communities of Mohawk Way or Western Avenue. It is wholly unfair when more suitable sites could be found.

(8) Orange have used little initiative in siting these proposed Masts. Using Highways land at no cost to themselves is a cop out, leaving local residents unhappy, blighted in the wake of their greedy profiteering.

Yours sincerely,

Miss M.L. McCarthy.

WOKINGHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND HOUSING

MEMORANDUM

To: Heidi Lynch
Development Control

Your Ref: TL/2002/5949

From: Tom Payne
Environmental Health

My Ref: 000258

Date. 22 February 2002

PROPOSED ERECTION OF 8M HIGH MICROCELL COLUMN WITH 2 INTERNAL ANTENNA PLUS 1 EQUIPMENT CABINET.

LAND OPPOSITE SANDFORD PARK, MOHAWK WAY, WOODLEY.

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.

T. Payne.

TOM PAYNE
SENIOR ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION & HOUSING

HIGHWAYS CONSULTATION SHEET

From: Heidi Lynch **Date:** 20 February 2002

Application Number: TL/2002/5949

Proposal: Proposed erection of 8m high microcell column with 2 internal antenna plus 1 equipment cabinet.

Parish: WOODLEY TOWN

Site Address:
Land Opposite Sandford Park, Mohawk Way, Woodley, Reading.

Applicant:
Orange Pcsl C/O Patrick Farfan.

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).

Signed: _____ **Print name:** Adam 22/02/02

FROM: Heidi Lynch

DATE: 20 February 2002

WOODLEY TOWN CONSULTATION SHEET

Application Number: TL/2002/5949

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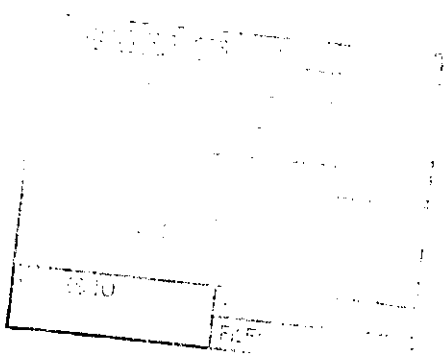
Applicant: Orange Pcsl C/O Patrick Farfan.

Your observations are required in respect of this application **by 15/03/2002** .

The committee considered that the open nature of the proposed site would mean that the mast would be visually intrusive on the amenity of the area. There were also some doubts raised by residents over the ownership of the land.

Following a presentation by Orange and attendance by approx. 150 people at the Plans Committee meeting, the Town Council would like to take an overall look at other more appropriate mast sites in Woodley and would prefer this application to be deferred, pending the outcome of further discussions.



SIGNED: _____ DATE: 7.3.02.

Clerk To Woodley Parish/Town Council.

~~To:~~ From Peter J. Anderson.
Property Dept

~~From:~~ To: Heidi Lynch

Date: 20 February 2002

Application Number: TL/2002/5949



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Heidi

I have examined the area that these plans relate to and it is designated Highway verge. There are no council property within the area and therefore this department has no opinion with regard to the application

Peter J. Anderson

Peter J. Anderson
Technical Assistant

Rang on 4th March 2002

Kevin Lynch
4 Catalina Close

- Objects are to unresolved health concerns
  - wants no development until these have been resolved

- any covenants on piece of land it is to be erected on ie. no commercial development

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Case officer

Tel: 0118 974 6315 (Direct Line)
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Email: karen.satterford@wokingham.gov.uk
Date: 14th March 2002
My ref: KS/pb/DesMarch/5

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Jane Griffiths MP
Labour Reading East
10 Church Street
Reading RG1 2SD

Dear Jane

Thank you for your letter of 11th March 2002 with enclosed correspondence from Ms Helen Symington of 19 Catalina Close outlining her objections to an application to erect a mobile mast on Mohawk Way.

Please be advised that I have forwarded your letter to the case officer involved, with a request that Ms Symington's comments are incorporated in his/her report to the Development Control Committee.

Yours sincerely,

Karen Satterford

Karen Satterford
Director of Environmental Services

Des March 15

Jane Griffiths MP, Labour Reading East

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WOKINGHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL
12 MAR 2002
DIRECTOR OF
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

① Ack.
② Advise passed to case officer

Dear Karen

I am writing further to correpsondence with Ms Helen Symington, 19 Catalina Close, Woodley, Reading during which she has raised objections to the application to erect a mobile phone mast on Mohawk Way.

I would be grateful if you would look into this application and ensure that Ms Symington's objections are taken into account when considering this application.

If you need any further information from me or if I can be of further assistance please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely

Jane

Jane Griffiths MP
Labour Reading East

Karen Satterford,
Director of Environmental Services
Wokingham District Council
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-----Original Message-----
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Sent: 06 March 2002 11:40
To: griffithsj@parliament.uk
Subject: Contact Form

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
(helensymington@hotmail.com) on Wednesday, March 6, 2002 at 06:39:40
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firstname: helen

familyname: symington

housenumber: 19

street: Catalina Close

locality: reading

postcode: RG5 $UG

comments: Hi Jane,

I am a householder in Woodley and am alarmed to hear about the proposal to erect a phone mast on a piece of land on Mohawk Way (on the Airfield estate, opposite the park).

I'm hoping that an MP of someone of similar standing will take notice of this action and help to prevent the phone mast being approved.

Please will you give me advice about how best I can contest this planning application.

Regards

Helen Symington

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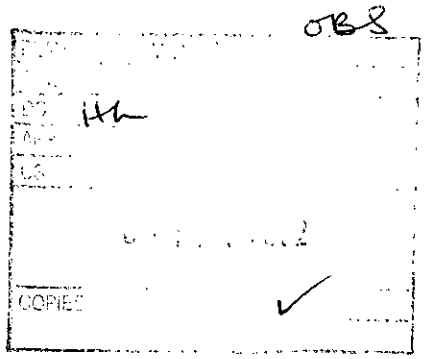

26th February 2002

Wokingham Unitary
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FAO Heidi Lynch

Dear Heidi,

Re: TL/2002/5949

Thank you for your letter of 20th February regarding the proposed erection of the 8 m high microcell column at Sandford Park, Mowhawk Way.

I find it hard to believe that you will pass this application and assume your letter is part of your statutory duty to advise local residents.

I would however want to record most strongly my personal objection to the site, partly on the visual damage this mast will do but more importantly on the possible health implications on my family and the other local residents.

The proposed site is directly adjacent to a public playing fields within which is a children's park, it will abound an area of local natural beauty / nature reserve and will be within 500 metres of a local youth centre and local school – hardly the ideal spot to locate a mast which may or may not be radiating harmful emissions!

I would be grateful if you could please acknowledge receipt of this letter and also confirm whether Wokingham Unitary will be receiving a fee from Orange from the construction of this mast.

I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Yours sincerely,

A. Williams

Amanda Williams (Mrs)
27 Constable Close
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Reading
RG5 4US

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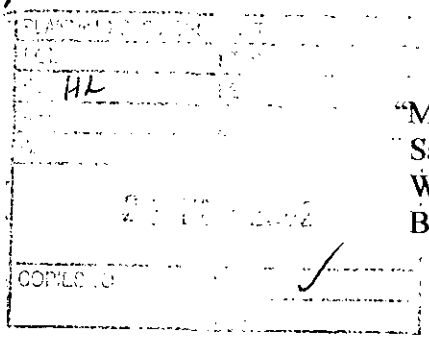

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Woodley, Reading,
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Wokingham Unitary
Planning Services,
P.O. Box 157, Shute End,
Wokingham, RG40 1WR

For the attention of Heidi Lynch 25.2.2002.

Dear Sirs,

This letter is in response to the proposed erection of 8m high microcell column with 2 internal antenna plus 1 equipment cabinet on land opposite Sandford Park.

I would like to state here and now that my husband and I object very strongly to Orange Pcsl erecting this equipment which is very near to our property. We all know the dangers of radiation that come with the erection of these telecommunication sites. Apart from the radiation dangers to people in this area, this column will be in full view between lamposts 15 and 16 along Mohawk Way, which will be very unsightly. We cannot understand why this particular site has been chosen. The land immediately behind is privately owned. The owner, we presume has also had this same letter sent to them. As we know, along with the Planning Department, the owner of this land has, on a couple of occasions put in planning instructions to build houses on this site. Both times he has had a refusal. We on the other hand would prefer houses to the dangers of radiation.

We also live directly beside the Civil Aviation Beacon, and we are not sure as to the safety of this beacon. Recently they have been putting in more equipment underground, so one has to ask is this new equipment safe for residents in the area. Did they need your permission to do this? Have the CAA been informed of this new proposal? It could affect this beacon, which is only a short distance away from this proposed site, which communicates, of course, with aircraft.

We would like you to inform us as to why this particular site was chosen, when there is other land in the area where there are no residents? Just because there are only a few residents in the direct vicinity, we hope that this application will be turned down.

Yours faithfully,

D.E. SHARP (MRS)

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Sandford Manor Cottage,
Sandford Lane,
Woodley
Reading, RG5 4TA.
1st March 02.

Your Ref. Heidi Lynch TL/2002/5949

Dear Sir/Madam,

The proposed erection of an 8m column is I believe unnecessary. Near neighbours who live within 200m of the proposed mast have mobile phones operating on the Orange network and they are perfectly satisfied with the operating efficiency of their phones.

The proposed siting of the mast does not consider the fears - real or not, - of people living close by. The possible health dangers associated with transmitting masts are currently under investigation and in the meantime the Orange company should be more considerate & sensitive to people's fears and not site their masts close to houses.

The siting of the mast in such a prominent position is totally insensitive to the semi-rural character of the area.

I urge the council to refuse this application.

Yours sincerely,
J. Harrison (Mr).

Copy To Woodley Town Council.

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Mrs C Longhurst
19 Mohawk Way
Woodley
Reading
Berkshire RG5 4UE

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Application Number: TL/2002/5949

The sitting of this proposed mast must surely be questionable due to the proximity to a public park and housing.

The risk of radiation has yet to be disproved and therefore must constitute a health hazard.

I must register my objection to this proposal and feel sure others within the area will also object most strongly.

Yours sincerely

C.E. Longhurst

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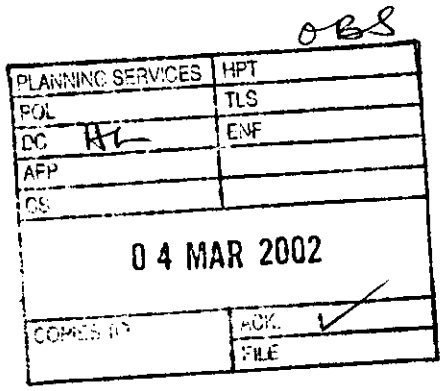

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Dear Sir/Madam

PLAN NO. TL/2002/5949: Proposed erection of 8m high microcell column – land opposite Sandford Park, Mohawk Way.

I write with reference to the above planning application, and wish to notify you of my strong objections which are detailed below:

1. I have very grave concerns as to the health implications that such a microcell column will have upon my husband and I, and our two young children, as we live directly opposite the site. Just this week there have been several items on the news highlighting the fact that there is a link to these masks and several different types of cancer. I feel that we have already suffered enough due to danger of leaking methane gases from the adjacent land in Sandford Park. My husband was recently diagnosed with cancer and is still under observation at the Royal Berks Cancer Clinic, so we feel that this proposal will only cause us even more anxiety.

2. The area of land on which this application is proposed was the subject of a previous application only last year. This previous application was to erect 4 dwellings and was rejected on the grounds that the land was considered part of Dinton Pastures Country Park, and therefore a conservation area. Surely such a microcell column would spoil the appearance of this conservation area and would have serious effects upon the surrounding wildlife.

3. The road which runs adjacent to the proposed site, Mohawk Way, is already very busy and is just before the entrance to Sandford Lane. It is situated at the beginning of a bend in the road where cars are known to speed round, there is also a constant flow of lorries entering the Summerleaze site, added to this there are 2 bus stops on each side of the road opposite the site which act as terminus stops. Surely such a proposed eyesore as this will only distract drivers more on an already dangerous stretch of road.

4. I also feel that such a proposal will have a detrimental effect on the value of my house which has already been effected by the health and safety problems with Sandford Farm and its building proposals which have still yet to be finalised.

I hope you will consider these valid points before reaching a decision and will notify me when a decision has been reached.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Teresa London

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FAO Heidi Lynch

Dear Heidi

Re : TL/2002/5949

Thank you for your letter of 20th February, regarding the proposed erection of an 8m high microcell column opposite Sandford Park, Mohawk Way, Woodley.

Due to the fact that it has not yet been proved that these masts are not the cause of some cancer cases, I am absolutely appalled to think that you are considering to pass this application and hope that this letter is just a courtesy letter to advise local residents that an application has been received.

I would like it to be placed on record of my most strong personal objection to the site, partly on the visual aspect but most importantly, on the possible health risks it imposes on my husband and two young daughters. God forbid, should this application be passed and anything should happen to my family and it be proven that the mast had anything to do with it, please be rest assured that I would do my utmost to claim compensation from the parties responsible for this mast.

Has anybody actually looked to see where this site is? It is opposite public playing fields in a children's park, very near to a wildlife park and will be 500 metres from a local youth centre and local school- surely you must agree that this is not the ideal spot to locate a mast which may or may not radiate harmful emissions!

Please acknowledge receipt of this objection and confirm whether or not this application is approved.

In addition, I would also like to know if Wokingham Council will be receiving a fee from Orange from the construction of this mast, or Mr Coff, the owner of the land.

I look forward to hearing from you by return.

Yours sincerely,

J Drake

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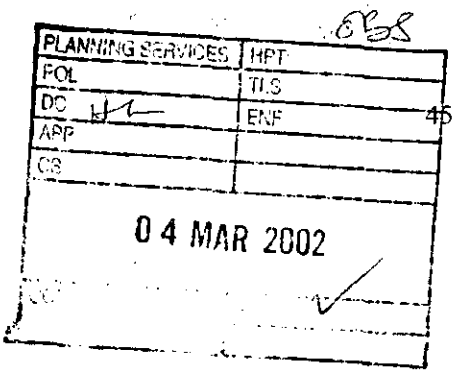

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Dear Ms Lynch

Application Number: TL/2002/5949

Thank you for your letter dated 20th February 2002, informing me of an application by Orange Pcsl to erect a microcell column on land opposite Sandford Park. I have a number of concerns about this application, which I should be grateful if you would consider in your review of the proposal.

Firstly, I feel that the column is too near the residential area of Woodley Airfield. There have been many reports on the possible health risks associated with these columns. This particular column would be in close proximity to Woodley C of E Primary School and adjacent to a park which is frequently used by young children. Unless Orange can guarantee that there is no danger to health from the column it should not be allowed to be built in the proposed location.

Secondly, I am concerned that the transmissions from the column will interfere with television and radio reception on the Airfield estate. Furthermore the proposed location is directly under the flight path into Heathrow and it is well known that mobile phones can cause interference with certain aircraft systems. Again, can Orange guarantee that no interference will result from this column and that there is no risk to passing aircraft.

Finally I should like to object to the proposal on the grounds that it will be environmentally detrimental to the area. The view from Sandford Park, over this piece of land, out to the countryside is one of the few views in Woodley that is not blocked by housing or industrial units and building a column in the middle of this area will be a major blot on landscape. I believe the value of housing on the Airfield will also drop if this column is built.

In summary, I accept the need for these columns but feel the location of this proposal is wrong. Could it not be moved onto land further out in the country possibly on the edge of Lea Farm or on land across Sandford Lane opposite Dinton Pastures where it would be less visible and where it would be well away from any major residential area.

Thank you for taking my views in to consideration.

Yours sincerely

Chris Webb

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Dear Ms Lynch,

Application Number: TL/2002/5949
Proposal to Erect a Mobile Phone Tower

I refer to the above application by Orange to erect an 8m high telecommunications tower on land at the Woodley end of Sandford Lane, explained in your letter of 20 February. I have taken the trouble to find out more about these plans and I feel strongly that construction of this equipment should not be allowed for the following reasons:

1 An 8m high tower on the land would be an eyesore, particularly as the area is flat and open and it would be impossible to conceal an industrial style metal structure. Furthermore, the site is a valuable semi-rural space at the end of a popular country lane and the proposal is against your policy of retaining a rural aspect to this area.

2 There is a possible health risk caused by the electromagnetic waves around mobile phone equipment. Orange will no doubt dispute this evidence, but I would ask you to consider its arguments in the light of its vested interest. Also, whilst I understand that there is doubt over health risks, I still feel it would be irresponsible of WDC to place an aerial close to residential property, and the many children and families that enjoy the adjacent Sandford Park.

3 If an aerial is essential for the area (which I doubt because I can get an Orange phone signal at home) then I believe there to be realistic alternative locations nearby, such as Thames Water's sewage pumping station that is probably within 75m of the proposed site.

Yours sincerely,

Keith Attfield

cc: Woodley Town Council

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5th March 2002

Ref. TL/2002/5949
Re. Proposed erection of 8m high microcell column and cabinet.

Dear Heidi,

As a local resident living within 100yds. of proposed erection, I was horrified to receive your letter dated 20th February 2002. I would like to put a few points forward for your attention.

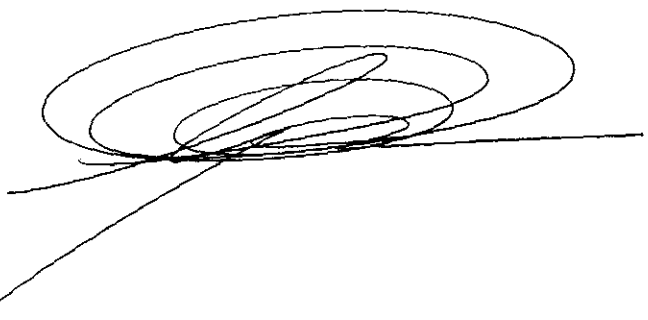
1. I can only assume this proposal has been put forward by a landowner or developer who has absolutely no regard for the local residents and is quite obviously only concerned with making a 'quick buck' out of what is a meagre space of land. Those responsible for the application clearly do not live near the site and would probably never need the use of the column. I'm sure they like all of us would not want it positioned so close to their own home.
2. We are all aware of the possible effects to the health of people living close to these installations, especially children. Already many cases of cancer and tumours have been connected to people living in the vicinity of electrical installations. There is at present investigations going on as to the effects of radio transmitters and telecommunications masts throughout the country. We may not know the effects they might have for several years and although there is no proof, that is no reason to subject anyone to the possibility of danger. As the father of two young children aged 5 & 3 years old, I am horrified their health may be at risk for the sake of someone else's profit. How many years do we as 'guinea pigs' have to wait find out.
3. Last year we also suffered the loss of the wooded copse on the corner of Sandford Lane and Mohawk way. Bonfires burned unattended as we saw this home to wildlife destroyed. Preservation orders on the large trees were unfortunately too late. Amongst the trees and shrubs was one magnificent poplar nearly 100 years old and probably planted with the others on Sandford Manor drive when the estate was built. Again, this was all due to proposed development of houses on this spot, which has now exposed the area to 'creeping development' to a semi-rural area as well as possible habitation of 'travellers' and the effects they might have on the community.
4. The proposed position of the Antennae would surely mean the loss of any path to and past the bus stop along Mohawk way. Where would pedestrians be expected to walk ?
5. It would be a blot on the landscape.
6. The Antennae and electrical cabinet would be exposed to vandalism thus further lowering the standard of the community. How are they proposing to cordon off this column from the public, surely there isn't the room ?
7. We already have a large Antennae in the Woodley Beacon along Sandford Manor drive. Is it fair to be subjected to another potentially dangerous installation to this area ? Perhaps it is a case of 'One more won't matter'. How long before all the other networks request applications ?
8. The obvious reduction in value of our properties would be dramatic. Who would ever wish to buy into an area with such an installation.
9. There are local residents living within 200yards of this proposed installation who use Orange mobile phones and have no problems with their connection. Why is it therefore necessary to install such a column to an area that clearly doesn't need it ?

10. We all work hard to keep this community and area beautiful. The Councillors are elected by us for the good of the community. Approval for this Antennae would not be in the interest of this community whatsoever. The only persons to benefit would not be members of this community.
11. If these Mobile Phone Communication Antennaes are so important, surely they could be positioned away from homes and communities near Motorways for instance.

Who can honestly hold up their hand to be happy to have one of these Telecommunication Antennaes built on their doorstep, and who is prepared to stand up as responsible for the possible consequences of the long term effects to the health of our families should this proposal be approved.

I rely on your good judgement to refuse outright this proposal.

Yours Sicerely,



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Dear Ms. Lynch,

In reply to your letter regarding the above my husband and myself object to this most strongly for the following reasons.

(1) It is far too near to residential housing.

(2) It has not been proven that these masts do not affect peoples health. In fact only this week on the television news was a road in Redbridge, Essex where there is one of these masts and five houses close by have people suffering with cancer. The local authority is running investigations into any links there are.

(3) It is far too near to Sandford Park where children are always present. The other side of the park is the Woodley Church of England School.

(4) There are more than enough greenfield sites, stick it in the middle of one of these.

(5) How much money is being paid and

who will benefit from this. Certainly not the residents of Woodley Airfield.

Yours Sincerely

P. A. Harrington

(Mrs.)

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RE. Application Number TL/2002/5949

Dear Ms Lynch

Thank you for the letter regarding the application to erect telecommunications equipment by Orange Pcsi.

I would like to object to the proposal made by Orange, as I feel that the equipment would be both unsightly and a health risk in a residential area.

Yours sincerely

Anita Cooper

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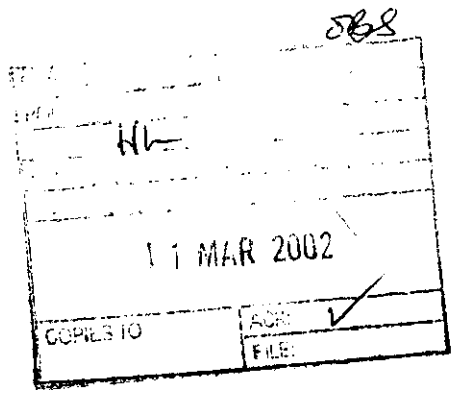

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8 March 2002

Dear Ms Lynch

RE: APPLICATION NO: TL/2002/5949 - LAND OPPOSITE SANDFORD PARK, MOHAWK WAY, WOODLEY

Further to your recent letter dated 20 February 2002, we are writing to STRONGLY OBJECT to the proposed erection of an 8m high microcell column by Orange Pcsl at the above location.

Not for the first time, we would like to point out that the Airfield Development and surrounding areas is wholly residential and occupied mainly by families, with many young babies and children. One would have had to have been on another planet to have not heard the adverse publicity surrounding mobile phones and their masts, particularly surrounding the danger to children.

We personally try to do everything in our power to ensure our children, aged five and three (and a third child expected in June) lead as healthy a lifestyle as possible. Neither of us smoke, and we do not live in a smog filled city or industrial town, nor do we allow them to talk on mobile phones. Why on earth then, would we be happy about the above proposed microcell column being erected practically in our back garden?

Not only are we concerned about the health risks surrounding these columns, but also the effect it would have on property prices in the surrounding areas. We are totally flabbergasted that this could even be considered an option in a residential area such as this. We can just about tolerate having heavy lorries thundering down Mohawk Way and into Perimeter Road behind our house, but at least they stop at a certain time. A mobile phone column would be a permanent fixture and not something we are prepared to tolerate.

We therefore repeat that we STRONGLY OBJECT to this proposal and look forward to hearing that it has been rejected.

Yours sincerely

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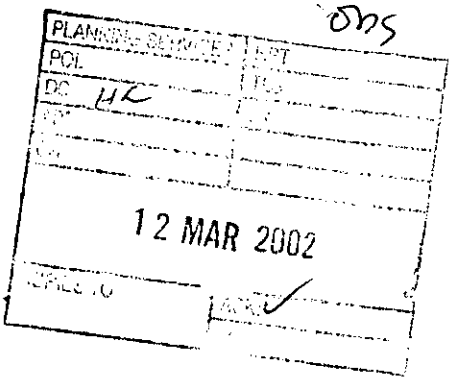

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F.A.O. Heidi Lynch
Development Control Officer

Re: TL/2002/5949.

As we live right next to Sandford Park, Mohawk Way and have young children we are concerned about the proposed erection of a Telecom Mask, in a so called beauty spot of Dinton Pastures which is used by us and others for walks with our children with the safety element involved, as far as I understand there is no legal evidence or test yet to say they are 100% safe. Our kids play in the Park and they have football pitches as well which are all ways in use with kids at a weekend. Surly there must be better sites away from an area that has swings and slides in for children already. As I understand a lot of these mask erected pay rent to have them standing, as a council tax payer would I get a rebat on my council tax to have this near my home? On these brief notes I object against it and would take strong legal measures if this proposal was accepted.

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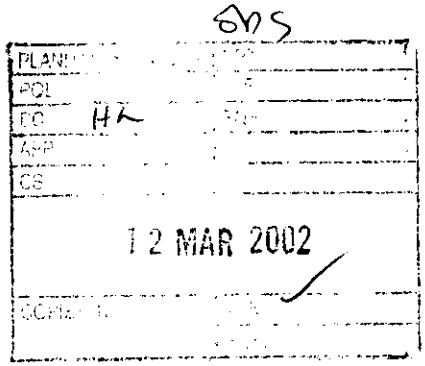

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11th March 2002

Dear Sir/Madam

Reference : TL/2002/5949

Despite statements by so called experts that there are no detrimental effects from antenna's there will still be concerns from people who live in the near location of such antenna. I therefore strongly object to the application on the following grounds:

- Potential medical affects
- Concerns from the local community
- Proposal does not enhance the local environment
- It is not essential for an antenna to be in this location

As the Council is responsible for protecting the environment I believe that they should reject the application on the above grounds.

Yours Faithfully,

P J Larrad

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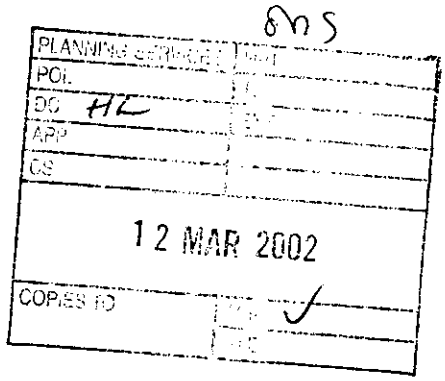

11 March, 2002

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Dear Ms Heidi Lynch,

Ref: Application Number TL/2002/5949 – Proposed erection of 8m high microcell column with 2 internal antenna plus 1 equipment cabinet.

We feel that we must protest against this application in the **strongest** possible terms.

This request from Orange Personal Communications Ltd is a clear attempt to bring commercial development to a residential area adjacent to the Dinton Pastures Conservation Area.

Orange PCS state that it has chosen this site as it is struggling to provide satisfactory network coverage to existing customers in the locality. This is not substantiated in its application. We can confirm that coverage by the Orange Network in and around our property in Sandford Lane is perfectly adequate and that there are no difficulties in either obtaining a signal or acquiring a channel for communications. The only Technical Justification is based on signal strength, not capacity, as no figures are given for the number of times that the existing network covering the South Woodley area has reached saturation levels. The figures for Signal Strength are merely provided by Orange and not independently verified. Before Wokingham District Council should consider such an application it should conduct its own survey of the area to determine the validity of such claims. By its own admission, Orange PCS intends to serve the area along Mohawk Way, e.g. Catalina Close and Constable Close, using microcells with a range of only 150 to 400 metres in a residential area with virtually no capability of growth either in the number of local residents or passing traffic. The only justification appears to be a vague expectation of future growth, capacity to meet licence obligations, not customer demand in South Woodley, and third generation technology which to date has no customer base.

The concept that the microcell equipment is designed to mimic existing street furniture is obviously flawed and under no circumstances can it be viewed as fitting in with the existing surroundings. The mast is clearly not a street light. It is significantly higher than a street light, it has a large piece of equipment located on the grass next to it which could be a source of noise and will therefore have a direct impact on the visual amenities of the surrounding residential properties and by implication their value. Some of the nearby properties along Sandford Lane are listed buildings and it is out of character to introduce a mobile mast base station into an area in such close proximity to these buildings. The proposal to locate it in

the grass verge to avoid encroaching upon pedestrian movement will force people walking to the Bus Stop to step off the grass verge and on to the carriageway which is clearly a road traffic safety issue. Furthermore people will have to stand at the Bus Stop whilst waiting for the bus. They will be almost directly under the mast and unable to exercise any choice in the matter if they are to continue to use public transport. We believe that this is a potential health issue (see later paragraphs).

The fact that there are no other operators' sites in this area will encourage these operators to request mast sharing facilities leading to future upgrades and a conversion to a multiple antenna design if this proposal is accepted. This is the thin end of a wedge, which will blight the area and clearly have a visual amenity impact.

Orange has stated that it has considered other sites in the location, but had rejected them for various reasons including close proximity to a school. The only conclusion one can draw from such a statement is that they have some concerns over the health effects or the perceived health effects that these masts could have on children. We believe that if the reason for the rejection of one of the sites by Orange is to offer protection to local children then it is equally justifable to be concerned over the health of children whilst at home; after all the children will spend more time at home rather than anywhere else. If it is essential to offer protection in one location it is equally essential to offer the same protection at all locations. There are children living in the homes that are in the range of the microcell's transmissions.

Orange tries to make the case that it is for central Government to determine the health safeguards for phone base stations and that it is not an issue for local planning permission. This is **not** true. Whilst it is not for the Councillors to consider the facts of the case, **they do have** to consider the implications of a health fear on the general public. Paragraph 29 of the PPG8 clearly states that it is up to the Council to decide how much weight it wishes to give to the health issue (or perception of health risk).

On a personal note, we do not accept the Government assurances that mobile phone base station masts are safe. The much-heralded fact that these installations comply with ICNIRP guidelines is **not** proof that they are indeed safe. The health risks are still being researched by the W.H.O. and the E.U. and in many countries around the world these exposure limits are being lowered. UK measurements are also based solely on thermal effects (i.e. heating of body tissue) and do not take into account the other biological effects of non-ionising radiation, for example cell breakdown, DNA damage or the production of tumours. Whilst the jury is still out, it is inappropriate to allow the continued introduction of these masts in close proximity to people. The "Precautionary Principle" over such concerns as laid down in the Maastricht Treaty is still applicable. This has been further endorsed by the Stewart Panel which was set up in 1999 as an Independent Expert Group to look into telecommunications and endorsed the view that the precautionary approach should be adopted until more detailed scientific evidence and information is available. As a result the Local Government Association (LGA) hailed the findings of the Stewart Report and stated that this **will** allow authorities to listen to all the concerns of local residents about the siting of masts.

The fact that we both believe that something is damaging to our health is sufficient to affect the quality of our lives both now and in the future. The health risks are **not** to be discounted; we are all only too well aware of the Government's statements on BSE and its assertion that

there were no risks to human health, only to discover later the tragic consequences for those who have since gone on to develop New Variant CJD, now widely accepted to be associated with the consumption of BSE infected meat.

One final point that the Council should also take into consideration is the fact that our property is a summer nursery roost for a colony of Pipistrelle Bats. As you are probably aware, a small area around a few of the lakes in Dinton Pastures is an important location in the Wokingham District Council area where this endangered species is known to exist and this roost is therefore important to the conservation of the species. Whilst there is no evidence to suggest that transmissions from mobile masts affect the echo location system used by bats there have been suggestions that when these installations are activated bats cease to live in the immediate area. It is believed that the microwave radiation interferes with the bats inbuilt radar and they cannot find their way around and starve or fly into the masts. This would then be, in effect, a violation of the Act designed to protect endangered species as it would be equivalent to destroying their roost. As our property would be in the envelope of maximum radiation then as a precautionary measure we would urge you to reject this application until such time as a full impact assessment of Mobile Mast Base Stations on Bat Roosts has been undertaken.

In conclusion, if this application is approved, this will materially diminish the quality of our lives by allowing a mast in such close proximity to our property. It will put us in the envelope of maximum radiation, which will materially affect the value of our property (reducing it in value as few people would be willing to live near such a mast if they are given the choice because of public health concerns) and our amenity in terms of visual impact and the severe anxiety about possible health effects. Furthermore, it is a contravention of our Human Right to have a private and family life, in addition to the peaceful enjoyment of our possessions. In our view the Council should adopt a precautionary approach with respect to Mobile Mast Base Stations and operate a 200-metre exclusion zone around residential areas until all the facts are known. Based on this, the current application for a 8m high microcell column with 2 internal antenna, to be sighted on Land Opposite Sandford Park, Mohawk Way, Woodley, Reading, should be rejected.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr David E. Green

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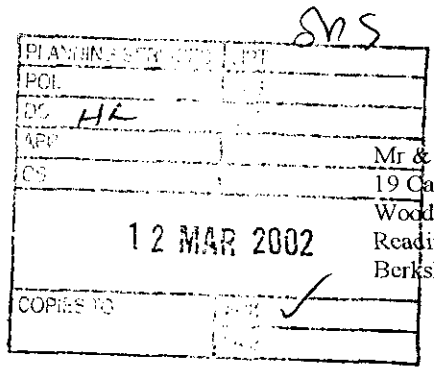

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10 March 2002

Dear Sir

RE: PLANNING APPLICATION No. TL/2002/5949 ERECTION OF TELECOMMUNICATION MAST ON LAND OPPOSITE SANDFORD PARK, MOHAWK WAY, WOODLEY, READING

I write in objection to the proposed erection of a telecommunication mast and ancillary building on land situate opposite Sandford Park, Mohawk Way, Woodley, Reading . The siting and design of the proposed mast will detract from, and adversely affect the amenity of the locality. I urge the local authority to invoke your powers under Article 4 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995. I am sure the committee will agree that it would be expedient in order to protect the amenity of the locality, and for the good planning of the area, that an Article 4 order should be made.

As you will be aware, there are a large number of conflicting academic reports on the dangers of irradiation emitted from base stations. With this in mind I urge you to follow the recommendation of the Stewart Report, and adopt a **precautionary approach** *(see para 1.21 and 6.16 of that report)* in deciding applications for telecommunication base stations. This approach as you will be aware is enshrined within national planning policy structure of the UK, as well as European legislation (***Please refer to the Government White Paper "This Common Inheritance", PPG23 "Planning and Pollution Control" and "Sustainable Development - the UK Strategy", as well as being enshrined in the Treaty of European Union (Maastricht, 1992; in force from 1.11.93) - Title XVI: Environment, Article 130r)***:

Article 130r

"1) Community policy on the environment shall contribute to pursuit of the following objectives:

- *preserving, protecting and improving the quality of the environment;*
- ***protecting human health;***
- *par prudent and rational utilisation of natural resources;*
- ***Promoting measures at international level to deal with regional or worldwide environmental problems.***

2) Community policy on the environment shall aim at a high level of protection taking into account the diversity of situations in the various regions of the Community. ***It shall be based on the precautionary principles that preventative action should be taken, that environmental damage should be rectified at source and that the polluter should pay...*** *(p39)"*
The Stewart Report states at para 1.19:

We conclude therefore that 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'.
I am very concerned that the biological affects and irradiation emmitted from the proposed development will affect not only my own health but that of my family, and those visiting my home. As such I urge you to use the power confered upon you by para 29 of PPG8 and attach considerable weight to the fear that the majority of local residents have.
The Stewart Report recommends that exclusion zones are placed around all base stations, and indeed some countries already have exclusion zones. This recommendation clearly indicates that there is a potential for concern in placing masts close to sensitive locations such as schools, hospitals and residential areas.
Exclusion Zones (1.44)
We recommend the establishment of clearly defined physical exclusion zones around base station antennas, which delineate areas within which exposure guidelines may be exceeded (paragraph 6.49 – 6.52). The incorporation of exclusion zones should be part of the template of planning protocols that we advocate.
Physical Barriers (1.45)
Each exclusion zone should be defined by a physical barrier and a readily identifiable nationally agreed sign with a logo. This should inform the public and workers that inside the exclusion zone there might be RF emissions which exceed national guidelines.
The government recommends that local authorities do not take health effects into consideration, however many local authorities are rejecting these recommendations including Kent County Council, which refuses to endorse consents on any council land, due to their concerns over health. I would also draw your attention to the case pending before the High Court for leave to apply for judicial review of a base station on the question of the LPA failing to take into account the health aspects of masts *(R v Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council ex parte Smith)*. Should this application be decided in favour of the Claimant then question marks will be put over all masts where the health issues were not taken into account.
However, even if a rejection of the arguments relating to the precautionary approach is taken by the planning committee, we would urge you to consider the effect the size and design of this mast will have on the amenity of the local area, towering as it will some ..... ft into the air, which will contrast with the residential nature/open aspect of the locality. PPG8 makes it clear that a rejection of permitted development permission is acceptable for base stations should the LPA conclude that it would have an adverse effect on the amenity of the area. I also take this opportunity to draw your attention to the factors listed in ***PPG8 Annex 1 para 13*** that may involve siting:

- *the height of the site in relation to surrounding land;*
- *the existence of topographical features and natural vegetation;*
- *the effect on the skyline or horizon;*
- *the site when observed from any side, including from outside the authority's own area;*
- *the site in relation to areas designated locally for their scenic or conservation value;*
- *the site in relation to existing masts, structures or buildings, including buildings of a historical or traditional character;*
- *the site in relation to residential property; and*
- *any other relevant considerations.*

There is as you will be aware an obligation contained within PPG8 for operators to hold talks with local authorities, and recommendations that these discussions should also include other organisations such as local residents groups. Could you therefore supply me with information relating to these meetings, in particular the out come of the obligatory talks that the local authority held with the Operator, along with details of any residents groups who took part, or were invited to take part in these discussions.
Whilst reserving the right to make further representation on this application, I urge you to refuse permission for the above reasons.

We have viewed the Plans at Woodley library and have the following observations:

- A site at Buccaneer Close was rejected due to the proximity of the local school. Surely, the same argument can be used for the proximity of local houses. These are occupied longer than a school day, contain many young children and in our case a baby due on the 23rd of April.
- The application states that this mast is required to facilitate working from home. I work in the computer industry and do indeed work from home. This work is carried out using existing land lines which offer vastly superior speed and cost than mobile phones.
- The site is close to a bus stop. Anybody standing waiting for the bus will be exposed to radiation emitting from the mast.
- A letter was sent to the local councilor, Councilor Drake, who has not responded. Do the local council not represent the constituents in such a important matter.

Yours sincerely

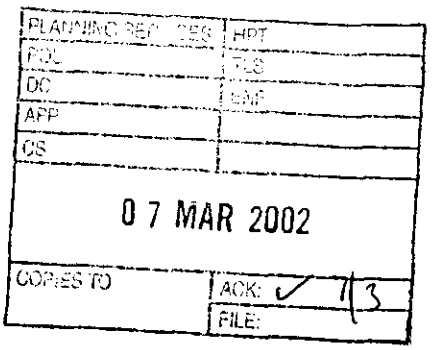
D. Symington

Derek Symington

Local resident

5 March 2002

5 Mohawk Way
Woodley
Reading RG5 4UE



Ms. Heidi Lynch
Development Control Officer
Planning Services
Wokingham Unitary Authority
PO Box 157
Shute End,
Wokingham
Berkshire RG40 1WR

Dear Ms. Lynch

PLANNING APPLICATION TL/2002/5949

We are writing to you to object to the above planning application for the erection of a 8m high microcell column with 2 internal antenna plus 1 equipment cabinet opposite Sandford Park, Mohawk Way.

The reasons for our objection are:

1) Health reasons - It has not been proven yet that these mobile phone telephone transmitters emit a safe level of radiation. We understand that the government are not happy with the studies carried out by the mobile phone operators and have now commissioned their own study. There are many people who believe that living close to one of these masts increases the risk of getting some types of cancers, in particular leukemia.

2) We do not understand with so much open land in this area why this unsightly mast cannot be sited somewhere aware from peoples homes, which would also alleviate the concerns in 1) above. They are not something you would wish to look out onto from your home in a residential area.

We do hope that this application is rejected and a more suitable site found.

Yours sincerely

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for SYLVIA & GEOFF CASTON

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R.T. HANNINGTON
6 BEAVER WAY
WOODLEY, BERKSHIRE
RG5 4UD

APPLICATION NO. TW/2002/5949

3-3-2002

Dear Ms. Lynch,

Regarding the proposal to erect a microcell column in Mohawk Way.

The proposed site in question on the application, that is land opposite Sandford Park, Mohawk Way, fails to mention the proximity of housing and school and gives the impression that the proposed structure is more remote than it really is; yards from a busy road across which lies the park and residential houses and nearby school. Another suspect health hazard to go with the dangerous gases being emitted from the nearby infill site.

With the amount of bad publicity surrounding these masts, it seems very naive and irresponsible of Orange and the owners of this land to even think of erecting this mast in this locality and "Orange intends to carry out this development" seemingly before, or regardless of, permission from the Council and local consultation and objections from people in the area this mast will pollute.

Obviously Orange have paid for the privilege of using this land and the recipient or recipients of this money, whoever it may be, neither care nor have considered the possible damage to the health of local people and users of the park.

Yours Sincerely

R Hannington

18 Mollison Close
Woodley
Reading
RG5 4XG

9th March 2002

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Dear Sirs,

re: Application: TL/2002/5949

We are appalled that once again the residents of Woodley Airfield are having to fight for the health of our children.

We sat for hours through meetings to save ourselves from the effects of Methane Gas, from the Sandford Lane Landfill site and from the effects of dozens of lorries a day coming through our estate (which we are still enduring). Now we are faced with the erection of an 8m high Microcell column being built a stones throw from our houses and more importantly our school. Whilst we're sure the mobile phone companies will assure us that there is no risk to our safety, the jury is still out and we have no proof that this is so.

Whilst you have written to us regarding several small extensions to property in the area, you have failed to inform us of a potentially lethal mobile phone mast, which we find unbelievable. Although your orange sign has been erected for all to see, it is unlikely that more than 5% of those people that will be effected will have seen it. Purely because it is beside a very busy road with no footpath, almost impossible to read without risking life and limb !!

Childhood cancer is a very sensitive issue in our neighbourhood at the moment, as one of our 11 year old residents has just died as a result of it. Surely we should be trying to reduce the risk of this happening to our children, not increasing it.

When is the decision likely to be made on this application, as we intend to inform all local residents ourselves?

Yours sincerely,

Ann SAUNDERSON.

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18, CONSTABLE CLOSE,
WOODLEY,
READING,
RG5 4US

Dear Ms. Lynch,

I am writing in opposition to application number TL/2002/5949 and the positioning of the Orange microcell column. I am concerned about its proximity to the park where children play and more importantly the residential areas that are close by. The plans show a beam of intensity diagram — but no road names etc that fall within the area therefore making it difficult to assess any risks to local residents. There must be more suitable sites away from residental areas ie. the BADER WAY where such an erection would be less of a risk and more in keeping with the surroundings.

I therefore object most strongly to this application.

Yours sincerely

L. Parish.

MRS. L. PARISH.

Received by Wokingham District Council

Application No: TL/2002/5949

Proposal:
Proposed erection of 8m high microcell column with 2 internal antenna plus 1 equipment cabinet.

Location:
Land Opposite Sandford Park, Mohawk Way, Woodley, Reading.

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

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

WOODLEY LIBRARY HEADLEY ROAD WOODLEY 9.30am - 7.00pm Mon, Thurs & Fri. 9.30am - 5.00pm Tues, 9.30am - 1.00pm Saturday and 1.00pm - 4.00pm Sunday. Library closed all day Wednesday. 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 quote application number TL/2002/5949 to enable the library staff to locate the correct information.

Comments should be sent in writing QUOTING THE APPLICATION NUMBER to the Case Officer Heidi Lynch P.O. Box 157 Council Offices, Shute End, Wokingham Berkshire, RG40 1WR to arrive on or before 15/03/2002. 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

20 February 2002

ADDITIONAL NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION SHEET

APPLICATION NUMBER: TL/2002/5949
CASE OFFICER: Heidi Lynch

ADDRESS OF ADDITIONAL NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION	NUMBER OF DAYS FOR RESPONSE	DATE LETTER ISSUED (for Admin use)

56 days

Application Number : TL/2002/5949	Map No : 42
Case Officer : HL	Site Area :
Valid Date : 18/02/02	Received Date: 18/02/2002

Level : Delegated Application

Description : Proposed erection of 8m high microcell column with 2 internal antenna plus 1 equipment cabinet.

Location : Land Opposite Sandford Park, Mohawk Way, Woodley, Reading.

Parish : WY Ward : LOD

Applicant : Orange Pcsl C/O Patrick Farfan.

Fee Required: £190 Fee Received: £190

Additional: ..... or Refund: .....

Enforcement Section to be notified ☐ (tick if required)

Additional information required for validation;

REASON	NOTES	DATE REQ	DATE RECD
LOCATION PLANS			
BLOCK PLANS			
FORMS UNSIGNED			
S.66 MISSING/INCORRECT/ UNSIGNED			
ELEVATION PLANS			
FLOOR PLANS			
NO SCALE OR SCALE IS IMPERIAL			
ENCROACHMENT LETTER REQUIRED			
OTHER			

Is the site in a Conservation Area: ☐ Yes ☐ No I f "Yes" which one _____

Is the site a Listed Building: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Is a Statutory Advertisement required: ☐ Yes ☐ No

INTERNAL CONSULTATIONS

Building Control

Heritage (Harold Sanders)

Landscape

Trees

Environmental Health ✓

Housing

Leisure & Cultural Services

Public Rights of Way Officer

Property ✓

Policy & Plans

Joint Strategic Planning Unit

Archaeological Officer (BABTIE)

Education

Social Services

Highways ✓

EXTERNAL CONSULTATIONS

Adjacent DPA : _____

Adjacent Parish : _____

SEB

British Gas

Oil pipeline

Transco

Environment Agency

Railtrack

Police Arch Officer

HERITAGE BODIES

Victorian Society
The Georgian Group
Ancient Monuments Society
Council for British Arch
RCHME
NRPB (Telecommunications)
Sport England
Society for Proct' of Ancient Bldgs
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NEIGHBOURS

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Director of Planning
Wokingham District Council
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RG40 1WR

15th February 2002

Dear Sir,

Proposed ORANGE PCS Ltd. Installation at:

Grass verge, mid-way between lighting columns No. 15 & 16, Mohawk Way, Woodley, Reading, RG5 4UE.

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.

Orange PCS Ltd is licensed under the Telecommunications Act 1984 to run a mobile radio telecommunications system and to provide mobile radio telecommunication services. Orange is also licensed to provide and maintain a UMTS telecommunications service to an area where at least 80% of the population of the UK live by 31 December 2007. That obligation has coverage quality and capacity implications relating to the network. The Orange Network is in direct commercial competition with other communications systems, both wire free and fixed line/cable, furthermore, OFTEL monitors the performance of operators promoting an appropriate quality of service; more information on this is appended in the technical summary.

In addition to voice transmissions there is also an increasing need for the transmission of data. To this end Orange has purchased a UMTS Licence as auctioned recently by the British Government. A further range of services is to be offered to the public and businesses including direct Internet access and video pictures, wire free, via the mobile phone, giving the consumer a more competitive and wider choice of services to choose from.

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Mobile phone usage has grown exponentially since its introduction and has now developed to a point where the existing infrastructure is struggling to cope with the sheer number of users. As well as upgrading existing sites, new sites are required to facilitate: -

- Growth and the projected growth in the future
- Capacity, (the ability to deliver a service to the customer and uphold licence obligations)
- Third generation technology.

Orange Personal Communications Ltd hereby give notice as required under the terms of their Licence and make application for determination with regard to details of siting and appearance pursuant to Part 24, Class A, Condition A.2 (4A) of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Amendment) (England) Order 2001 in respect of the following development:

Proposal: The installation of an 8m high microcell column, consisting of 2 internal antenna. In addition an equipment cabinet of overall dimension of 1 cubic metre to be installed adjacent to the microcell column.

Location: OS Grid Ref: E 477906 N 173296

Address: Grass verge, mid-way between lighting columns No. 15 & 16, Mohawk Way, Woodley, Reading, RG5 4UE.

Enclosures: Planning Drawing No. 30/BRK7087/01 REV C
Block plan (1:1250)
Site plan (1:500 & 1:200)
Elevations on pole and antennae (1:100 & 1:25)

Copy of Developers notice

OPCS 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 to the residents in the south of Woodley along Mohawk Way, eg Catalina Close and Constable Close. (See enclosed OPCS Coverage Plots.)

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- A preferred location has been identified in the grass verge along Mohawk Way, between lighting columns 15 & 16. This is the preferred site location, as the proposal will not directly impact on the visual amenities of the surrounding residential properties.

- By locating in the grass verge we have avoided encroaching upon pedestrian movement along Mohawk Way.

- The proposal is in keeping with the existing street scene that consists of a number of 8m high lighting columns and BT telegraph poles as well as other assorted street signage.

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 an 8m-slimline mast, with an antennae array located within a shroud at the top of the mast. This installation 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. If the Authority feels that other BS colour's would be more appropriate than those suggested, then these can be used.

- We have chosen a design that is similar to existing street furniture in the area.

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.

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- 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.

Alternative location's were identified at; Woodley Airfield Centre, this option had to be discounted though due to a lack of site provider interest. Another location was considered at Buccaneer Close, this option, which would have been similar in design to the application proposal, was rejected however by Orange PCS due to its close proximity to a school. A third option was considered along Mohawk Way in the grass verge on the corner of the access road to the landfill site. This option though due to its location in relation to residential properties was favoured less than the current location.

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

Technical Justification,

The area is defined primarily as suburban, meaning that Orange requires coverage levels of –75dBm or better. This is defined on the coverage drive by areas coloured red or pink. Those areas coloured orange, green, blue or black show insufficient coverage for our requirements. The figure of -75dBm was evaluated to ensure that an Orange customer will be able to make a mobile phone call inside a building, without the call cutting out due to poor coverage levels. The calculation is based on the OFTEL confidence level of a two-minute call having a 95% success rate of completion. As shown by the coverage drive, the required coverage level is not achieved in much of the target coverage area. For clarity, a second coverage drive has been included showing the same drive in two colours. Orange shows sufficient level of coverage for Orange's requirements, and blue shows insufficient levels of coverage. Clearly, there is a substantial amount of blue signal level in the area surrounding the site.

Orange PCS intends to serve the South Woodley area by utilising microcells. These microcells are designed to provide very localised coverage. A microcell of this type will give a good level of coverage between 150 to 400 meters of the site. This figure of course is dependent on the topography of the land and the amount of clutter - buildings, trees etc.- surrounding the proposed location.

Pre application Consultation,

Pre application letters was sent to the LPA on 17th October 2001, Patrick Farfan Associates Ltd received comments back from Mr. M L Thorpe and have taken these on board in the preparation of this application.

A pre application letter was sent to Councillor Drake on 17th October 2001 seeking her views; comments were requested within 14 days. To date we have received no response.

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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 Countryside.

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, 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 WCC1, Countryside – The Local Plan identifies development that is appropriate to the countryside but which cannot be accommodated within a settlement as being acceptable. Whilst the proposal is designed to serve existing and future Orange PCS customers residing in the settlement area of Woodley, Orange PCS recognises the sensitive nature of these installations and as such has chosen not to locate the installation within the residential area of Woodley whilst there exist options outside of this settlement area that would serve Orange PCS's technical requirements.

Post construction 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 Countryside.

PPG8,

Supporting Guidance - "Modern telecommunications are an essential and beneficial element in the life of the local community and in the national economy.

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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 2001. This application has been compiled after consideration of the comments made by the local authority.

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.

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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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

Encl.

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

Developer's Notice

Proposed Development at ***grass verge, mid-way between lighting columns No. 15 & 16, Mohawk Way, Woodley, Reading, RG5 4UE.***

Grid Ref: ***E 477906 N 173296***

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 an 8m high microcell column, consisting of 2 internal antenna. In addition an equipment cabinet of overall dimension of 1 cubic metre to 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 ***5th March 2002***

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

Company ***Patrick Farfan Associates Ltd***

Dated ***15th February 2002***

*'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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Note

The attached analysis is a theoretical calculation based on the proposed configuration of the named site. Orange reserve the right to change this configuration for operational reasons.

For the proposed site configuration these figure represent worst case levels.

The theoretical model is based on optimum propagation and therefore can not take account of trees, building and complex terrain that can effect radio signals. However these factors will reduce the received level.

In the attached figures the standards used are the NRBP Investigation Level for 1.8GHz (i.e. our Operating Frequency) and ICNIRP Reference Levels for Occupational exposure (i.e. Orange employees) and the Public Reference Level (both at 1.8GHz). More specifically these are:

NRBP Investigation Level	**= 100W/m2**
ICNIRP Reference Level Occupational	**= 45W/m2**
ICNIRP Reference Level Public	**= 9W/m2**

All figures quoted refer to power density within the main beam emitted from antenna, therefore levels at ground level near the installation will be many order of magnitude lower than those quoted.

'It was found that the calculations overestimated the measured power density by up four orders of magnitude at locations that were either not exposed to the main beam from antennas, or shielded by building fabric.' - (Recent NRPB Report)

Note The Beam of Main Intensity shown in this information is as defined by the Steward Report.

ICNIPR - International Commission for Non-Ionising Radiation Protection
NRPB - National Radiological Protection Board

IN COMMERCIAL CONFIDENCE

Site Id	BRK7087	Site Name	Mohawk Way		
Height	7.145 m ←	(To Midpoint of Antenna)			
BTS Class	Metro 20	No of TRx Per Sector	4		
Combiner	None	Antenna Config	Omni	e.g. Omni, Sect, BSect, SST	
Antenna Type	DP Omni	Electrical Downtilt Mechanical Downtilt	3 0	Bearing Of Antenna	0 Deg
Feeder	LDF450	Length	10 m		

Specified Distance	**67 m**	Power Density at Specified Distance	**0.012437 W/m^2**
		Percentage of ICNIRP PUBLIC	**0.1382%**
		Factor Less than ICNIRP PUBLIC	**724**
Lower Beam Edge	**42.70 m**	Power Density at Lower Beam Edge	**0.030626 W/m^2**
		Percentage of ICNIRP PUBLIC	**0.3403%**
		Factor Less than ICNIRP PUBLIC	**294**
Centre Of Beam	**136.33 m**	Power Density at Centre Of Beam	**0.003004 W/m^2**
		Percentage of ICNIRP PUBLIC	**0.0334%**
		Factor Less than ICNIRP PUBLIC	**2996**

Distance m	*Power Flux Density W/m^2*	*Electric Field Strength V/m*	*Percentage of ICNIRP Public %*	*Factor Less than ICNIRP Public*
50	*0.022333*	*2.901621*	*0.248140%*	*403*
100	*0.005583*	*1.450811*	*0.062035%*	*1612*
200	*0.001396*	*0.725405*	*0.015509%*	*6448*
300	*0.000620*	*0.483604*	*0.006893%*	*14508*
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Declaration of Conformity with ICNIRP Public Exposure Guidelines ("ICNIRP Declaration")

Orange PCS Ltd
St James Court
Great Park Road
Almondsbury Park
Bradley Stoke
Bristol
BS32 4QL

Certifies that the proposed equipment and installation as detailed in drawing numbers 30/BRK7087/01 within the attached planning/GPDO application at:

(Address): Midway between lamppost no. 15 and 16
Mohawk Way
Woodley
Reading, RG5 4UE

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: 7/2/02

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

Name: PAUL FITZGERALD

Position: DESIGN ENGINEER

Company: PATRICK FARFAN ASSOCIATES

Registered Office: St James Court, Great Park Road, Almondsbury Park, Bradley Stoke, Bristol BS32 4QJ
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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	BRK7087	**Site Name**	MOHAWK WAY
Designed on (insert date design started)	7/2/02	**By**	PF
Detailed on the following drawings (include all revision numbers)		PF	30/BRK7087/01 REV C

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.

Signed 	Print Name PAUL FITZGERALD	Company Address Patrick Farfan Associates Limited, Salamander Quay West, Park Lane, Harefield, Middx, UB8 6NZ
Position DESIGN ENGINEER	Date 7th February 2002	

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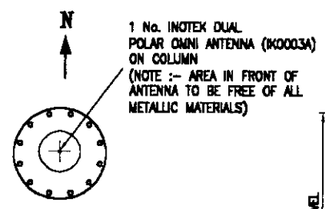
THIS DRAWING TO BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE FOLLOWING DRAWING Nos.

1. 30/BRK7087/02
2.
3.

EQUIPMENT COLOURS
(SPECIFIED BY BS No.)

1. LAMPPOST: LIGHT AIRCRAFT GREY (BS 381 C 627)
2. CABINET: MIDNIGHT GREEN (BS 4800 12 B 29)
3. ANTENNA: N/A



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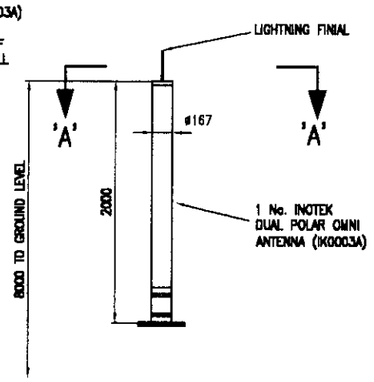

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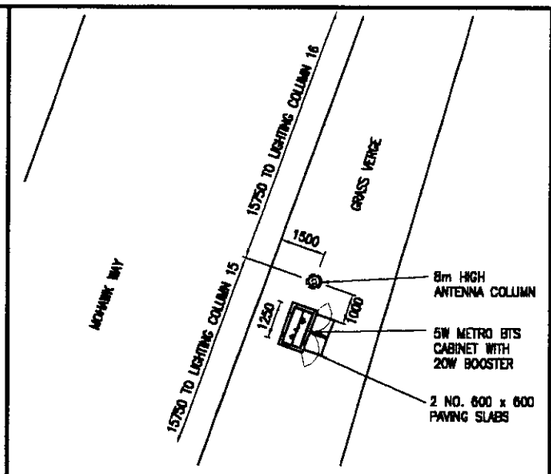

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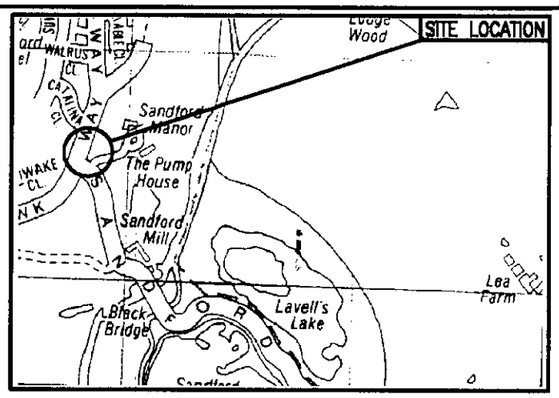

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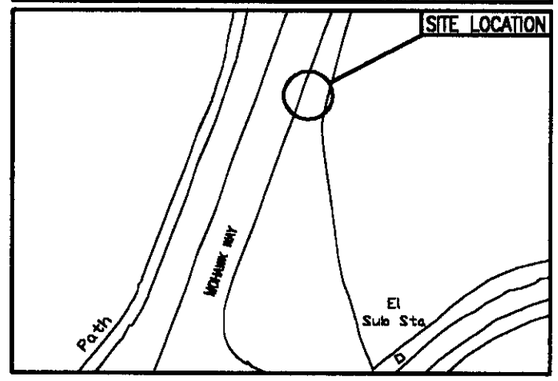

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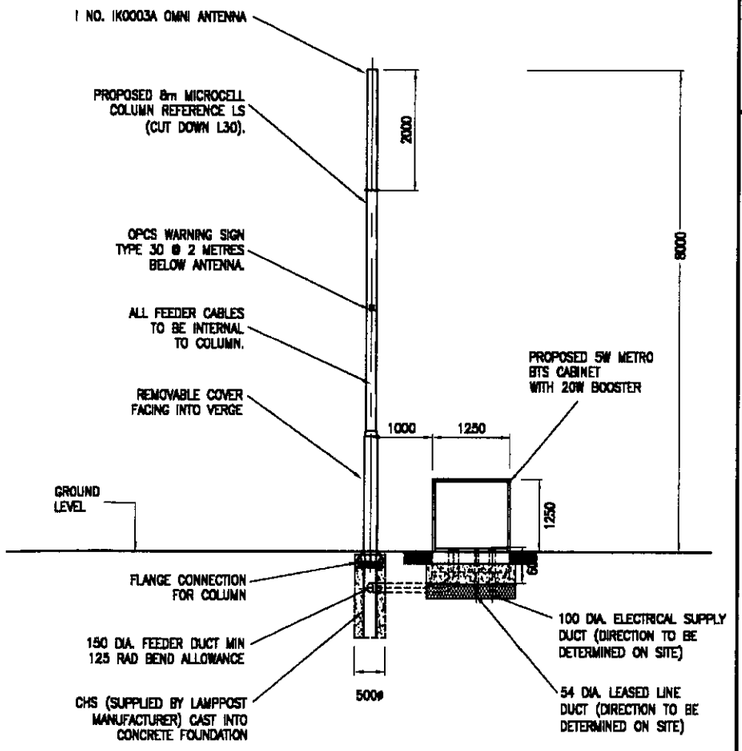

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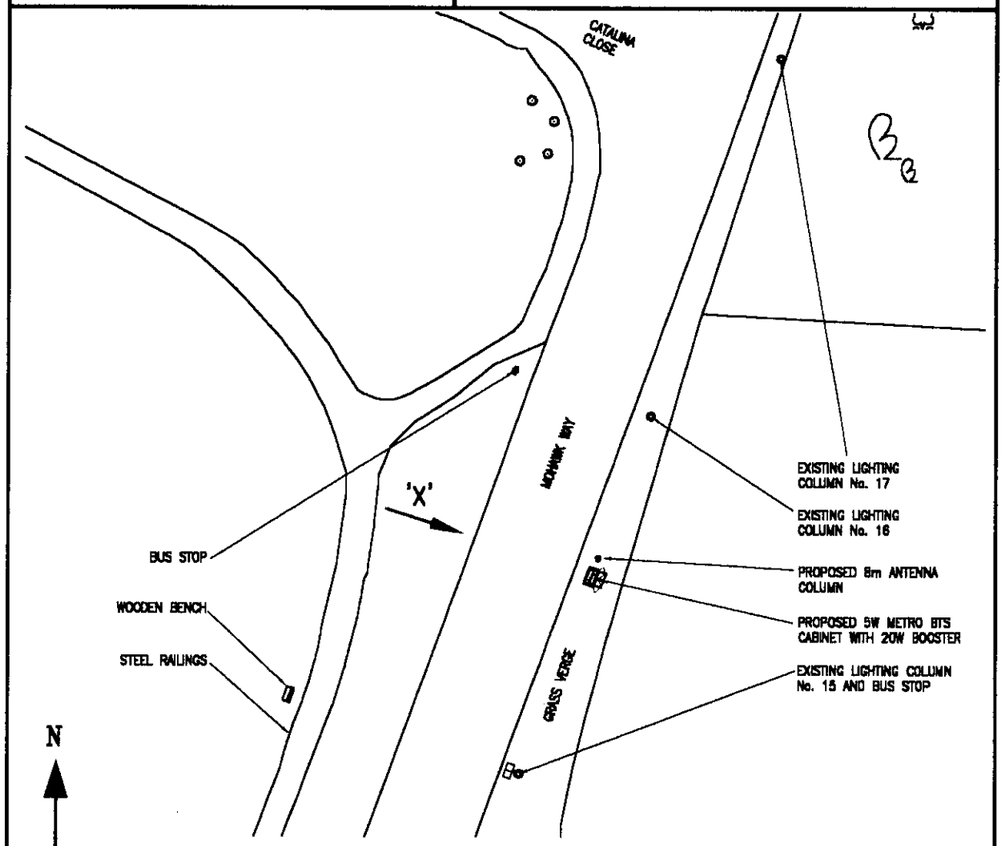

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UTILITIES KEY

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ELECTRICITY	SCOTTISH AND SOUTHERN ENERGY	01189 465500	05.11.01
GAS	TRANSCO	02380 258258	05.11.01
WATER	THAMES WATER	0845 200800	25.10.01
SEWER	THAMES WATER	0845 200800	25.10.01
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ANTENNA KEY

ITEM	FUNCTION / LINK No.	SECTOR	TYPE / SIZE	BEARING	HEIGHT TO C/L OF ANTENNA FROM GL (mm)	HEIGHT TO CENTRE OF DISH FROM GL (mm)	REMOTE LNA / RFU (Y/N)
A1	TXRX	–	IK0003A	–	7000	N/A	N
–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

FEEDER KEY

TO	QTY:	TYPE:	OUTER DIA.(mm)	MIN BEND RAD.(mm)	LENGTH (m)	COLOUR	NAME
A1	2	LDF 450	16	125	10	BLACK	–
–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

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THIS SITE CONFORMS TO OPCS RADIO SITE DESIGN DOC: SPEC253 WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS:

1.
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REV	DESCRIPTION	BY (CONTRACTOR)	DATE	DESIGN	DATE
C	COLUMN TYPE AMENDED	JP	07.02.02	PF	07.02.02
B	CABINET ROTATED AWAY FROM ROAD	JP	07.11.01	PF	07.11.01
A	REVISED OPTION	JP	05.10.01	PF	05.10.01
0	INITIAL ISSUE	PF	30.01.01	SOC	30.01.01

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OPTION NAME
MOHAWK WAY

SITE ADDRESS
GRASS VERGE
MIDWAY BETWEEN LAMP POST No. 15 AND 16
MOHAWK WAY
WOODLEY
READING
RG5 4UE

Site Controller – Jamie Phillips 07974 836843

Network Engineer – Bob Francis 07973 994724

TITLE
MICROCELL – WOKINGHAM
LAMPPOST MOUNTED ANTENNA
GENERAL ARRANGEMENT

DRAWING NUMBER
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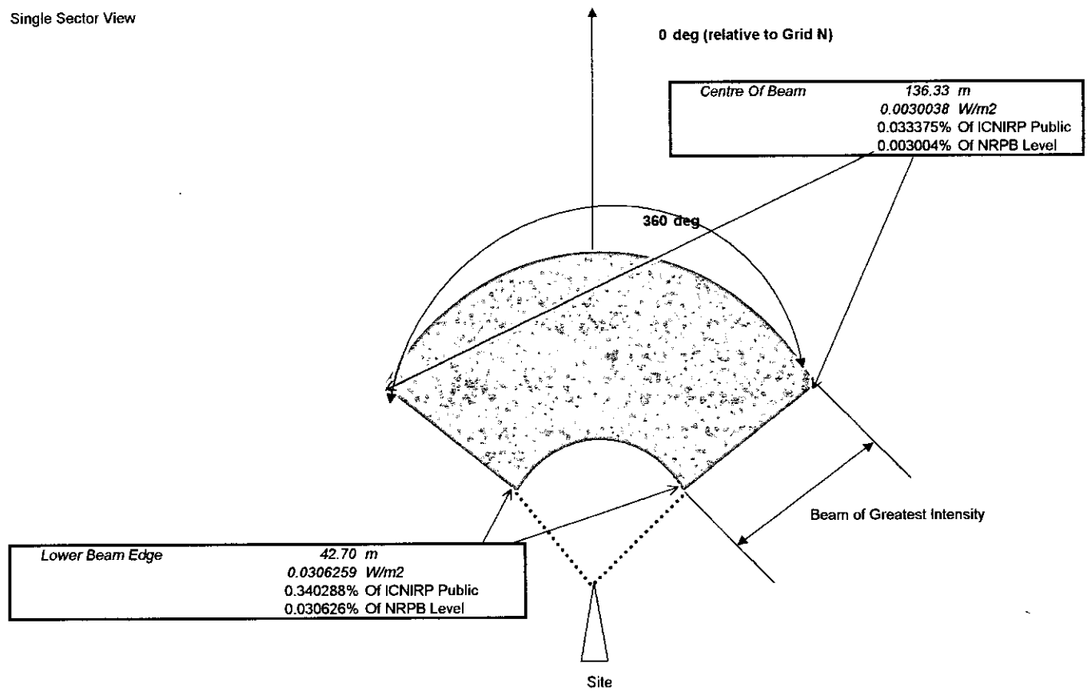
Single Sector View



Plan View
Of Beam Of Greatest Intensity

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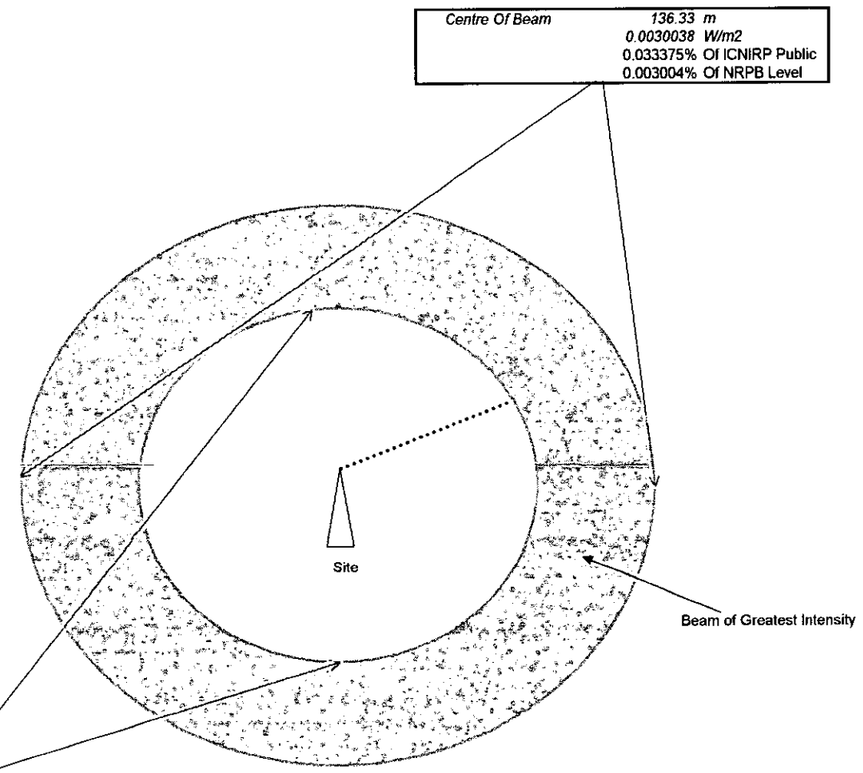
	Antenna Type	*DP Omni*	*Horizontal Beamwidth*	*360 deg*

Omni Antenna View



Plan View
Of Beam Of Greatest Intensity

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ADDENDUM

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Site Id	**BRK7087**	**Site Name**	**Mohawk Way**				
Pre-Antenna	**41.94**	dBm	**No Of TRx's**	**4**	**NRPB**	**100**	W/m²
Power for a	11.94	dBW					
Single TRx	15.63	Watts	**Frequency in MHz**	**1800**	**ICNIRP Occupational**	**45**	W/m²
Antenna	*DP Omni*	*Antenna Gain*	*10.50*	*dBi*	**ICNIRP Public**	**9**	W/m²
			11.22	*Ratio*			

	Distance m	Power Flux Density in W/m²	Electric Field Strength in V/m	Magnetic Field Strength in (A/m)	Magnetic Flux Density in (Tesla)	Field Strength In dBuV/m	Signal Strength in dBW	Signal Strength In dBm
Lower Beam Edge	**42.70**	**0.030625890719**	3.397934784695	0.094937293065	0.000000119302	130.62	-41.68	-11.68
Centre of Beam	**136.33**	**0.003003773431**	1.064153458536	0.053128977206	0.000000066764	120.54	-51.77	-21.77
	10	0.558316063123	14.508106554518	0.196170949069	0.000000246516	143.23	-29.07	0.93
	20	0.139579015781	7.254053277259	0.138713808359	0.000000174313	137.21	-35.09	-5.09
	30	0.062035118125	4.836035518173	0.113259350252	0.000000142326	133.69	-38.62	-8.62
	40	0.034894753945	3.627026638629	0.098085474535	0.000000123258	131.19	-41.11	-11.11
	50	0.022332642525	2.901621310904	0.087730315466	0.000000110245	129.25	-43.05	-13.05
	60	0.015508779531	2.418017759086	0.080086454596	0.000000100640	127.67	-44.64	-14.64
	70	0.011394205370	2.072586650645	0.074145649385	0.000000093174	126.33	-45.98	-15.98
	80	0.008723688486	1.813513319315	0.069356904179	0.000000087156	125.17	-47.14	-17.14
	90	0.006892790903	1.612011839391	0.065390316356	0.000000082172	124.15	-48.16	-18.16
	100	0.005583160631	1.450810655452	0.062034700982	0.000000077955	123.23	-49.07	-19.07
	200	0.001395790158	0.725405327726	0.043865157733	0.000000055123	117.21	-55.09	-25.09
	300	0.000620351181	0.483603551817	0.035815751311	0.000000045007	113.69	-58.62	-28.62
	400	0.000348947539	0.362702663863	0.031017350491	0.000000038978	111.19	-61.11	-31.11
	500	0.000223326425	0.290162131090	0.027742761672	0.000000034863	109.25	-63.05	-33.05
	1000	0.000055831606	0.145081065545	0.019617094907	0.000000024652	103.23	-69.07	-39.07
Specified Distance	**67**	**0.012437426222**	2.165389037988	0.075787449497	0.000000095237	126.71	-45.59	-15.59

	Distance m	Percentage of NRBP	Factor Less of NRPB	Percentage of ICNIRP Public	Factor Less of ICNIRP Public	Percentage Of ICNIRP Occupational
Lower Beam Edge	**42.70**	0.0306259%	3265.21	0.3402877%	293.87	0.068058%
Centre of Beam	**136.33**	0.0030038%	33291.46	0.0333753%	2996.23	0.006675%
	10	0.5583161%	179.11	6.2035118%	16.12	1.240702%
	20	0.1395790%	716.44	1.5508780%	64.48	0.310176%
	30	0.0620351%	1611.99	0.6892791%	145.08	0.137856%
	40	0.0348948%	2865.76	0.3877195%	257.92	0.077544%
	50	0.0223326%	4477.75	0.2481405%	403.00	0.049628%
	60	0.0155088%	6447.96	0.1723198%	580.32	0.034464%
	70	0.0113942%	8776.39	0.1266023%	789.88	0.025320%
	80	0.0087237%	11463.04	0.0969299%	1031.67	0.019386%
	90	0.0068928%	14507.91	0.0765866%	1305.71	0.015317%
	100	0.0055832%	17911.00	0.0620351%	1611.99	0.012407%
	200	0.0013958%	71644.01	0.0155088%	6447.96	0.003102%
	300	0.0006204%	161199.02	0.0068928%	14507.91	0.001379%
	400	0.0003489%	286576.03	0.0038772%	25791.84	0.000775%
	500	0.0002233%	447775.04	0.0024814%	40299.75	0.000496%
	1000	0.0000558%	1791100.18	0.0006204%	161199.02	0.000124%
Specified Distance	**67**	**0.0124374%**	**8040.25**	**0.1381936%**	**723.62**	**0.027639%**

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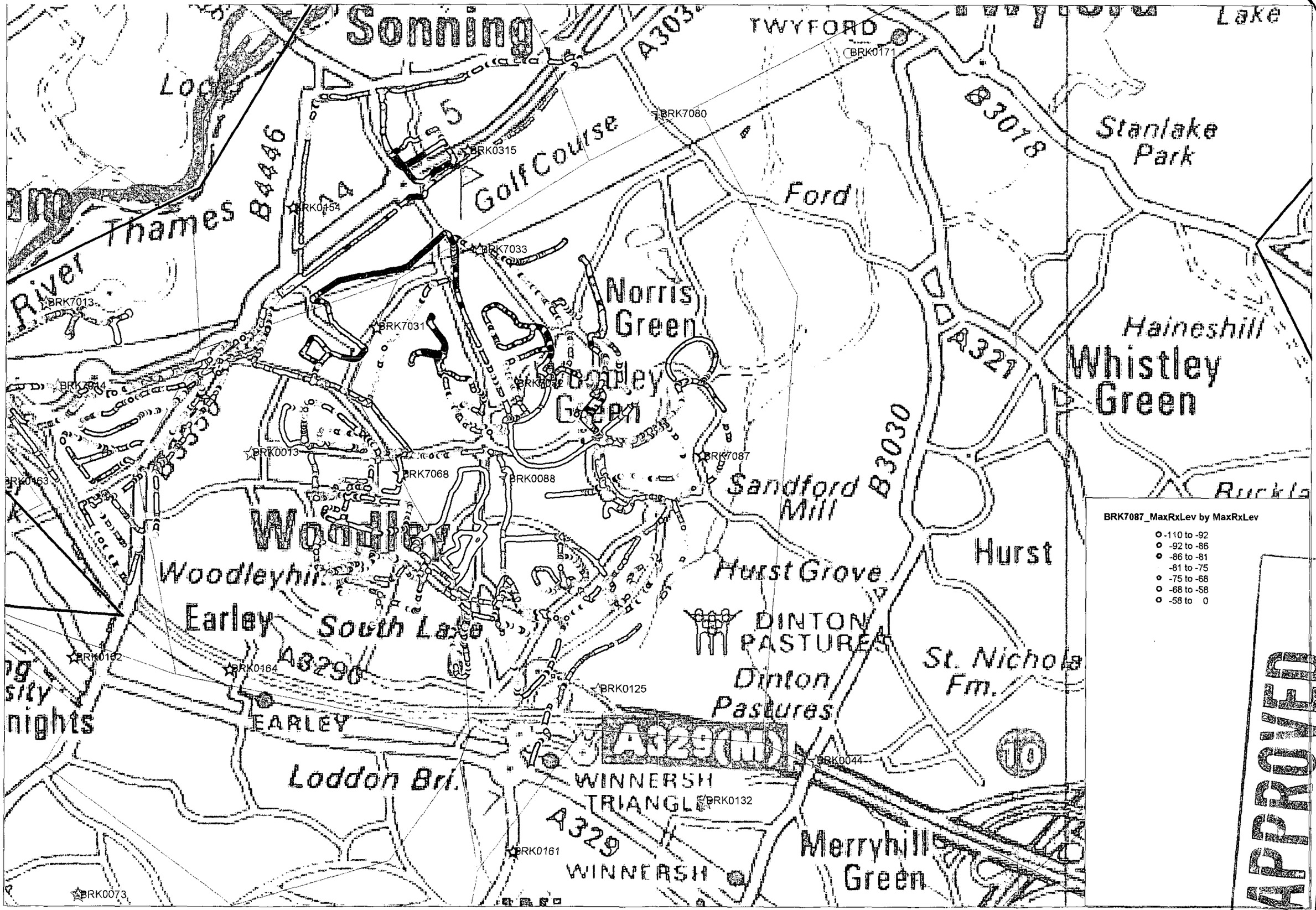

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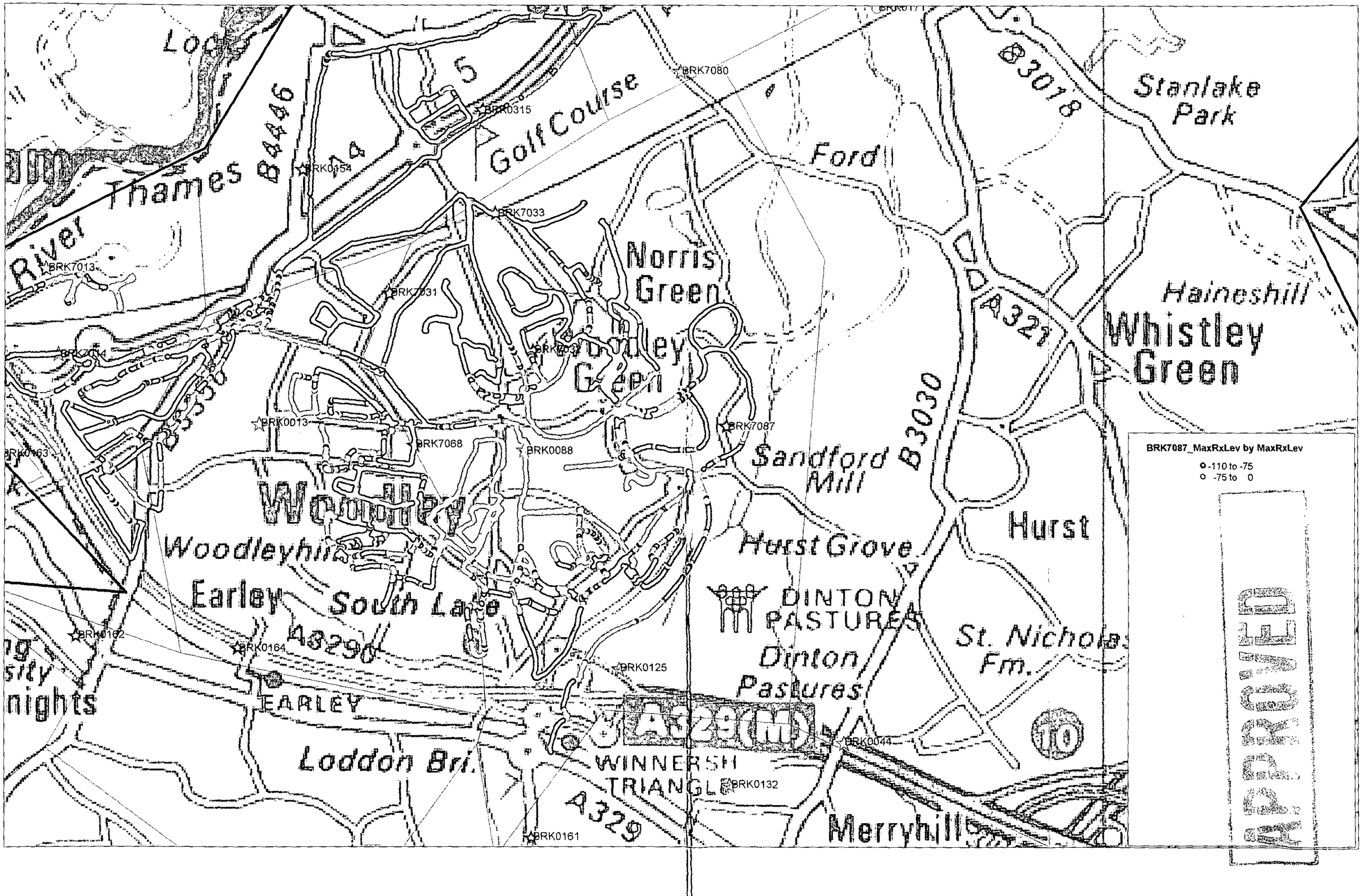
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OUR FAX NUMBER: (0118) 974 6484

SUBJECT: TELECOM MAST, MOHAWK WAY, WOODLEY - TL/2002/5949

NOTES: YOUR REF: OPCS/GPDO/7087.1

WOKINGHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACTS

Notification of Approval of Permission

Orange PCS Ltd
C/O Patrick Farfan
Salamander Quay West
Park Lane
Harefield
Middx
UB9 6NZ

Application Number: TL/2002/5949

Parish: **WOODLEY**

Location: **Land Opposite Sandford Park, Mohawk Way, Woodley, Reading.**

Proposal: **Proposed erection of 8m high microcell column with 2 internal antenna plus 1 equipment cabinet.**

The Wokingham District Council in pursuance of their powers under the above Acts and Regulations hereby **Approve Permission** for carrying out the above development in accordance with the application and the accompanying plans submitted to the Council subject to compliance with the following conditions, the reasons for which are specified hereunder.

Condition
1. The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of five years from the date of this permission.

Condition
2. The proposed cabinet hereby approved is to be coloured midnight green and the proposed mast and antenna are to be coloured light aircraft grey.

Reason
1. In pursuance of Section 91(1) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

Reason
2. To ensure that the external appearance of the building is satisfactory.

Informative
1. You are advised, in compliance with The Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) (England) (Amendment) Order 2000, that the following policies and/or proposals in the development plan are relevant to this decision:

Berkshire Structure Plan Policy TC1.
Deposit Draft Wokingham District Local Plan Policy WIC14.

Anna Cronin
Head of Planning & Transportation
Date: 10/04/2002

Notice checked by: _____

If this notice grants permission to proceed with the proposal the applicant is reminded that it relates to planning permission only and does not constitute approval under any other legislation including Building Regulations.

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Site Plan, Scale: 1 to 2500

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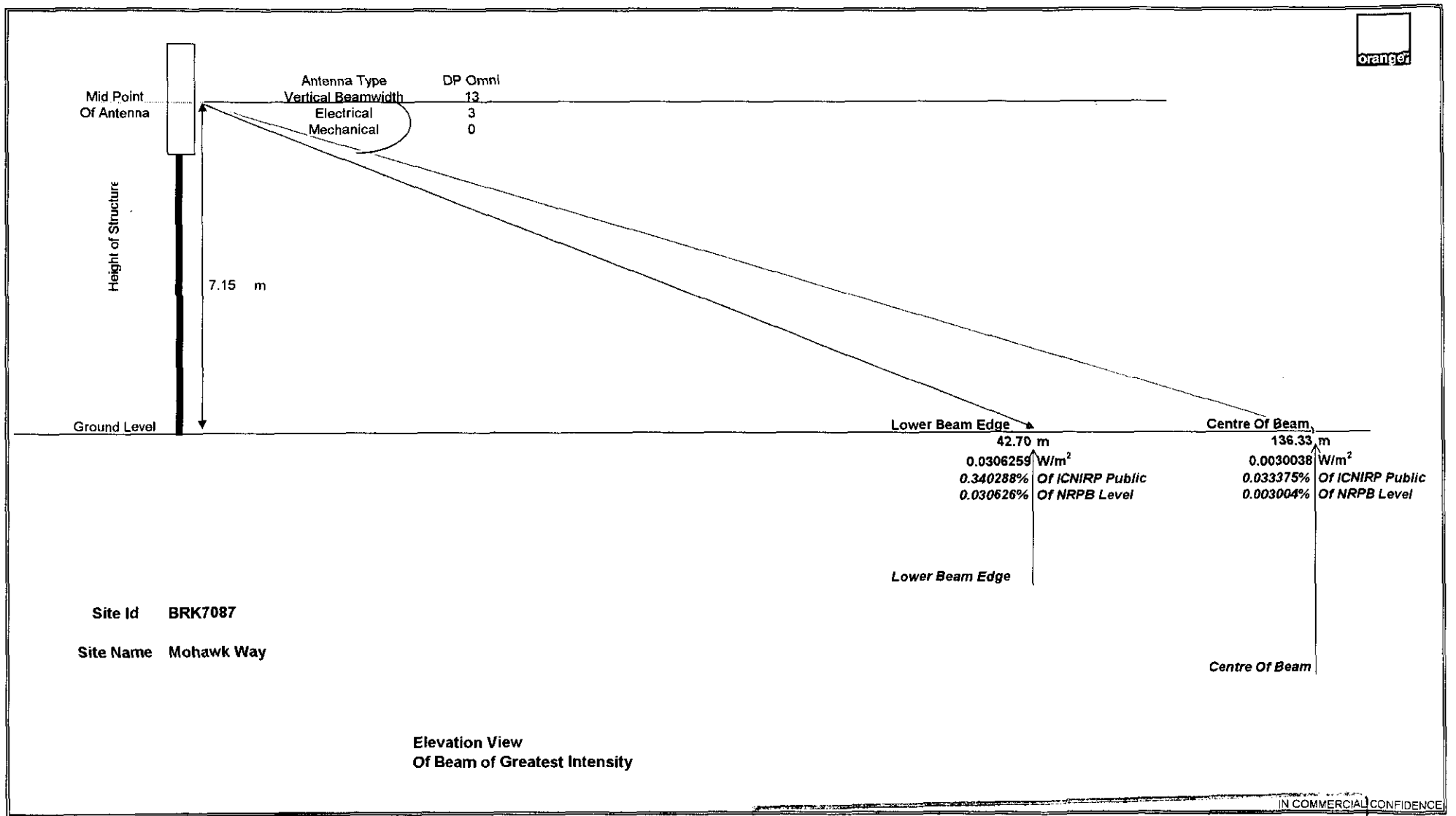

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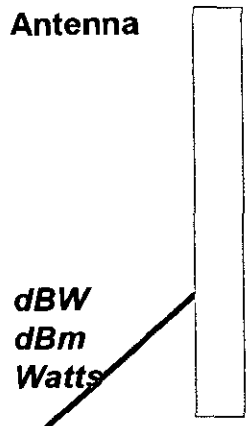
Antenna **DP Omni**
10.5 dBi

Post Antenna
EiRP 22.44 dBW
for Single 52.44 dBm
TRx 175.4 Watts

Pre Antenna
Power 11.94 dBW
for Single 41.94 dBm
TRx 15.63 Watts



Loss *1.07 dB*

Feeder Type ***LDF450*** *Length* ***10*** m

Splitter Loss 0 dB

BTS *Single TRX* *13.01 dBW*
Rack Top

Combiner	***None***
Combiner Loss	***0 dB***
BTS Type/Class	***Metro 20***

This BTS Budget is for a Single TRx ONLY

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