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Your contact is: **Tom Hughes, Planning**

Dear MBNL (EE (UK) Ltd & H3G (UK) Ltd)

Application Reference: 211623

Application type: Telecommunications Notification - Prior Approval

Address: 80 George Street Caversham Reading RG4 8DH

Proposal: Installation of 20m lattice tower supporting 6no. antenna apertures and 4no. 600mm dishes, and associated ancillary equipment within fenced compound

I refer to your letter received on **29 September 2021** concerning a prior approval determination for the above telecommunications development, and the following accompanying drawings and documents:

Covering Letter

Site Specific Supplementary Information

Developer Notice

Declaration of Conformity with International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation

Site Location

Existing Site Plan

Existing Elevation

Proposed Site Plan

Proposed Elevation

Ofcom Guidance

Building Mobile Britain information

5G Masts & Health information

5G Explanatory Note

3G/4G Coverage maps

2G/3G/4G Coverage maps

I am writing to advise that Reading Borough Council as Local Planning Authority **HEREBY REFUSES** prior approval for the siting and appearance of the development for the following reasons:

1. The proposed 20m high lattice tower and associated equipment would, by reason of its height, overall bulk and prominent siting, detract from the visual amenity and appearance of the surrounding area, including the Thames Valley Major Landscape Feature and Christchurch Meadows Local Green Space, contrary to Policies CC7, EN7, EN13 and OU3 of the Reading Borough Local Plan (2019).
2. The proposed development has failed to demonstrate it would be acceptable in terms of siting in relation to adjacent Lombardy Poplars, a prominent landscape feature, including future pressures to prune, contrary to Policy EN14 of the Reading Borough Local Plan (2019).

Should you identify an alternative site or wish to discuss the possibilities of sharing facilities or any other related matter, please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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Tom Hughes