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Your contact is: James Schofield, Planning

Dear Mr. Wismayer,

DEVELOPMENT BY TELECOMMUNICATIONS CODE SYSTEM OPERATORS - CK HUTCHISON NETWORKS (UK) LTD BY READING LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY THAT THE PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE AUTHORITY IS REFUSED FOR THE SITING AND APPEARANCE OF DEVELOPMENT PERMITTED BY PART 16 OF SCHEDULE 2 OF THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (GENERAL PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2015 (AS AMENDED).

Application Reference: 211429
Application Type: Telecommunications Notification - Prior Approval
Address: Site Adjacent Prince of Wales PH, St Michaels Road, Tilehurst, Reading, RG30 4RP
Proposal: Application for prior notification of proposed development by telecommunications code systems operators.

I refer to your letter received on **21st of August 2021** concerning a prior approval determination for the above telecommunications development as shown on submitted drawings and documents:

Application Form
RDG16689_M004 Issue B - 002 SITE LOCATION PLAN
RDG16689_M004 Issue B - 305 EQUIPMENT SCHEDULE & SUPPORT STRUCTURE DETAILS
RDG16689_M004 Issue B - 100 EXISTING SITE PLAN
RDG16689_M004 Issue B - 150 EXISTING ELEVATION A
RDG16689_M004 Issue B - 210 PROPOSED SITE PLAN
RDG16689_M004 Issue B - 211 VIS SPLAY PLAN
RDG16689_M004 Issue B - 260 PROPOSED ELEVATION
RDG16689_M004 Issue B - 303 PROPOSED ANTENNA SCHEDULE & LINE CONFIGURATION
RDG16689_M004 Issue B - 305 EQUIPMENT SCHEDULE & SUPPORT STRUCTURE DETAILS

Developers Notice dated 7th August 2021
Supporting Letter ref. RDG16689 dated 20th August 2021
Supporting Letter ref. RDG16689 dated 21st August 2021
Site Specific Supplementary Information
ICNIRP Certificate dated 16th August 2021
Received 16th August 2021

RDG16689_M004 Issue D - 002 SITE LOCATION PLAN
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RDG16689_M004 Issue D - 305 EQUIPMENT SCHEDULE & SUPPORT STRUCTURE
DETAILS
Received 8th of October 2021

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 15m high monopole and associated equipment would, by reason of its excessive height and overall bulk, detract from the visual amenity and appearance of the surrounding area and have a resultant detrimental impact on the environment of a district centre, contrary to Policies CC7, OU3, and RL1 of the Reading Borough Local Plan (2019).
2. In the absence of sufficient detail on potential alternative sites for the development, it could not be assessed as to whether this proposed location would be the most suitable in terms of siting, contrary to Policy OU3 of the Reading Borough Local Plan (2019) and the NPPF (2019).

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1. The Local Planning Authority has worked positively and proactively with the applicant to see if relevant concerns could be resolved to allow prior approval to be granted. However, that has not been possible within agreed timescale and therefore the decision to refuse the application has been taken.

Should you have questions about this application, please feel free to contact me.

Yours sincerely

James P. Schofield
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Mr James P. Schofield
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