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**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
PLANNING AND COMPENSATION ACT 1991
THE TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING
(DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2015**

APPLICATION FOR FULL PLANNING PERMISSION

To: Maxema Ltd
Unit 2 - Charnwood House
Marsh Road
Ashton
Bristol
BS3 2NA

Application No: 191499
Application type: Full Planning Approval

Applicant: MBNL (EE (UK) Ltd and H3G (UK) Ltd)

READING BOROUGH COUNCIL as Local Planning Authority **REFUSE** planning permission for the following development.

Proposal: Installation of a new 20m high Street Works Pole along with additional equipment cabinets and ancillary development.

At: Bath Road Reading

For the attached reasons

PLEASE READ THE NOTES ISSUED WITH THIS DECISION NOTICE

Date: 23 March 2021

Head of Planning, Development
& Regulatory Services *J.P.M.*

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REASONS FOR REFUSAL

1. The proposed development, by reason of its siting, has failed to demonstrate that it would not detrimentally impact on nearby highway trees through direct harm to the root systems or by future pruning requirements to maintain network coverage, contrary to Policies CC7 and EN14 of the Reading Borough Local Plan (Adopted November 2019).
2. The proposed 20m high monopole, by reason of its height, would detract from the appearance of the designated historic Prospect Park, contrary to Policy EN1 and OU3 of the Reading Borough Local Plan (Adopted November 2019).
3. The proposed development has failed to demonstrate that it would be in full compliance with the requirements of the radio frequency (RF) public exposure guidelines of ICNIRP (International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection) and as such the health implications of the development, with respect to its specific siting, have not been demonstrated, contrary to Policies OU3 and EN16 of the Reading Borough Local Plan (Adopted November 2019).
4. The proposed development, in the absence of sufficient detail on potential alternative sites for the development, has failed to demonstrate that no preferable alternative sites are potentially available which would result in a development that would be less visually intrusive, contrary to Policy OU3 of the Reading Borough Local Plan (2019) and the NPPF (2019).

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INFORMATIVES

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

2. This planning application was submitted without the benefit of first seeking pre-application advice from the Local Planning Authority, which can often result in the avoidance of refusal of planning permission. Please see the following link to the Council's pre-application service here:

https://www.reading.gov.uk/media/1190/Pre-Application-Enquiry-Form/pdf/Pre-app_October_2018.pdf

3. The refusal relates only to the following plans and information as received by the local planning authority:

Plans Considered:

- 002 Site Location Plan - 987048_RDG020_51640_RG4283_M001 Issue: A
- 100 Existing Site Plan - 987048_RDG020_51640_RG4283_M001 Issue: A
- 150 Existing Elevations A - 987048_RDG020_51640_RG4283_M001 Issue: A
- 215 Max Configuration Site Plan - 987048_RDG020_51640_RG4283_M001 Issue: A
- 265 Max Configuration Elevation - 987048_RDG020_51640_RG4283_M001 Issue: A
- Site Specific Supplementary Information

These plans were received on 17th September 2019

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NOTES

APPEALS TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE

If you are aggrieved by the decision of the Council to refuse permission for the proposed development or to grant it subject to conditions, then you can appeal to the Secretary of State under section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

If this is a decision on a planning application relating to the same or substantially the same land and development as is already the subject of an enforcement notice, if you want to appeal against the Council's decision on the application you must do so within 28 days of the date of this notice.

If an enforcement notice is served relating to the same or substantially the same land and development as in your application and you want to appeal against the Council's decision on your application, you must do so within 28 days of the date of service of the enforcement notice, or within 6 months (or 12 weeks in the case of a householder appeal) of the date of this notice, whichever period expires earlier.

If the above circumstances do not apply, any appeal must be made within the following time limits:

If this is a householder application and you want to appeal against the Council's decision then you must do so within 12 weeks of the date of this notice. If this is an advertisement application and you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within 8 weeks of the date of this notice. If you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision for any other type of application (which is not a householder or advertisement application, or an application for a Certificate of Lawfulness) then you must do so within 6 months of the date of this notice.

Appeals can be made online at: <https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate>.

If you are unable to access the online appeal form, please contact the Planning Inspectorate to obtain a paper copy of the appeal form on tel: 0303 444 5000.

The Secretary of State can allow a longer period for giving notice of an appeal but will not normally be prepared to use this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal.

The Secretary of State need not consider an appeal if it seems to the Secretary of State that the local planning authority could not have granted planning permission for the proposed development or could not have granted it without the conditions they imposed, having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provisions of any development order and to any directions given under a development order.

If you intend to submit an appeal that you would like examined by inquiry then you must notify the Local Planning Authority and Planning Inspectorate

(inquiryappeals@planninginspectorate.gov.uk) at least 10 days before submitting the appeal.

Further details are on GOV.UK.

Purchase Notices

If either the Local Planning Authority or the Secretary of State refuses permission to develop land or grants it subject to conditions, the owner may claim that he can neither put the land to a reasonably beneficial use in its existing state nor render the land capable of a reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of any development which has been or would be permitted. In these circumstances, the owner may serve a purchase notice on the Council in whose area the land is situated. This notice will require the Council to purchase his interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Part VI of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.