

DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT

This Design and Access Statement is provided in conjunction with the Supplementary Information Template, drawings and supporting material that was submitted with this planning application [and application for listed building consent]

In accordance with the Code of Best Practice on Mobile Network Development and published Government guidance, this proposal was drawn up having regard to the need for good design.

In particular:

- Considerations of design and layout are informed by the context, having regard not just to any immediate neighbouring buildings but the townscape and landscape of the wider locality. The local pattern of streets and spaces, building traditions, materials and ecology all help to determine the character and identity of the development.
- The scale, massing and height of proposed development have been considered in relation to that of adjoining buildings; the topography, the general pattern of heights in the area; and views, vistas and landmarks.

The following general design principles have been taken into account in respect of this proposed telecommunications development:

- A proper assessment of the character of the area concerned.
- That the design shows an appreciation of context;

SITE CONDITIONS, TECHNICAL CONSTRAINTS, LANDSCAPE FEATURES AND CAPACITY REQUIREMENTS

Introduction

It needs to be borne in mind that the proposed development is for a mobile telecommunications installation. Hence, access is deliberately restricted, where appropriate, for the security of the installation.

Pre Application Discussions and Negotiations

A pre-application letter was sent via email to Reading Borough Council, local schools and ward councillors on 04/06/19, introducing the upgrade site proposal.

No site-specific feedback has been received from the LPA at the time of submission.

Documentation Submitted with Application

- Plans and elevations
- Supporting statement
- Site Specific Supplementary Information
- General Background Information
- ICNIRP Declaration

Design Component

- Use proposed – Proposed telecommunications site for EE Ltd and H3G
- Amount – There are 9no. antennas proposed and 6no. equipment cabinets, along with ancillary works such as RRU's, support poles and feeder cables etc. The height to the top of the proposed antennas will be 20m
- Layout – The proposed antennas shall be supported on the upper parts of the structure with ground based equipment cabinets and ancillary equipment.
- Scale – The total height of the site will be at 20m

Access

Access to the development is by definition limited to the operator and its authorised agents.