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Please upload the below to the above application. WSCC comments



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Hi Maria

Thanks for forwarding this to me. Apologies, as I did the response for you urgently yesterday, I had not seen that there were multiple pages to the location plan that had been uploaded.

Having inspected these plans and can see that the proposed pole and cabinets will be moved slightly further north east than currently positioned. On the basis that the existing pole and cabinets will be removed, and that the proposed infrastructure will retain greater than 1.5m minimum footway width, I am satisfied that there would be no obstruction to pedestrians in this location and no highway safety concerns would be raised.

The statutory undertaker will need to submit the necessary notification to the Highway Authority independently and any traffic management will need to be agreed with WSCC Highways prior to works taking place. Their contact details are included below.

Conclusion

The LHA does not consider that this proposal would have an unacceptable impact on highway safety or result in 'severe' cumulative impacts on the operation of the highway network, therefore is not contrary to the National Planning Policy Framework (paragraph 109), and that there are no transport grounds to resist the proposal.

If the LPA are minded to approve this application, the following informative is advised.

Informative

The Local Highways Authority (LHA) advises the applicant that in addition to obtaining planning permission that they must also obtain formal approval from the highway authority to carry out any proposed works on the highway, please call 01243 642105.

Nicola Fry
West Sussex County Council – Planning Services

Nicola Fry | Senior Technician | Information Management | Planning Services

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Hi Nicola,

Please see below the response of the agent to your request.

It is rather lengthy but hopefully you will find there something useful.

Kind regards

Maria

[Redacted]

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Hello Maria,

The intention is to replace the existing mast with a 2G/3G/4G and now a 5G set of antennas. The requirement therefore is that the mast has to be taller and slightly wider than the existing in order to support the additional 5G

antennas and feeder cables that run down the centre of the monopole. This is to bring 5G to the area and to concentrate on utilising an existing site as per the NPPF. This is the reasoning for the new application.

At present the operators are experiencing an unprecedented demand on the mobile network. More particularly the demand has shifted from city centres and places of work to residential and suburban areas. Equally the operators are working closely with central govt in order to maintain communication for all including the emergency services. The change in usage has meant that a great many more connections are being made due to home working, deliveries etc. but also there has been a variation in the time of day that demand is required. The networks were originally designed in order to support the increased capacity and demand involved in a normal working day. That being commuting traffic, city centres and main transport routes. As you can appreciate this has fundamentally changed over the last 10 or so weeks and it is considered that this change may well extend for a considerable period of time.

With regards to the proposed new monopole and the existing site the intention is to replace the existing with the new monopole. This involves decommissioning the existing monopole and integrating the new one. In order to remove the existing structure the new monopole needs to be fully integrated into the network. During this process there is a short period of time where potentially both antenna systems are switched off. As mentioned above it is paramount at this time to ensure that none of the mobile network is affected or involved in any downtime. EE will shortly be taking over all of the emergency services requirements on their 4G network and the operator cannot allow a break in coverage especially at the present time. Consequently the intention is to retain the existing monopole for a short period, integrate the 5G antennas on the new monopole and to remove the existing monopole when it is practicable. The intention is not to have both monopoles in place for an extended period but simply to ensure that the most effective support for the network is provided at the current time.

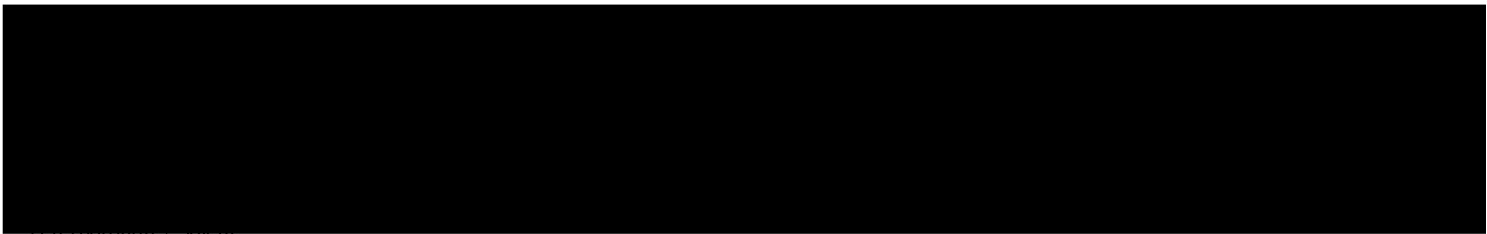
It is considered reasonable if you so wish to include any requirement to remove the existing monopole when the new monopole is fully operational and therefore operating on all parts of the spectrum. The operator would not wish to duplicate services and due to their proximity it would not be technically viable to have both installations operating on all parts of the network, 2G/3G/4G just to allow the 5G to operate. However, the requirement to retain the existing will only be for a short period of time so that there is no break whatsoever in network provision. The timescales involved are dependent upon available teams to complete the works, the integration of the new site and the operational requirement to maintain the network to its fullest capacity during this unprecedented period. We do not anticipate this to be a long period of time but I hope you can appreciate that at present the operators priority is providing connectivity to all users without any chance of a loss in coverage. To do so will require the existing to be retained for this short period.

I hope the above provides you with sufficient information with regards to the proposals and how the operators are ensuring the best customer experience and network provision in support of all communities at this difficult time. The use of the mobile networks is one which goes unnoticed by the majority of the public but if it is lost then all are affected. The expectation is that your mobile signal just works but there is a large amount of work that is involved in upgrading and replacing existing infrastructure, testing and finally integrating the new equipment prior to switching it over. As the current situation has placed unexpected demand upon the operators network they consider it appropriate to ensure that this is their priority to support communities, to ensure continued connectivity and to allow communities to operate as normal as far as is practicable. There is a provision within Part 16 for mobile Operators to remove redundant equipment and this will be complied with as soon as possible. To provide a specific timescale at present is not practical due to this overarching need to support communities, the emergency services, and individuals when operating an effective mobile service.

In terms of the detailed site plan request, I'd have thought drawing 215 shows this? It's drawn to scale and shows the area around the application site.

Richard

Richard Morison
Principal Planner
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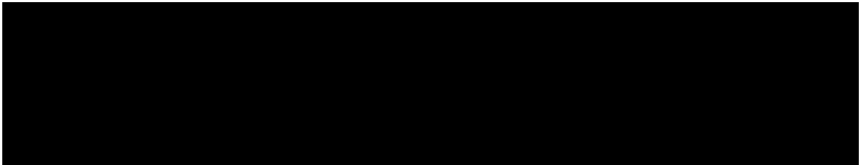
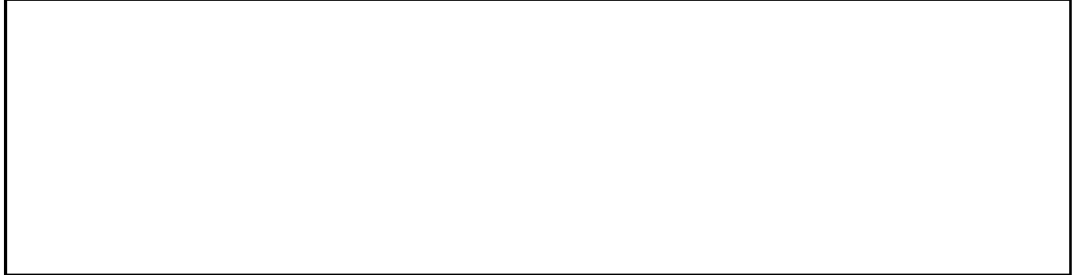


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Dear
Mr Morison,

I am aware that it is rather late, however I have got comment form Highways just recently and they ask for a further information as follow:

This application is for the erection of a 19m monopole with wraparound cabinet at base and three additional cabinets at ground level. The site is located on Victoria Drive, a C-classified road subject to a speed limit of 30mph.

The proposed cabinets and pole will be located on the footway of Victoria Drive, within the public highway. The LHA request clarification from the applicant whether the proposed pole and cabinets will be a replacement of existing pole and cabinets, or in addition to these? A detailed site plan is requested to demonstrate the proposal in relation to the existing footway and existing street furniture, for example, trees and lighting pole to ensure that sufficient footway width remains. Inclusive mobility sets out a minimum footway width of 1.5m.

Please request this information from the applicant and re-consult.

Would it be possible to provide the above the latest Friday morning/noon?

Thank you

Kind regards

Maria





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