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Dear Ms Kelly,

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

Application No.: 21/03350/TEL
Applicant's Name: CK Hutchison Networks (UK) Ltd
Proposal: Proposed 5G Telecommunications Installation
Location: Street Record
Station Road
Kirtlington
Parish(es): Kirtlington

I write in response to the above application seeking the pre application views of the Council with respect to the proposed erection of a 15m monopole telecommunications mast together with a wrap-around cabinet at its base and with a further three cabinets alongside, which would be positioned on the highway verge south of the junction of the Oxford and Bletchingdon Roads in Kirtlington.

The site immediately adjoins the Kirtlington Conservation Area and the views from the Conservation Area to the North, East and West of the site would be detrimentally impacted by this proposal. This would significantly harm the heritage setting of the adjoining part of the Conservation Area by reason of the prominence of the location and height of the proposed mast, the resulting harm is compounded by the fact that the proposed works may undermine the existing stone wall which has a positive impact on the heritage asset and is itself considered to be a non-designated heritage asset, and that the proposed works may compromise the root protection areas of the adjacent mature trees on private land to the south of the site.

It is considered that the proposed mast would be a dominant an alien feature at this gateway to the village and would have a significant detrimental impact on the character and appearance of the Kirtlington Conservation Area, In view of this conclusion, I write for and on behalf of Cherwell District Council to object to the proposed siting of the above monopole mast and associated cabinets.

Yours faithfully,

John Cosgrove