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The Chief Planning Officer Cherwell District Council Development Management Place & Growth Directorate Bodicote House Banbury OX15 4AA

Sent via email to: Planning@cherwell-dc.gov.uk

12 October 2022

Dear Sir/Madam,

Proposed telecommunications base station development at:

Cell Ref: CS20134822 TEF474758

Address: Telecommunications site at Blenheim Farm, off B4035, Sibford Ferris, Oxfordshire, OX15 6LL

NGR: 435470, 239064

Cornerstone is the UK's leading mobile infrastructure services company, acquiring, managing and owning over 20,000 sites and they are committed to enabling best in class mobile connectivity for over half of all the country's mobile customers. Cornerstone oversee works on behalf of telecommunications providers and wherever possible aim to:

- Promote shared infrastructure
- Maximise opportunities to consolidate the number of base stations
- Significantly reduce the environmental impact of network development

Cornerstone is in the process of progressing a suitable telecommunications site in the following area:

• Rural area north of Burdrop

As part of a continued network improvement program, the deployment of new telecommunications infrastructure in this area will address the following technical requirement:

Maintain existing multigenerational network services and provide a new 5G solution

Cornerstone, and we as their agent, aim to work with you to progress a proposal that is both acceptable to your authority and meets with customers' technical network requirements. This approach accords with Cornerstone's Best Practice Commitments to ensure consultation with Local Planning Authorities and other appropriate key stakeholders.

Mobiles can only work with a network of base stations in place where people want to use their mobile phones or other wireless devices. Without base stations, the mobile phones and other devices we rely on simply won't work.

This letter therefore invites the Local Planning Authority, in accordance with planning policy guidance and Best Practice Commitments, to enter into pre-application discussions with regard to the preferred site option and development proposal prior to any formal planning submission.

In the first instance, all correspondence should be directed to the agent: Galliford Try Telecoms

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Best Practice guidance and National Planning Policy suggest a preference for the use of existing sites and the upgrade of established infrastructure that has been put in place for preceding generations of mobile networks, as is the case in this instance. However, to ensure that the proposed site and development represent the best available coverage solution, the operator has first sought to:

- Take account of all relevant Development Plan policies;
- Review the Local Planning Authority mast register;
- Consider if there are existing base station sites available for use in the locale; and
- Evaluate the planning history of the site in question

Should any party wish to make any further alternative site suggestions, these will be gratefully received and investigated.

We would also appreciate if you could advise us of any pending telecommunications applications or recent planning decisions that you may be aware of in this particular area so that these may also be evaluated.

The proposed development at the subject site is as follows:

- Removal of 3No. antennas and all ancillary development
- Installation of 6No. antennas, 2No. dishes and all ancillary development

The development will be located at the subject site address with the site layout as marked on the attached drawings. All elements of this proposal will be coloured as per the existing apparatus and have been limited in terms of size and amount to ensure the delivery of public benefit via the mobile services it will provide, i.e.: improved and uptodate mobile communications services.

This proposal falls within permitted development rights as defined by The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) (Amendment) Order 2022 and the intent is that an appropriate notice will follow in due course.

Please note that all Cornerstone installations are designed to be fully compliant with the public exposure guidelines established by the International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection (ICNIRP). These guidelines have the support of UK Government, the European Union and they also have the formal backing of the World Health Organisation. A certificate of ICNIRP compliance will be included within any planning submission that may follow.

A copy of our Consultation Plan has been attached for your consideration and as you will note, we have contacted the following parties as part of this consultation exercise:

- Local Planning Authority
- Ward Councillors

We would, however, welcome your suggestions on any other parties that have not yet been consulted but who may be interested in learning more about this development proposal.

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Thanks in advance for any feedback you may be able to provide on the information provided above and/or in the attached documentation. May we also extend an invitation to meet with your department to discuss this proposal and undertake a tour of the options considered, should you consider this to be beneficial. We look forward to receiving your comments and would appreciate it if these could be forwarded within 14-days of this letter.

Should you have any queries regarding any aspect of this consultation, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned quoting the subject cell reference.

Yours faithfully



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For and on behalf of Cornerstone

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