

# **Bicester Eco-Village**

## **Fixed Network AMR Solutions**

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#### 1.1 Cover Letter

There are different types of Automatic Meter Reading solutions available, internal & external. Due to the nature of this site, an internal solution would not practical. This is because there is a large of single properties (houses) that do not have internal risers / corridors like the 3 storey blocks have, to house the internal equipment.

Internal solutions are used more in tower blocks, maisonette type buildings where there are a lot of meters closely located in a small area.

As Bicester is a more wide spread site, covering a large area, the roof top antenna solution is ideal.

The antennas will be connected to Izar RDC Premiums. These units are programmed with upload and download intervals, FTP server settings and a commissioned device list. For Concept 1 the RDC can be housed within the energy centre, or in an IP-Rated outdoor enclosure located on the roof top. Power points will be 230Vlt un-switched fused spurs. There would be 2 x H2000 Flex data cables (16mm diameter) fed back form the antenna to the RDC.

For Concept 2 the un-switched power points would need to be installed within the internal riser cupboards of the blocks at the top floor (we specify un-switched so this eradicates any chance of the equipment being accidentally switched off by cleaners/other tradesman who have access to the riser cupboards).

RDC Premiums can take 1 X-Pol antenna, or 2 Yagi antennas. We then run the H2000 flex cables out of the riser, pinned to the ceiling (above the suspended ceiling) then up through a penetration mount, and run across the roof top to the antennas. The cable on the roof top would be sat on rubber mounted feet.



## 1.2 Roof top antenna Concept 1

From visiting the site at with Diehl at Bicester Eco-Village we were able to determine the best solution that would meet the needs of the Fixed Network AMR system.

We completed a thorough site survey and range test using a single X-Pol Kathrein antenna, and external radio modules (these modules act like heat meters and transmit the same frequency signal) from the roof of building 3.



We distributed the modules at different locations throughout the site, firstly within the HIU locations within the properties and secondly in hard to reach 'Black spots'. We then completed another range test from the roof of the energy Centre due to site specifications from Wilmott Dixon. The height this antenna would have to be installed is approximately 10 meters from the Energy Centre roof top. This has been deemed as unacceptable. This height is due to the Energy Centre being lower than Buildings 2 & 3, so the antenna line of site would have to be above the roof of buildings 2 & 3.



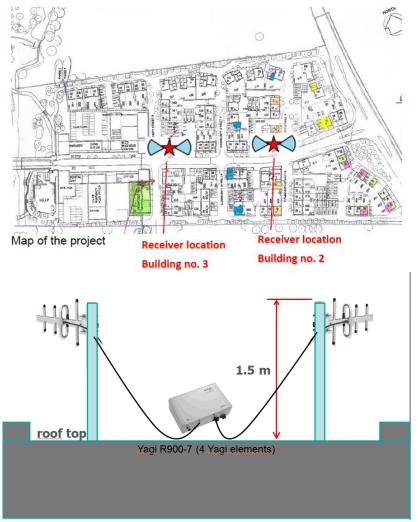


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## 1.3 Roof top antenna Concept 2

Due to the height the antenna would have to be installed with Concept 1, Diehl provided us with a 2<sup>nd</sup> solution that would counteract this issue. Concept 2 consists of 4 Yagi antennas, distributed across 2 buildings (2 & 3), 2 on each roof top.



The antenna's will be fixed to an upright stand approximately 1.5 meters tall, with an antenna outreach of approximately 1 meter.

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## 2. EQUIPMENT SPECIFICATIONS

#### RDC Premium (used with both Concepts 1 & 2)



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## **Concept 1 Kathrein x-Pol antenna**

Panel 790-960

Dual Polarization X

Half-power Beam Width 85°

Adjust. Electr. Downtilt 0°-14°

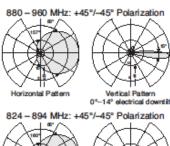
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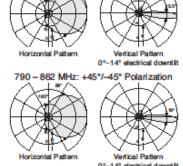
set by hand or by optional RCU (Remote Control Unit)

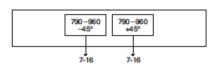
#### XPol Panel 790-960 85° 13.5dBi 0°-14°T

Type No.	80010308vo1			
	790 – 960			
Frequency range	790 - 862 MHz	824 - 894 MHz	880 - 960 MHz	
Polarization	+45°, -45°	+45°, -45°	+45°, -45°	
Average gain (dBi) Tilt	13.2 13.3 13.2 0° 7° 14°	13.3 13.4 13.3 0° 7° 14°	13.4 13.5 13.4 0° 7° 14°	
Horizontal Pattern:				
Half-power beam width	86°	85°	83°	
Front-to-back ratio (180°±0°)	> 24 dB	> 24 dB	> 26 dB	
Front-to-back ratio (180°±30°)	> 20 dB	> 22 dB	> 24 dB	
Cross polar ratio 0° Sector ±60°	Typically: 20 dB > 10 dB	Typically: 20 dB > 10 dB	Typically: 20 dB > 10 dB	
Tracking, Avg.	0.5dB			
Squint	±1.5°			
Vertical Pattern:				
Half-power beam width	16°	15.5°	15°	
Electrical tilt	0°-14°, continuously adjustable			
Sidelobe suppression for first sidelobe above main beam	0° 7° 14° T ≥ 17 16 15 dB	0° 7° 14° T ≥ 17 17 16 dB	0° 7° 14° T ≥ 17 16 16 dB	
Impedance	50Ω			
VSWR	<1.5			
Isolation, between ports	> 30 dB			
Intermodulation IM3	<-150 dBc (2 x 43 dBm carrier)			
Max. power per input	500 W (at 50 °C ambient temperature)			









Mechanical specifications				
Input	2 x 7-16 female			
Connector position	Bottom			
Adjustment mechanism	1x, Position bottom continuously adjustable			
Windload	Frontal: 430 N (at 150 km/h) Laterat: 200 N (at 150 km/h) Rearside: 590 N (at 150 km/h)			
Max. wind velocity	200 km/h			
Height/width/depth	1294 / 259 / 99 mm			
Category of mounting hardware	M (Medium)			
Weight	9 kg / 11 kg (clamps incl.)			
Packing size	1586 x 292 x 138 mm			
Scope of supply	Panel and 2 units of clamps for 42 - 115 mm diameter			

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## Concept 2 Yagi Antenna (R 900-10)

## R 900-7/..., R 900-10/..., R 900-14/...

Directional Antennas with 7, 10 and 14 dBd Gain for the 900 MHz Band

#### DESCRIPTION

- These antennas are 4-, 8- and 18-element Yagi antennas with 7, 10, and 14 dBd gain, respectively.
- When mounted for vertical polarisation the horizontal coverage is F 7: 74°, R 900-10: 52° and R 900-14: 32°.
   These Yagis incorporate baluns optimized for wide bandwidth and sation the horizontal coverage is R 900-
- accurate matching.
- accurate maconing.

  The entire balun unit and feeder cable inlet are completely sealed in a polythene moulding ensuring permanent waterproof connections. The antennas are supplied with a 0.8 or 3 m "tail" of RG 213 terminated with an N-female connector. (See specifications).

  Radiating elements, supporting booms and adjoining metal castings have been constructed in high quality aluminium alloys to prevent corrosion. All metal parts are DC-grounded.
- The antennas are designed for back mounting and are provided with rear extended booms.
- These antennas can be stacked and fed in phase with a matching harness for increased gain.
- A mast clamp for fixation on 30 58 mm diameter mast tube is



#### ORDERING DESIGNATIONS

FREQUENCY	820 - 900 MHZ	
TYPE	PRODUCT NO.	
R 900-7/i	120000058	4-element Yagi 7 dBd
R 900-10/1	120000060	8-element Yagi 10 dBd
R 900-14/I	120000062	18-element Yagi 14 dBd
FREQUENCY	870 - 960 MHZ	
TYPE	PRODUCT NO.	
R 900-7/h	120000059	4-element Yagi 7 dBd
R 900-10/h	120000061	8-element Yagi 10 dBd
R 900-14/h	120000063	18-element Yagi 14 dBd

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

MODEL.	R 900-7/	R 900-10/_	R 900-14/_	
ELECTRICAL.				
ANTENNA TYPE	4-element Yagi	8-element Yagi	18-element Yagi	
FREQUENCY	I: 820 - 900 MHz h: 870 - 960 MHz			
IMPEDANCE	50 Ω			
POLARIZATION	Vertical or horizontal			
GAIN	9 dBl 7 dBd	12 dBi 10 dBd	16 dBi 14 dBd	
FRONT TO BACK RATIO	16 dB	20 dB	25 dB	
HALF POWER BEAMWIDTH	E-plane: 56* H-plane: 74°	E-plane: 42° H-plane: 52°	E-plane: 23° H-plane: 32°	
BANDWIDTH	80-90 MHz			
SWR	\$ 1.5			
MAX. POWER	150 W			
ANTISTATIC PROTECTION	All metal parts DC-grounded (Connector shows a DC-short)			
MECHANICAL				
TEMP. RANGE	-25°C + +60°C			
CONNECTION	0.8 m tall of RG 213 terminated with type "N" female connector	0.8 m tail of RG 213 terminated with type "N" female connector	3 m tail of RG 213 terminated with type "N" female connector	
WIND SURFACE	0.034 m <sup>2</sup>	0.047 m <sup>2</sup>	0.091 m <sup>2</sup>	
WIND LOAD	43 N @ 160 km/h	59 N @ 160 km/h	119 N @ 160 km/h	
COLOUR	"Aluminium"			
MATERIALS	Elements/Boom/Saddle damps: Aluminium alloys. Fittings: Stainless steel. Bracket: Hot-dipped galvanized steel			
BOOM LENGTH	Approx. 0.69 m	Approx. 0.97 m	Approx. 2.04 m	
BOOM DEA.	25.4 mm			
MAX. ELEMENT LENGTH	0.21 m			
DIA. OF ELEMENTS	9.5 mm			
WEIGHT	Approx. 2.1 kg	Approx. 2.8 kg	Approx. 4.2 kg	
MOUNTING	Supplied with ma tube	st bracket sulting 3	0-58 mm dia. mass	

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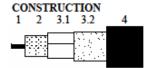


## **Antenna Data Cable**

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	COAX H2000 FLEX PVC	page	1/2

#### APPLICATION

Coaxial cables used for Radio-frequency designed according the International Standard IEC 1196.



1 Inner conductor Solid soft annealed copper

2 Dielectric Gas injected PE 3.1 Foil Copper-PET 3.2 Braid Annealed copper

4 Sheath PVC according the European Standard HD 624.

#### REQUIREMENTS AND TEST METHODS

Test methods in accordance with International Standard IEC 1196.

#### Mechanical characteristics

Inner conductor.

Diameter:  $2.62 \text{ mm} \pm 0.03 \text{ mm}$  2. Dielectric:

Diameter: 7.15 mm ± 0.2 mm

Centricity:  $\geq 0.85$ 

Adhesion: 41 - 410 N at 50 mm

3. Outer conductor:

 Diameter screen:
 7.8 mm ± 0.25 mm

 Foil overlap:
 ≥ 2 mm

 Coverage braid:
 49 % ± 5 %

4. Sheath:

Diameter:  $10.3 \text{ mm} \pm 0.3 \text{ mm}$ Tensile strength:  $\geq 12.5 \text{ N/mm}^2$ Elongation at break:  $\geq 150 \%$ 

Cable

Crush resistance of cable: < 1% (load of 700N) Storage/operating temperature: -15°C to +70°C

Minimum installation temperature: -5 °C
Minimum static bend radius: 100 mm
Total weight: 141 g/m

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