

Our Ref: CTIL 149744

10th November 2016

Councillor Alexa Michael
The London Borough of Bromley Council
Bromley Civic Centre
Stockwell Close
Bromley
BR1 3UH

Dear Councillor

PROPOSED BASE STATION INSTALLATION AT CTIL 149744, VF 87800, TEF 072106 HOLWOOD ESTATE, WESTERHAM ROAD (A233) BROMLEY, KESTON, KENT, BR2 6HU

Telefónica UK Limited has entered into an agreement with Vodafone Limited pursuant to which the two companies plan to jointly operate and manage a single network grid across the UK. These arrangements will be overseen by Cornerstone Telecommunications Infrastructure Ltd (CTIL) which is a joint venture company owned by Telefónica UK Limited and Vodafone Limited.

This agreement allows both organisations to:

- Pool their basic network infrastructure, while running two, independent, nationwide networks
- Maximise opportunities to consolidate the number of base stations
- significantly reduce the environmental impact of network development.

Vodafone and Telefónica are in the process of identifying a suitable site in the Keston area for a radio base station. The purpose of this letter is to consult with you and seek your views on our proposal before any planning submission is made. We understand that you are not always able to provide site specific comments, however, Vodafone and Telefónica are committed to consultation with communities on our mobile telecommunications proposals and as such would encourage you to respond.

As part of Vodafone's and Telefónica's continued network improvement program, there is a specific requirement for a radio base station at this location to provide enhanced coverage in the area.

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.

Please find below the details of the proposed site and the alternative site options considered and discounted in our site selection process: -

Our technical network requirement is as follows:

- CTIL 149744, VF 87800, TEF 072106 Holwood Estate, Westerham Road (A233) Bromley, Keston, Kent, BR2 6HU.
- There is a specific requirement for a base station at this location to provide improved technical provisions (LTE), greater capacity and coverage in the area.

A number of options have been assessed in respect of the site search process and we consider the best solution is as follows:

- CTIL 149744, VF 87800, TEF 072106 Holwood Estate, Westerham Road (A233) Bromley, Keston, Kent, BR2 6HU.

The Local Planning Authority must register and our records of other potential sites have already been reviewed, the policies in the Development Plan have been taken into account and the planning history of the site has been examined.

All Vodafone and Telefónica 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 the planning submission.

In order to give you time to send your comments or request further information, we commit to allow at least 14 days before an application is submitted to the Local Planning Authority. This 14 day period starts from the date at the top of this letter.

We would also be grateful if you could please advise of any local stakeholders or groups that might like to make comments.

We look forward to receiving any comments you may have on the proposal.

Yours faithfully,

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(for and on behalf of CTIL and Vodafone Ltd and Telefónica UK Limited)