

Our ref: Cornerstone 10782528

08/06/2023

Ward Councillor Colin Dingwall
Ward Councillor Liam Walker

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Dear Councillor Dingwall, Councillor Walker and Leaffield Parish Council,

PROPOSED UPGRADE OF EXISTING BASE STATION INSTALLATION AT CORNERSTONE 10782528 / 00181 TEF LEAFIELD, LEAFIELD TECHNICAL CENTRE, LEAFIELD ROAD, WITNEY, OXFORDSHIRE, OX29 9EF (NGR: E430265, N215631).

Cornerstone is the UK's leading mobile infrastructure services company. We acquire, manage, and own over 20,000 sites and are committed to enabling best in class mobile connectivity for over half of all the country's mobile customers. We 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 are in the process of upgrading existing infrastructure in the Witney area that will improve service provision for Telefónica UK Ltd.

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, Cornerstone and Telefónica are committed to consultation with communities on our mobile telecommunications proposals and as such would encourage you to respond.

As part of Telefónica UK Ltd's continued network improvement program, there is a specific requirement for a radio base station upgrade at this location to provide enhanced network coverage, capacity and connectivity.

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.


Our technical network requirement is as follows:

- Cornerstone 10782528 / 00181 TEF, LEAFIELD
- In order to provide enhanced network coverage, capacity and connectivity for Telefónica, it is proposed that the existing telecommunications base station will be upgraded.

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

- To upgrade the existing base station at the above location.
- As part of this upgrade, 3no. existing antennas will be removed, and 6no. replacement antennas will be installed onto the existing structure headframe; plus the addition of 1no. transmission dish.
- This is considered the optimum town planning and environmental solution for the surrounding area.

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 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 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.

Should you have any queries regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me (quoting cell number Cornerstone 10782528)

Yours faithfully,


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(for and on behalf of Cornerstone)

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