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Via Email: info@mcarthurdean.co.uk

Dear Manager

## PROPOSED BASE STATION UPGRADE AT CTIL\_11758927\_TF\_070019\_VF\_19302\_0, MANOR STREET, HULL, EAST YORKSHIRE, HU1 1XH (E509948 N428784)

Vodafone Limited has entered into an agreement with Telefonica UK 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 (Cornerstone) 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.

Cornerstone and Vodafone are in the process of seeking a suitable site in the Manor Street area for a radio base station. The purpose of this letter is to provide you with information on the proposal and the opportunity for you to seek further information should you wish to do so.

As part of Vodafone's continued network improvement program there is a specific requirement for a radio base station upgrade at this location to provide upgraded 4G services for Vodafone Limited as well as new 5G services for both Vodafone and Telefonica to this part of Hull.

The proposal, which we feel is the best solution to serve our customers in the local community, will include:

The proposed upgrade of an existing base station comprising the proposed removal of 6 no antennas and the installation of 12 no antennas, 3 no dishes with ancillary development thereto.

The site is needed to provide upgraded 2G/3G/4G coverage and capacity for Vodafone as well as new 5G services for both Vodafone and Telefonica to ensure that their customers experience access to the latest service provision currently available.









The operators are proposing to upgrade their existing installation to ensure the latest high quality, reliable, secure communications technology is able to be provided from this location. The amendments to the existing scheme are essential in order that customers' handheld devices continue to operate for the purposes in which they have become accustomed, accessible wherever they are whether that be indoors or outside.

As this is an existing installation and the amendments are relatively minor in nature, this is sequentially the most preferable site for the operators to upgrade their existing service provision to this cell area. As such, no other options have been considered.

All Vodafone installations are designed to be fully compliant with the public exposure guidelines established by the International Commission on Non-lonizing 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 fact, because of the very low power utilised by telecommunications sites the emissions will be many times lower than the ICNIRP threshold.

We would welcome your views (within 14 days of the date of this letter) before we finalise the proposal and submit the planning application to the Local Planning Authority.

Yours sincerely

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(for and on behalf of Cornerstone and Vodafone Limited)