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BY RECORDED EMAIL DELIVERY

Dear Sir/Madam,

NOTIFICATION UNDER THE ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS CODE (CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS) REGULATIONS 2003 (AS AMENDED) TO UTILISE PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS AT MARK LANE/ NORFOLK ROAD, GRAVESEND, KENT, DA12 2QB, (E: 566397 & N: 174128).

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 suitable streetworks sites in the Slough Council Borough area to improve service provision for two Mobile Network Operators (MNOs). This will consist of a shared replacement Streetworks Pole and consolidation of the existing equipment cabinets where possible to reduce clutter in the streetscape.

Please accept this letter and its enclosures as formal notification in writing of 28 days' notice in advance, in accordance with Regulation 5 of the Electronic Communications Code (Conditions and Restrictions) Regulations 2003 (as amended).

No fee is required for this notification.

Cornerstone intend to utilise their permitted development rights as defined in Part 16 of Schedule 2 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended).

In the first instance, all correspondence should be directed to the agent.

Cornerstone LPA Reg 5 Notification Letter (England) V.5 04.04.2022

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The proposals contained herein constitute permitted development under Class A of Part 16.
Description of Development:

REPLACEMENT AND RELOCATION OF 17.5M POLE SUPPORTING 6NO. ANTENNAS WITH 20M POLE SUPPORTING 12NO. ANTENNAS, REPLACEMENT AND RELOCATION OF 2NO. EQUIPMENT CABINETS, INSTALLATION OF 1NO. EQUIPMENT CABINETS AND DEVELOPMENT ANCILLARY THERETO.

For the avoidance of doubt this letter does not constitute:

- An application for a determination as to whether the prior approval of the Authority will be required to siting and appearance; or
- An application for planning permission

The proposed installation comprises:

The site is located on a wide grass verge, along Mark Lane. The proposed upgrade will consolidate the equipment cabinets and create a more uniform site appearance with the proposed replacement pole located between the existing and proposed cabinets. The site is surrounded by trees and bushes of various heights which partially screen the cabinets. The curve of the road additionally screens the site from passing vehicles and pedestrians. The proposed replacement pole will be painted light grey (RAL 7035) to continue to assimilate with the predominantly grey British skyline. The proposed equipment cabinets will be painted fir green (RAL 6009) to match the exiting equipment cabinets and blend in with the surrounding vegetation.

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This will improve 4G connectivity and introduce the most up to date 5G technology on a single shared structure for the customers of two mobile network operators. The height of the proposed replacement pole cannot be reduced. If it was, the lower set of antennas would breach ICNIRP guidelines; this is something that cannot be compromised. The location of the pole is based on the suitability of this site to host an upgrade, the presence of overhead lines and the presence of underground services, this was the nearest location to the existing pole that was free from these issues. The proposed equipment cabinets are as close together as possible and painted green to match the surrounding vegetation. The replacement pole is positioned further back on the grass verge, with the existing curve along Mark Lane the site will be less visible along the road. These elements ensure visual impact of the proposed development on the surrounding area has been minimised so far as practicable.

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Upgrading an existing site is in accordance with planning policy and the replacement pole proposed ensures the shared nature of the site can be maintained, with no need for an additional site in the area to introduce 5G connectivity for both operators and their customers.

It will be located as marked on the attached drawings at:

MARK LANE/ NORFOLK ROAD, GRAVESEND, KENT, DA12 2QB

It will deliver public benefit in terms of the mobile services it will provide.

We also enclose an ICNIRP Declaration and drawing no's 100, 200, 201, 300, 301.

We trust that this information is useful in assisting you to maintain an accurate and up to date register of telecommunications installations. My clients are eager to initiate early development in order to upgrade the radio base station at the above location. We would be grateful if you could provide your acknowledgement that the proposed electronic communications apparatus/development ancillary to radio equipment housing is permitted development at your earliest convenience.

Should you have any queries regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me (quoting cell number: CS20861225_VF72811_23_TEF67714).

Yours sincerely,

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(For and on behalf of Cornerstone)

Enc. Drawings
ICNIRP Declaration & Clarification Statement
General Background Information for Telecommunications Development

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