

20220629 Telecommunications Mast Thames Way

National Highways 28.6.22

Thank you for your email of 14 June 2022 consulting National Highways (formerly Highways England) regarding the above amended application; seeking a response no later than 5 July 2022.

National Highways has been appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport as strategic highway company under the provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 and is the highway authority, traffic authority and street authority for the strategic road network (SRN). The SRN is a critical national asset and as such we work to ensure that it operates and is managed in the public interest, both in respect of current activities and needs as well as in providing effective stewardship of its long-term operation and integrity.

However, given the nature of the application (telecoms installation) and the distance from the SRN (the nearest point being the A2 at Pepper Hill, some 1km+ away), we suspect we have been consulted in error. Therefore, please ensure that you have consulted Kent County Highways.

Nevertheless, please accept this email as our formal response of No Objection.

Should you have any queries regarding our response, please contact us at PlanningSE@nationalhighways.co.uk.