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LETTERS**

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25<sup>th</sup> March 2015

OUR REF: CTIL\_110624\_VF6848\_TEF74480

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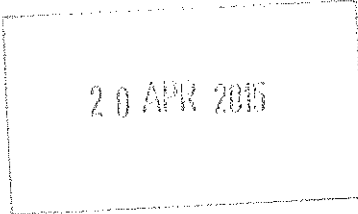
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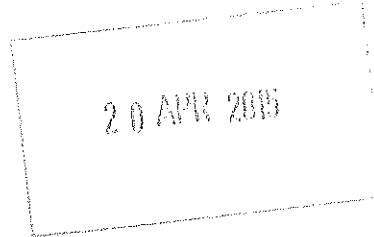
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This letter therefore invites the Local Planning Authority, in accordance with planning policy guidance and Best Practice Commitments, to enter into pre-application discussions with regard to our preferred site option prior to a formal planning submission. Several steps in the site identification process have already been undertaken. The Local Planning Authority mast register and our records of other potential sites have been reviewed, the policies in the Development Plan have been taken into account and we have examined the inter-operator site sharing database.

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We would be grateful if you could advise us of any pending telecommunications applications or recent planning decisions in this particular area so these can be evaluated.

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We enclose a copy of our Consultation Plan and welcome any suggestions.

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This letter is sent to you in the pre-planning application consultation phase of the development for a mobile phone base station site and is simply intended to keep you informed and advised of the proposed development in your area prior to any planning application being submitted. However, if you do wish to submit comments or have been contacted by your constituents in relation to this matter and wish to send us comments on their behalf, please feel free to do so via the following address:

Community Consultation & EMF Enquiries, Building 1330 – The Exchange, Arlington Business Park, Theale, Berkshire, RG7 4SA.

Email: [emf.enquiries@cornerstonemobile.net](mailto:emf.enquiries@cornerstonemobile.net)

What follows is a summary of the proposal and some further information that might be of use.

#### Summary of the proposal

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In line with Best Practice principles we have shared these details with local councillors, planning officers and schools within a 250m radius of the site.

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#### Radio technology and health

Useful information sources on this include:

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National Planning Policy Framework [www.communities.gov.uk](http://www.communities.gov.uk)

World Health Organisation – Electromagnetic Fields [www.who.int/peh-emf/en](http://www.who.int/peh-emf/en)

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I trust all is clear from the enclosed but if you have further questions on this or any other matter concerning this Vodafone and/or Telefónica proposal, please do not hesitate to contact us through Community Consultation & EMF Enquiries within 14 days from the date of this letter.

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