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The Planning Department
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By email: AppComment@eppingforestdc.gov.uk

Dear Sirs,

Re: Planning Application EPF/2104/21 – Bumbles Green, Nazeing - Telecomms Mast

This application was considered at a meeting of the Council's Planning Committee on 19 August 2021 when in addition to the Councillors a number of residents attended. Please arrange for the Council's comments/observations to be noted on the appropriate files.

The discussion included the following relevant points:

(i) No power outputs have been stated in the application or detailed specifications of equipment.

The power outputs from 5G can be over 100,000 times more powerful than a 4G network and at such an extreme level this exceeds all the safe defined levels. It is therefore essential that the proposed power levels of operation are thoroughly investigated and scrutinised before being switched on. It is simply NOT acceptable for a company to submit a statement of compliance without divulging any of the critical details. It is incumbent on all Local Authorities, in this case EFDC, to ensure that only an installation which is established as safe for the public they serve and all future generations is accepted.

A Declaration of Compliance has been supplied but no evidence in support.

(ii) Effects on health of the public – Attached is a copy of a paper submitted by a resident which refers to various reports.

(iii) It appears that no Environmental Impact Assessment has been undertaken. If one had been carried out, it would have investigated and specified the power levels of operation with



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substantial evidence of all studies conducted to demonstrate beyond any doubt whatsoever that no harm would be caused by the equipment.

It is considered unconscionable that vast numbers of the public can potentially be subject to high levels of radiation without any choice or knowledge of possible dire consequences.

(iv) Whilst it is aware that there are no schools/colleges in close proximity to the proposed location, the applicant has failed to observe that a children's playground is approximately 50 metres from the location together with a football field used extensively by young people.

(v) Visually the Mast would be an unattractive structure directly opposite the homes of a number of residents.

(vi) Should the Mast fall, as is possible in the high winds which are sometimes experienced, considerable damage would be caused or even personal injury to an individual who might be in the vicinity at the time.

(vii) In March 2021 this Parish Council was notified of a consultation in relation to a proposed Base Station installation at land adjacent to Nazeing Road, Lower Nazeing, EN9 2NL. Details of the site search process were provided. A number of sites were considered which for various reasons were rejected. These included

Nazeing BT Exchange
Middle Street
Nazeing, EN9 2LP

The stated reasons for rejection were –

The BT exchange is of a very small scale in a predominately residential area and therefore any form of development would have a significant impact.

These reasons cannot be ignored in relation to the present application.

It was resolved for the above reasons that the Council strenuously opposes the application and if it is referred to the Planning Committee will wish to attend and make representations.

Yours faithfully,

Lorraine Ellis
Mrs Lorraine Ellis
Clerk to Nazeing Parish Council