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Lyneham & Bradenstoke PC

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Dear Councillors

## PROPOSED UPGRADE OF (CS124826\_23) THE EXISTING BASE STATION SITE AT FREEGROVE FARM, HILMARTON, LYNEHAM, WILTSHIRE, SN11 9JB (NGR: 402410,177690

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 on behalf of Vodafone have identified this site as requiring an equipment upgrade. The purpose of this letter is to consult with you and seek your views on our proposal before proceeding with the works. We understand that you are not always able to provide site specific comments, however, Cornerstone are committed to consultation with communities for mobile telecommunications proposals and as such would encourage you to respond.

As part of the operators network improvement program, there is a specific requirement for the upgrade of this existing base station to provide improved network services, data speeds and connectivity to the Showground and wider surrounding area.

Mobiles can only work with a network of base stations in place where people want to use their mobile phones or other wireless devices. Without base stations, the mobile phones, and other devices we rely on simply won't work.

Please find below the details of the proposed site and the alternative site options considered and discounted in our site selection process: -

Our technical network requirement is as follows:

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• The upgrade of this existing electronic communications base station to provide enhanced Vodafone network services.

A number of options have been assessed in respect of the site search process and we consider the best solution is as follows:

- The upgrade of the existing electronic communications equipment comprising the removal and replacement of 9 RRU Antenna support units, a new GPS Module, a additional equipment cabinet and ancillary development works thereto.
- This proposal will provide improved significantly enhanced Vodafone network services to the Lyneham area.

The Local Planning Authority mast register and our records of other potential sites have already been reviewed, the policies in the Development Plan have been taken into account and the planning history of the site has been examined.

All installations are designed to be fully compliant with the public exposure guidelines established by the International Commission on Non-Ionizing 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.

We look forward to receiving any comments you may have on the proposal within 14 days of the date of this letter.

Should you have any queries regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me (quoting cell number – CS124826\_23)

Yours faithfully

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(For and on behalf of Cornerstone)

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