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Dear Mr Martin,

PROPOSED TELECOMMUNICATIONS INSTALLATION

PROPOSED BASE STATION INSTALLATION AT CTIL_234596_TEF_79098_NA – GREENFIELD INSTALLATION LOCATED ON LAND AT BROOK CLOSE FARM, PARWICH, ASHBOURNE, DERBYSHIRE, DE6 1QJ (NGR E 418526 / N 354137)

Telefonica UK Limited has entered into an agreement with Vodafone Limited pursuant to which the two companies plan to jointly operate and manage a single network grid across the UK. These arrangements will be overseen by Cornerstone Telecommunications Infrastructure Ltd (CTIL) which is a joint venture company owned by Telefónica UK Limited and Vodafone Limited.

This agreement allows both organisations to:

- Pool their basic network infrastructure, while running two, independent, nationwide networks
- Maximise opportunities to consolidate the number of base stations
- significantly reduce the environmental impact of network development.

Telefónica is in the process of identifying a suitable site in the Parwich area for a radio base station. The purpose of this letter is to consult with you and seek your views on our proposal before any planning submission is made. We understand that you are not always able to provide site specific comments, however, Telefónica is committed to consultation with communities on our mobile telecommunications proposals and as such would encourage you to respond.

As part of Telefónica's continued network improvement program, there is a specific requirement for a radio base station at this location to provide 4G coverage in the area.

Recognising the vital importance of mobile connectivity for residents and local economies, the urgent delivery of the required network improvements continues to be a Government priority. As recently as 9th March 2016, then Prime Minister David Cameron stated:

'Ten years ago, we were all rather guilty of leading campaigns against masts and all the rest of it. Our constituents now want internet and mobile phone coverage. We need to make sure that we change the law in all the ways necessary, that the wayleaves are granted, that the masts are built, that we increase coverage and that everyone is connected to the information superhighway.'

This is substantiated in the most recent budget announcement of 16th March 2016, which commits to provisions for "greater freedoms and flexibilities for the deployment of mobile infrastructure". The proposed

telecommunications base station on land at Hall Farm forms a part of this greater drive to address the deficit in mobile phone coverage and capacity.

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:

NEW TELECOMMUNICATION INSTALLATION LOCATED ON LAND AT BROOK CLOSE FARM, PARWICH, ASHBOURNE, DERBYSHIRE, DE6 1QJ (NGR E 418526 / N 354137)

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

The proposals relate to the installation of a 15 metre slim-line Monopole supporting 3no Antennas; 3no RRU's; 1no 300mm Transmission Dishes; 2no Equipment Cabinets and 1no slim-line Electrical Meter Cabinet at ground level and ancillary development required thereto located ON LAND AT BROOK CLOSE FARM, PARWICH, ASHBOURNE, DERBYSHIRE, DE6 1QJ (NGR E 418526 / N 354137).

We have considered alternative site options and discounted as follows:

1). Existing Television Transmitting Mast, Brook Close Farm, Parwich, Derbyshire, DE61QJ (NGR E 418528 / N 354192) – The operator investigated sharing the existing Arqiva Mast which is located close to the proposed site. The tower in its current form, cannot be used by a second operator as the structure is not capable of accommodating both operators equipment and provide the coverage each require whilst maintaining the operational clearance required between set of antennas. Should this site be proposed to be shared by the operator, the existing column would need to be removed and much larger/taller column with a height of approximately 23-25 metres would be required. It was deemed that a column at this height would have a much greater impact on the visual amenity of the local area than the proposed site would have.

2). Rooftop Installation on Parwich Methodist Church, Alsop Road, Parwich, Ashbourne, Derbyshire, DE6 1QN (NGR E 418465 / N 354390) – The operator investigate installing their equipment within the Church Tower, unfortunately the building height is too low to provide the operators coverage requirements to the target coverage area due the surrounding tree clutter.

3). Greenfield at BT Exchange, Main Street, Parwich, Ashbourne, Derbyshire, DE6 1QJ (NGR E 418702 / N 354478) – The Telephone Exchange is set within a very small area; located close to the centre of the Village and is also adjacent to a large number of residential dwellings. An option at this location would cause much greater harm to the residential amenity of nearby residents, as well as having a larger impact on the visual impact of the Village, to a much greater degree than the subject site would.

4). Greenfield at Parwich Tennis Club, Creamery Lane, Parwich, Ashbourne, Derbyshire, DE6 1QB (NGR E 419100 / N 354470) – The operator and its agent made an approach to the Tennis Club, however after initial interest in the proposal, the owners of the Club withdrew from negotiations consequently this site is not available for use by the telecoms operator.

5). Streetwork on Large Grass Verge, off Church View, Parwich, Ashbourne, Derbyshire, DE6 1QL (NGR E 418768 / N 354390) – This SW site location is situated within the centre of the village and the operator deemed that an

option at this location would cause much greater harm to the residential amenity of nearby residents, as well as having a larger impact on the visual impact of the Village, to a much greater degree than the subject site would.

6). Camping & Caravanning Site, Smithy Lane, Parwich, Ashbourne, Derbyshire, DE6 1QF (NGR E 418195 / N 354833) – This site is located on the outskirts of the operators search area and due its location to the east of the village the operator will only obtain 1 sector of coverage to the village and this will dramatically impact on the proposed coverage the operator will only obtain 1 sector of coverage to the village and this will dramatically impact on the proposed coverage.

7). Greenfield at Dam Farm, Parwich, Ashbourne, Derbyshire, DE6 1QL (NGR E 418731 / N 354371) - – This site location is situated within the centre of the village and the operator deemed that an option at this location would cause much greater harm to the residential amenity of nearby residents, as well as having a larger impact on the visual impact of the Village, to a much greater degree than the subject site would.

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 Telefónica's 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. A certificate of ICNIRP compliance will be included within the planning submission. Please note that we have also consulted with the Dovedale County Councillor; Dovedale & Parwich Councillor; local MP and local planning officer.

We look forward to receiving any comments you may have on the proposal within 14 days of the date of this letter. This is a guideline response date, please contact me directly on the email below should you require any additional time to consider the above proposal.

Yours sincerely

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