Our Ref: 76897

6th June 2020

The Director of Planning
The Planning Department
Manchester City Council
Manchester
M60 2LA

Dear Sir/Madam,

EE LTD & HUTCHISON 3G UK LTD:

GPDO APPLICATION FOR PROPOSED 5G (FIFTH GENERATION) TELECOMS EQUIPMENT

AT SANTIAGO ST, RUSHOLME, MANCHESTER, M14 4BL

At present MBNL are embarking upon a process to upgrade their existing Streetworks monopole installations. These sites are predominantly located on Highways land close to population densities and have been sited with consideration of a sequential approach to site acquisition. With 5G the design of the installations has to change. MBNL are now deploying 2G/3G/4G and 5G antennas in order to provide the best possible mobile experience for all our customers.

The proposed development is within the limits set out in Part 16 for permitted development with Prior Approval. The location enables the whole of the surrounding area to benefit from improved 5G network coverage and has been designed to be future proof, thus enabling other technologies to be deployed depending upon the demand required. As the shift in demand is expected for the foreseeable future and that as central government considers digital communications to be a critical national infrastructure, we intend to support customers and local residents by ensuring as little disruption as possible. The existing site will therefore be retained so that all existing users may benefit at this difficult time. In addition, EE will become the Emergency Services Network Provider and in order to dedicate the 4G network for that use, the intention is to support all users during the current climate and to maintain all current services without the removal of any existing equipment.

While we appreciate that your council may have ongoing difficulties in progressing applications due to the current restrictions, we would urge you to try and progress this application as a 'Priority Submission' within the 56 day time-frame due to its critical national importance at this time.

This application is submitted under Part 16 of Schedule 2 to the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 as amended by the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) (Amendment) (no.2) Order 2016 and in accordance with the electronic communications code under the Telecommunications Act 1984 Schedule 2 as amended by the Communications Act 2003.

This is an application for a determination as to whether the prior approval of the Authority will be required to the siting and appearance as outlined on the enclosed drawings.

We write on behalf of Hutchison & EE Ltd, with regard to the telecommunications apparatus at the above location. Hutchison & EE Ltd are licensed operators of an electronic communications network in accordance with the Communications Act 2003.

Hutchison & EE Ltd benefits from permitted development rights for this development as set out under the above order. H3G and EE are required to apply to the local planning authority for a determination as to whether the prior approval of the authority will be required to the siting and appearance of the development set out below;

Proposed Telecommunications upgrade. Proposed 20.0m AGL Phase 7 monopole c/w wrapround cabinet at base and associated ancillary works.

The location has been identified as being necessary for MBNLs business development and meets its specific technical and operational requirements. We now make a formal application to you as planning authority.

Please find enclosed the associated application package comprising: -

- Required number of copies of associated Planning Drawings Ref: 76897
- Required number of copies of the Statement made in support of the application which contains the following;
- ICNIRP Certificate.
- Payment of £ 462.00 (plus planning portal fee).

We trust this will be acceptable and look forward to discussing the merits of this proposal with you in the near future. In the meantime should you require any additional information or have any queries relating to this application, please do not hesitate to contact (Damian Hosker BA (Hons) MA MRTPI) at the above address.

Yours faithfully,

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