

DESIGN & ACCESS STATEMENT

Introduction

As part of changed legislation it is now necessary to provide a **Design and Access Statement** with planning applications and listed building consent. The aim of this statement is to demonstrate our commitment to achieving good design and to ensure accessible design.

Description of site and proposed works

The site is situated adjacent to a road on public highway land. It is proposed to install a 10.3 metre high lamp post style monopole with omni antenna with equipment cabinet adjacent at ground level. The site layout can be seen in clear detail on accompanying drawing number GLN8344/A/01 Rev A.

The proposed streetworks are needed to provide 3G (UMTS) coverage to the surrounding area of Hampstead Heath. The coverage is currently provided or planned by an existing site (GLN7941) on Hampstead Lane to the East and a further site on North End Way to the West. All licensed 3G operators have a requirement to provide 3G coverage to 90% of the population by 2007.

Design Process

As the coverage area is predominantly the residential areas and the arterial routes it was considered appropriate to site the installation, where possible, away from residential properties. It was possible to do this in this case. As there is an existing '3' installation approximately 15metres along Spaniard's Lane of similar appearance and size it is considered that this Orange site will not impact further on the street scene.

Use

The site is to be used as a telecommunications installation.

Layout

The layout can be seen more clearly in the attached drawings. It is proposed to site the monopole on the grass verge in between the curb and the pavement with the cabinet adjacent.

Scale

N/a

Appearance

The proposed monopole will be made of similar material to lampposts will be coloured green to blend in with the surroundings.

Landscaping

It is not intended to carry out any landscaping for this proposal

Access

The lamppost style monopole and cabinet will be accessible to the public, being adjacent to the pavement, but will be secure. No additional access is needed or will be provided.