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Dear Sir or Madam,

**PRE APPLICATION CONSULTATION FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A TELECOMMUNICATIONS SITE, COMPRISING OF THE INSTALLATION OF 6 NO. ANTENNAS, 6 NO. CABINETS, 1 NO. 0.3 METRE DISH, 1 NO. GPS ANTENNA AND ASSOCIATED DEVELOPMENT. AT GRANGEMILL, 6-7 INGESTRE ROAD, CAMDEN, LONDON NW5 1XH (SITE REF 150303) NGR 528814 / 185803.**

Telefónica 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

This proposal is for both Telefonica and Vodafone.

**PROPOSAL DESCRIPTION:** The installation of 6 no. pole mounted antennas 6 no. cabinets, 1 no. 0.3 metre dish, 1no. GPS antenna and associated development.

**JUSTIFICATION:** This site is required as the lease at an existing site at Linton House 39 – 51 Highgate Road, Kentish Town NW5 1RS has been terminated and the existing site has been decommissioned. A replacement site therefore is required in the locality to replace and improve the lost coverage.

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**DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS:** The amount and height of equipment has been kept to the minimum. The building is more than 22 metres in height. This building was selected as it is the highest structure in the area and enables the antennas to be above the surrounding buildings and trees. By utilising this building the antennas can be kept to the minimum height to reduce the visual appearance of the site.

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.

This letter therefore invites the Local Planning Authority, in accordance with planning policy guidance and Best Practice Commitments, to enter into pre-application discussions with regard to the proposal prior to a formal planning submission. Several steps in the site identification process have already been undertaken. The Local Planning Authority mast register and planning history has been reviewed, the policies in the Development Plan have been taken into account and we have examined the inter-operator site sharing database.

The search area concentrates on the area around Linton House which is a mix of retail/commercial and residential. The following sites were investigated and discounted:

Site Type	Site name and address	National Grid Reference	Reason for not choosing site
Rooftop	The Piano Works, 28-34 Fortess Road, London, NW5	529004/185390	Rooftop not suitable to host installation
Rooftop	Tally Ho Apartments, London, NW5 1AA	528965/185363	Rooftop not suitable to host installation – not enough space
Greenfield	19-37 Highgate Road, London, N22 6BH	531381/189775	Site provider has planned redevelopment
Rooftop	30-42 Highgate Road, London, NW5 1NS	531374/189834	Discounted by radio planners – will not provide adequate coverage
Rooftop	O2 Forum, 9-17 Highgate Road, London, NW5 1JY	528923/185318	Listed building – less likely to achieve planning than the application site.
Rooftop	Highgate Bus Centre, 299 Archway Road, London, N6 5AA	528593/188125	Discounted by radio planners – will not provide adequate coverage
Rooftop	Dean House Studios, London, NW5 1LB	528795/185413	Discounted by radio planners – will not provide adequate

			coverage
Rooftop	Acland Burghley School, 93 Burghley Road, London, NW5 1UJ	529065/185919	Listed building – less likely to achieve planning than application site.
Lattice mast	J Murphy and Sons Limited, Highview House, Highgate Road, London NW5 1TN	528913/185316	The buildings are not suitable for hosting telecommunications. A ground based mast would therefore be required which was considered not be the best planning solution in the area as in line with NPPF says existing structures and rooftops should be utilised where possible.
Roof Top	Christ Apostolic Church, 23 Highgate Road, London NW5 1JY	528921/185304	Listed building – less likely to achieve planning than application site.
Rooftop	Kentish Town Fire Station, 20 Highgate Road, London, NW5 1NT	528899/185441	Only feasible design is considered to have more of a visible impact than the application site.

We look forward to receiving your comments on the preferred option identified above. We would also like to take this opportunity to extend an invitation to meet with you to discuss the proposal, should you consider this to be beneficial.

All Telefónica and Vodafone 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.

We would be grateful if you would therefore please advise us of:

- Appropriate planning constraints including any restricting permitted development rights
- Telecommunications history of the site or in the surrounding area
- Community interest groups and other stakeholders
- Comments on the proposal, its acceptability and what can be done to make it acceptable. If location is acceptable but design not, then please state so in your response.

Finally, we would be interested in any local stakeholders or groups that you consider would like to know more about our proposals.

We look forward to receiving your response within 14 days of the date of this letter.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. M. Skerrett'.

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(for and on behalf of CTIL Vodafone and Telefónica UK Limited)

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