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SARISBURY

VODAFONE LIMITED

AGENT: SAVILLS

REPLACEMENT MONOPOLE, REMOVAL OF 3 NO ANTENNAS, INSTALLATION OF 6 NO ANTENNAS AND 2 NO DISHES AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT

CHANDLERS WAY - UNIT 12 - LAND ADJ TO PARK GATE SOUTHAMPTON SO31 1FQ

Report By

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Site Description

The site is located to the north of Chandlers Way which is to the east of Botley Road within the middle of an industrial estate.

The replacement mast is proposed to be positioned within a fenced area to the west of a car park.

The nearest residential property is 95 metres to the north, the other side of the M27.

Description of Proposal

This application has been submitted seeking confirmation that "prior approval is not required" for the replacement and installation of new telecommunications equipment.

The application is made pursuant to Schedule 2, Part 24, Class A of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 as amended. This part of the Order requires the applicant 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 only.

In this case the site already accommodates a 17.5 metres monopole antenna and the new mast that would be at the same height as the existing but would include the installation of six antennas, two dishes and associated equipment.

The application drawings are supported with:

- supporting statement
- background information for telecommunications development
- ICNIRP certificate

Policies

The following policies apply to this application:

The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)
The Planning Practice Guidance (PPG)

Approved Fareham Borough Core Strategy

CS17 - High Quality Design

Development Sites and Policies

DSP2 - Design

FS7 - Telecommunications

Fareham Borough Local Plan Review

DG4 - Site Characteristics

FS7 - Telecommunications

Relevant Planning History

The following planning history is relevant:

P/97/1222/PA **Erect 15 Metre Mast with Antennae and Equipment Cabin**
STAT UND PD 22/12/1997

P/00/1288/SU **Provision of Replacement Equipment Cabin and Ancillary Works**
PRIOR APPR NOT 28/11/2000
REQ'D

Representations

One letter of representation has been received raising the question when the changes will take place and what interruption of service would be experienced by users.

Planning Considerations - Key Issues

The proposal involves replacing the existing 17.5m monopole with another monopole the same height, including six antennas and two dishes with associated equipment.

Vodafone has recently entered into an agreement with Telefonica pursuant to which the two companies plan to jointly operate and manage a "single network grid" across the UK. The installation of the replacement equipment and associated equipment is to ensure that adequate 4G coverage is provided within this area.

Saved Policy FS7 of the Borough Local Plan Review permits telecommunications developments providing it is located such that it will have a minimal visual impact, sharing of facilities is explored by the applicant, landscape mitigation is provided when appropriate and that the equipment is removed and land restored when no longer needed.

This site is located in the middle of an industrial estate surrounded by industrial units with very limited views of the mast from outside the site. The mast is not changing in height but would be slightly wider at the top. It is considered that the surrounding buildings help to visually blend the equipment within this industrial location.

A certificate has been submitted with the application confirming that the installation would not exceed the ICNIRP (International Commission on Non-Ionising Radiation) for public exposure as expressed in EU recommendation of July 1999. The certificate takes into account the cumulative effect of the emissions from the proposed and all other radio base stations nearby.

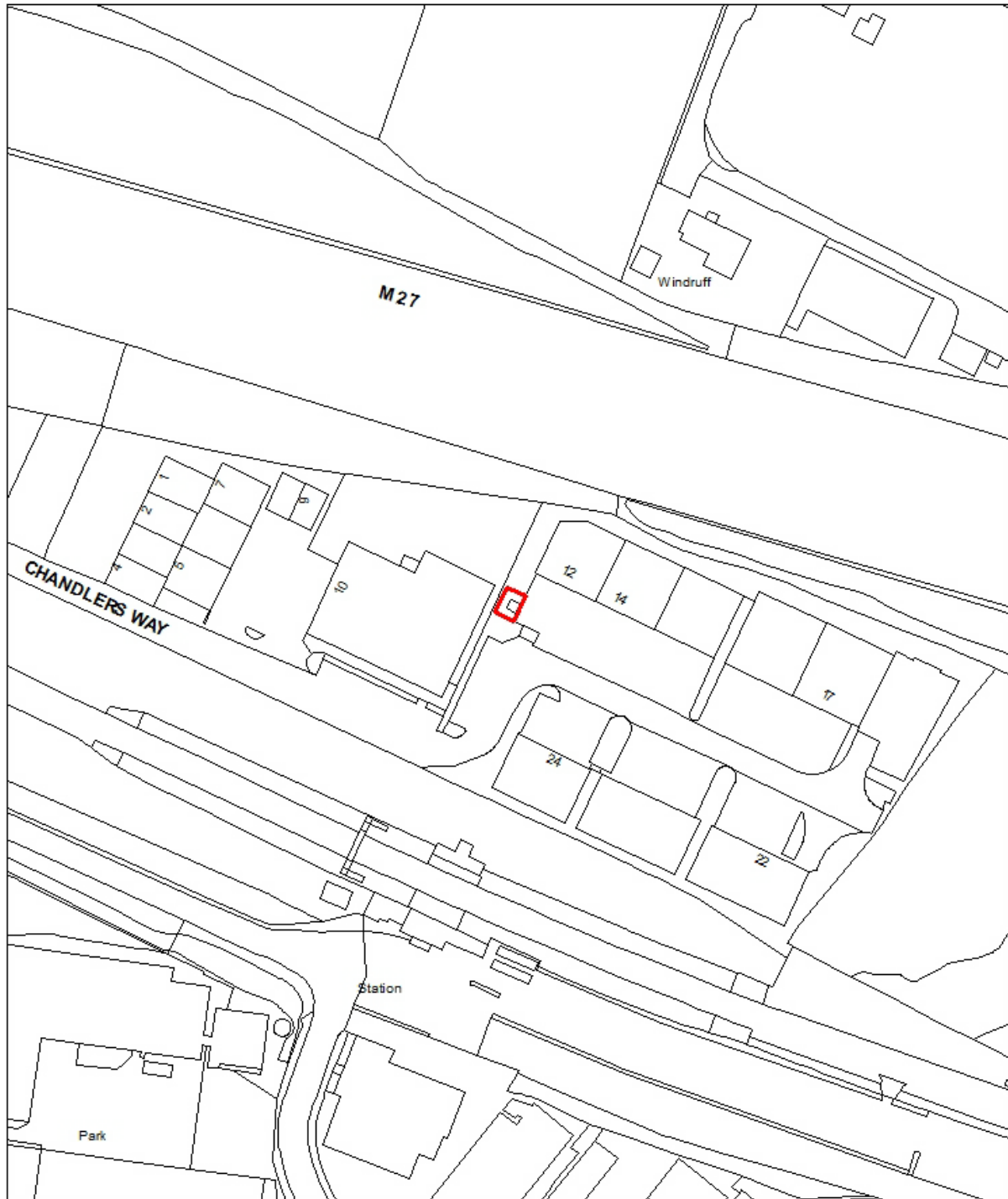
Officers consider in light of the size design, siting and proximity of the mast to residential properties the proposal would have a minimal visual impact and is therefore considered acceptable.

Recommendation

PRIOR APPROVAL NOT REQUIRED

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land Adjacent
Unit 12 Chandlers Way
Scale 1:1250

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