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TITCHFIELD COMMON

AGENT: CAIP LTD - MATTHEW
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REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING 12.5 METRE HIGH TELECOMS MONOPOLE WITH NEW 12.5 METRE HIGH MONOPOLE INCLUDING TWO 300MM TRANSMISSION DISHES AND INSTALLATION OF ONE ADDITIONAL TELECOMS EQUIPMENT CABINET

HUNTS POND ROAD/NETLEY ROAD TITCHFIELD PO14 4RH

Report By

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Site Description

The application site is located within a landscaped verge on the western side of Hunts Pond Road just south of the junction with Netley Road. The allotment gardens are located immediately to the east.

At the present time a 12.5 metre high monopole is positioned here with two cabinets in very close proximity to its north.

Description of Proposal

This application seeks confirmation that "Prior Approval is Not Required" for the replacement and installation of new telecommunications apparatus.

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 single monopole mast as described above. The existing mast is 12.5 metres tall.

This application proposes to erect a replacement mast, of the same height and in the same location with some very minor changes to its appearance.

The proposal also includes the installation of a third green coloured steel cabinet immediately along the existing two.

As a result of a joint operation agreement between Vodafone and Telefonica UK this site has been identified to support the antenna for both operators. As such Vodafone Limited, as the applicant, is seeking to effectively replace the existing mast and share the structure with Telefonica on this site. The new structure will also ensure that adequate 4G coverage is provided to this part of the Borough.

Policies

The following policies apply to this application:

Fareham Borough Local Plan Review

CS17 - High Quality Design

Development Sites and Policies

DSP2 - Design

DSP55 - Telecommunications

Fareham Borough Local Plan Review

DG4 - Site Characteristics

FS7 - Telecommunications

Relevant Planning History

The following planning history is relevant:

P/10/0628/SU **REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING 12 METRE COLUMN WITH NEW 12.5 METRE DUAL USER STREET POLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS COLUMN AND ADDITIONAL CABINET**

PRIOR APPR NOT 26/08/2010

REQ'D

P/06/0673/SU **Installation of 12 Metre Telecommunication Mast, 1 No Equipment Cabinet and Ancillary Works**

PRIOR APPR NOT 13/07/2006

REQ'D

Representations

None

Planning Considerations - Key Issues

The key considerations for consideration are:

- Siting
- Appearance
- Other matters

SITING

As described above, Part 24 of the General Permitted Development Order only allows this Authority to consider 'siting' and 'appearance'.

In this case the proposed mast is in the same location as an existing mast. As such the siting of communications equipment in this location has already been established.

The new cabinet immediately adjoins existing cabinets and is located alongside the mesh fence surrounding the allotment gardens.

Officers consider the siting of the mast and the new cabinet acceptable.

APPEARANCE:

The existing mast is in the same location and is the same height as that proposed. The

changes to its external appearance are modest and include two transmission dishes (which resemble small satellite dishes) at a height of 7.5 metres above ground level.

The additional cabinet would be slightly lower in height and slightly narrower than those already existing at the site.

Officers consider the appearance of the new mast and cabinet to be acceptable

Conclusion

The mast proposed differs marginally from that already erected at the site. The additional cabinet would not cause harm to the area as a result of its siting or appearance

Recommendation

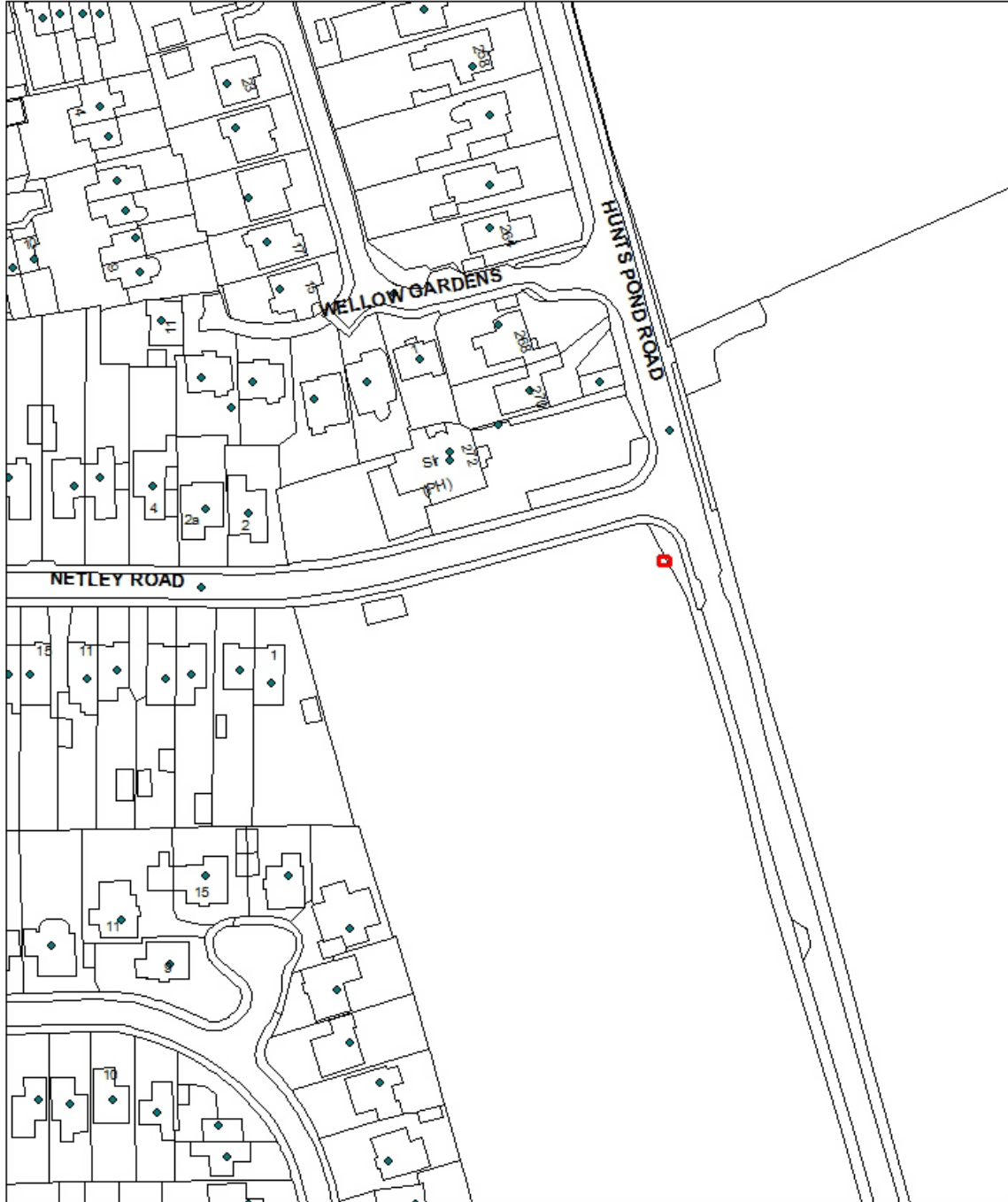
PRIOR APPROVAL NOT REQUIRED

Background Papers

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HUNTS POND ROAD/
NETLEY ROAD
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