



DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE

Date: 17th July 2007

Report of Head of Planning and Building Control- Regeneration

Telecommunications installation, Darlington Street, Darlaston

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

To update Members regarding negotiations over the appearance of the mast, following the report to your Committee on 31st May 2007.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

That Members note the contents of the report

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None arising from the report. If enforcement action is taken, there could be costs implications if there is a subsequent appeal.

4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The previous report set out the relevant policy issues.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

None arising from the report.

6.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IMPLICATIONS

None arising directly from this report.

7.0 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

This was assessed in detail in the previous report.

8.0 WARD(S) AFFECTED

Darlaston South

9.0 CONSULTEEs

None

10.0 CONTACT OFFICER

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11.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

Applications previously published. Current investigation file.

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12 BACKGROUND AND REPORT DETAIL

- 12.1 The report to the meeting on 31st May 2007 concerned the installation of additional antennae on an authorised telecommunications mast, together with additional supporting equipment in the base compound.
- 12.2 Members resolved that Officers endeavour to negotiate with Vodaphone to move the mast or to make the mast less visually obtrusive to local residents and the street scene, and report back on the outcome, with at least an update report by 17th July.
- 12.3 The additional antennae on the mast, for Orange and T-mobile, are located below the original Vodaphone antennae, creating a lower tier which is as wide as the original. Some options, including alterations to the additional antennae, have been put to the agents for Vodaphone. At the time of writing they are still considering the situation.
- 12.4 It is hoped that further response will be available for the meeting, in which case officers will make a supplementary report.