

Hamish Evans

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 12 December 2025 10:04
To: Hamish Evans
Subject: Re: Planning Application Ref. DM/25/1495

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to lodge a formal objection to planning application **DM/25/1495**.

My objection relates specifically to **health concerns arising from the proposed installation of equipment emitting radiofrequency (RF) electromagnetic fields**, and the implications for individuals with **metallic implants**.

I sustained a serious fracture in 2019 that required surgical fixation, and I now have permanent **metalwork in my arm**. While the applicant states that the development will comply with **ICNIRP guidelines**, those guidelines are written for the general public and do **not provide detailed consideration of how RF fields may interact with metallic surgical implants**. Published technical discussions on RF exposure note that the presence of conductive implants can alter local absorption patterns, potentially creating localised “hot spots” under certain conditions. Although ICNIRP limits are intended to offer broad protection, the guidelines do not give specific criteria, modelling, or risk assessment procedures for people with internal metalwork.

As a result, there is no clear reassurance in the applicant’s submission that the effects of RF exposure on individuals with metallic implants have been assessed, nor is there any evidence of site-specific modelling accounting for vulnerable or atypical cases such as mine.

Given the permanent nature of my implant, I am understandably concerned that the development could pose a greater health risk to me than to the general population. Until there is **robust, independent evidence** that people with metal implants have been explicitly taken into account, the proposal cannot be said to demonstrate compliance with **NPPF paragraphs on safeguarding public health**, nor with the requirement for applicants to show that risks have been properly assessed and mitigated.

I therefore request that this application be **refused** unless and until:

1. A detailed, independent assessment is provided on RF exposure in relation to metallic surgical implants;
2. Site-specific modelling is undertaken to show that exposure levels remain safe for individuals with implants at all publicly accessible locations;
3. The applicant demonstrates clearly and transparently how vulnerable groups are protected.

Thank you for considering my objection.

Yours faithfully,

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Sent from my iPhone