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Subject: Planning application DM/25/0589 - 5G Telecommunications Mast - Burgess Hill

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I wish to object to the proposed planning application for the following reasons:

- The proposed telecommunications mast will be an eyesore being 100 feet/30 metres tall (!) and the site is on open grassland, to the west of the railway line, next to a popular footpath which runs parallel to the railway. The area is enjoyed regularly by locals walking their dogs.
- A well developed, built up, residential area, surrounds the site.
- Despite trees surrounding the proposed site, they will only provide some “screening” at the lower levels.
- Telecoms installations are overbearing and unnerving. For many people, they cause anxiety and stress.
- The impact of this proposal on the health and well-being of residents is a material planning consideration, which includes the fear and anxiety of harm.
- Also of concern are the schools (approx. distances) - Manor Field Primary School (300m), Little Exploreers Nursery and Pre-school (240m), Platform 3 Pre-school (260m).
- Children are deemed “sensitive receptors” at school, and this should apply at home too. Elderly individuals are also vulnerable.
- The 8 real-life 5G case studies which show serious harm to those who live/work close to 5G masts. This is a public safety issue.
- International Commission on Non-Ionising Radiation Protection (ICNIRP) guidelines (2020) specifically exclude those individuals with a metal implant or an active medical device. The Guidelines state that people with "implantable medical devices" and "metallic implants" in the body are "outside the scope of these guidelines". (Examples: pacemakers, cochlear implants, dental implants etc.)
<https://www.icnirp.org/en/applications/5g/index.html>
- There has been a dramatic decline in both volume and species type of insects due to the effects of EMFs. How does this affect the council’s Biodiversity Net Gain plans?
- Could trees be damaged during ground work? They could be harmed by radiation longer term.
- Sustainability and Environmental implications: Is this a sustainable technology? Does the council have an Environmental Impact Assessment for this or any mast? 5G is energy hungry.

Kind regards

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