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To: "Catherine Cardin" <Catherine.Cardin@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
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Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 10/03/2026 4:01 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land North Of 1 Burdocks Drive Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 0HJ
Proposal:	Proposed installation of a 17.5m monopole supporting 6 no. antennas, 2 no. 300mm transmission dishes, 3 no. equipment cabinets and ancillary development there to including 3 no. Remote Radio Heads (RRHs).
Case Officer:	Catherine Cardin

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Customer Details

Address:	65 Burdocks Drive Burgess Hill
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	Dear Planning Committee, I strongly object to the proposed application to build a 17.5m high monopole in a quiet residential area of Burgess Hill. Kingsway is the heart of eastern Burgess Hill. Residents from all-over Burgess Hill use Kingsway as a through-road and it serves the nearby estates such as The Croft, Kings Weald, Burdocks Drive, The

Warren, and Rolfe Drive. Birchwood Grove Primary School, Woodlands Mead College, and The Holt Park, are all within close proximity to the proposed development. In addition to the hundreds of cars that use Kingsway daily, the area is well travelled on foot by children and families accessing these locations.

The proposal to build a 17.5 high mono-pole within such close proximity to all of these local estates is of significant concern. The height of this proposal is completely out of character to the surrounding area and would dominate residents. 17.5 metres is comparable to a 6-storey residential building. Cornerstone propose placing this equivalent in a quiet suburban area of Burgess Hill. The structure would overshadow adjacent trees and properties, located less than 10 metres away from the site. The development is directly overlooked by at least 11 properties, but the impact of the structure would be felt by hundreds of homes in nearby estates.

I am disappointed that the 'notification to neighbours' letter was sent to just 12 properties immediately adjacent to the site. The height of the structure means that the impact will be felt from much further away, including those attending nearby schools and green spaces. The minimum legal duty to consult may have been discharged, but I do not think it is fair to say that there has been a meaningful local consultation on these plans with such a far-reaching impact.

I accept the need to continuously develop local infrastructure, however doing so with a domineering structure so out of character in terms of scale, appearance and function, is not appropriate. Existing nearby sites already exist. The Burgess Hill Water Tower is less than 1.5 km away, and already discretely houses numerous communications masts.

Cornerstone state that their proposal is the most appropriate site and balances their needs with that of the community. However, I cannot believe that their proposal has fully considered the change in appearance a 17.5 metre structure will bring to a residential area.

I urge the committee to reject these proposals. Thank you for your consideration.

Kind regards