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Dear Sir/Madam,

PROPOSED BASE STATION UPGRADE AT Existing telecommunications base station at Sullington, Angell Sands, Storrington, Pulborough, West Sussex, RH20 4FL (NGR E: 509924 N: 113948)

Cornerstone is the UK's leading mobile infrastructure services company. We acquire, manage and own over 20,000 sites and are committed to enabling best in class mobile connectivity for over half of all the country's mobile customers. We oversee works on behalf of telecommunications providers and wherever possible aim to:

- promote shared infrastructure
- maximise opportunities to consolidate the number of base stations
- significantly reduce the environmental impact of network development

Cornerstone are in the process of progressing suitable sites in the local area for radio base stations that will improve service provision for Virgin Media O2 (O2). We aim to work with you to progress a proposal that is both acceptable to your authority and meets our customer's technical network requirements. This approach accords with Cornerstone's Best Practice Commitments to ensure consultation with Local Planning Authorities and other appropriate key stakeholders.

As part of O2's continued network improvement program, there is a specific requirement for a radio base station at this location to provide improved network coverage including 5G.

Mobiles can only work with a network of base stations in place where people want to use their mobile phones or other wireless devices. Without base stations, the mobile phones and other devices we rely on simply won't work.

This letter therefore invites the Local Planning Authority, in accordance with planning policy guidance and Best Practice Commitments, to enter into pre-application discussions with regard to our preferred site option prior to a formal planning submission. Several steps in the site identification process have already been undertaken. The Local Planning Authority mast

register and our records of other potential sites have been reviewed, the policies in the Development Plan have been taken into account and we have examined the inter-operator site sharing database.

Our technical network requirement is as follows:

- *Cornerstone 11185729 Sullington*
- *To provide upgraded network coverage and capacity for O2, including 5G coverage*

We consider the best solution is as follows:

Existing telecommunications base station at Existing telecommunications base station at Sullington, Angell Sands, Storrington, Pulborough, West Sussex, RH20 4FL (NGR E: 509924 N: 113948)

Description of Development: The upgrade of the existing telecommunications base station comprising the removal of 3 no. antennas and replacement with 6 no. antennas, removal of 9 no. radio units and replacement with 18 no. radio units and ancillary works (upgraded radio equipment to be housed within the existing equipment cabin)

Utilising the existing base station site for this upgrade is considered to be the preferred and logical option for minimising visual impact. As a consequence no alternative site options have been considered and discounted.

We look forward to receiving your comments on the preferred option identified above and alternatives discounted. We would also like to take this opportunity to extend an invitation to meet with you to discuss the proposal and undertake a tour of the options considered, should you consider this to be beneficial.

All Cornerstone installations are designed to be fully compliant with the public exposure guidelines established by the International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection (ICNIRP). These guidelines have the support of UK Government, the European Union and they also have the formal backing of the World Health Organisation. A certificate of ICNIRP compliance will be included within the planning submission.

We would be grateful if you could advise us of any pending telecommunications applications or recent planning decisions in this particular area so these can be evaluated.

Finally, we would be interested in any local stakeholders or groups that you consider would like to know more about our proposals.

We enclose a copy of our Consultation Plan and welcome your suggestions.

We look forward to receiving your response within 14 days of the date of this letter.

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Should you have any queries regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me (quoting cell number 11185729)

Yours faithfully

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(for and on behalf of Cornerstone)

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