

Substantive response of the Local Highway Authority to a planning consultation received under The Development Management Order.



Response provided under the delegated authority of the Director of Environment & Transport.

APPLICATION DETAILS

Planning Application Number: 24/00689/TGDO

Highway Reference Number: 2024/0689/04/H

Application Address: Roundabout At The Junction Of Sketchley Road And Rugby Road Burbage Leicestershire

Application Type: Telecommunications

Description of Application: Installation of base Station, 20.00m pole with 6 Antennas, 2 300mm dishes, 2 Cabinets and associated ancillary works.

GENERAL DETAILS

Planning Case Officer: Stephen Sarfo

Applicant: Cornerstone

County Councillor: Cllr Barry Walker

Parish: Burbage

Road Classification: Class B

Substantive Response provided in accordance with the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) - Schedule 2, Part 16, Class A:

The Local Highway Authority Advice is that, in its view, the impacts of the development on highway safety would not be unacceptable, and when considered cumulatively with other developments, the impacts on the road network would not be severe. Based on the information provided, the development therefore does not conflict with paragraph 115 of the National Planning Policy Framework (December 2023).

Advice to Local Planning Authority

Background

The Local Highway Authority (LHA) has been consulted by the Local Planning Authority (LPA), Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council (HBBC), on a planning application which seeks the:

'Installation of base Station, 20.00m pole with 6 Antennas, 2 300mm dishes, 2 Cabinets and associated ancillary works.'

The proposals are on land adjacent to the roundabout at the junction of Sketchley Road / Rugby Road, Burbage, Leicestershire.

The Applicant has provided the following documents in support of the application:

- Site Location Maps; and
- Proposed Site Plan, drawing number 201 Rev A.

Proposals

The LHA have reviewed the drawing 'Proposed Site Plan', drawing number 201 Rev A. The proposed site is within the grass verge adjacent to Rugby Road (B4109) on the west, and a 2.7m wide joint footway / cycleway to the east. It is noted that the grass verge is separated from the joint footway / cycleway by a 1m high metal railing.

The LHA have reviewed the submitted documents and can confirm that the proposals would not affect the visibility splay for vehicles egressing Sketchley Road onto Rugby Road (B4109). This is due to the fact that vehicles would only approach Sketchley Road from a northern direction due to the roundabout, and the telecommunication equipment being sited on the southern extent of Sketchley Road.

Furthermore, the LHA does not consider the proposed works would have any implications for vehicles, pedestrians or cyclists the highway / footway during maintenance.

As such, the LHA does not believe the proposals would result in a material increase or a material change in the character of traffic in the vicinity of the site, or would create any highway safety issues and would not seek to resist the application on highway grounds.

However, the LHA would draw the Applicants attention to the fact that the proposals are adjacent to a highly trafficked B road (B4109) which may have implications on the construction and delivery of the proposals. It may be that a 'Temporary Traffic Regulation Order (TTRO)' in the form of either temporary traffic lights or road closure may need to be implemented during the installation of the telecommunications equipment. This could also have implications for bus routes which may need to be mitigated.

As such, no works should be undertaken until the Applicant has contacted Leicestershire County Council's Network Management team via networkmanagement@leics.gov.uk in order to establish how the Applicant can deliver the proposals in a manner that is safe for vehicles, pedestrians and cyclists.

The lead in time for a TTRO is approximately 12 weeks, and the permit forms and guidelines can be found here; <https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/road-maintenance/highways-permits-and-licences>

Informative

Planning Permission does not give you approval to work on the public highway. Therefore, prior to carrying out any works on the public highway you must ensure all necessary licences/permits/agreements are in place. For further information, please telephone 0116 305 0001. It is an offence under Section 148 and Section 151 of the Highways Act 1980 to deposit mud on the public highway and therefore you should take every effort to prevent this occurring.

Date Received
16 July 2024

Case Officer
Neal Chantrill

Reviewer
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Date issued
2 August 2024