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My Ref: BMS/Apps/Waldon/AW/32404

6 June 2002

Dear Sirs,

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 – SECTION 78  
APPEAL BY O<sub>2</sub> (UK) LIMITED (formerly BT Cellnet Ltd)**

On behalf of O<sub>2</sub> (UK) Limited (formerly known as BT Cellnet Limited) please find enclosed a formal appeal against the decision of the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea to refuse planning permission for a telecommunications development at 9 Wilbraham Place, Belgravia, London SW1X 9AE.

If you have any queries concerning this appeal or if you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

I can confirm that a copy of the appeal submission has been sent directly to the Local Planning Authority.

Yours faithfully,

Ben Stansfield  
For and on behalf of O<sub>2</sub> (UK) Limited  
Tel: 01276 605016  
E-mail: ben.stansfield@marconi.com

CC O<sub>2</sub> (UK) Ltd

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# PLANNING APPEAL FORM

If you need this document in large print, on audio tape, in Braille or in another language, please contact our diversity helpline on 0117 372 8939.

**Please use a separate form for each appeal**

Your appeal and essential supporting documents must reach the Inspectorate within 6 months of the date shown on the Local Planning Authority's decision notice (or, for 'failure' appeals, within 6 months of the date by which they should have decided the application).

Before completing this form, please read our booklet 'Making your planning appeal' which was sent to you with this form.

**WARNING:** If any of the 'Essential supporting documents' listed in Section J are not received by us within the 6 month period, the appeal will not be accepted.

### A. APPELLANT DETAILS

The name of the person(s) making the appeal must be the same as on the planning application form.

Name O2 (UK) Limited (Formerly called BT Cellnet Limited)

Address 1 Brunel Way

Daytime phone no 01753 564716

Slough

Fax no 01753 564062

Postcode SL1 1XL

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

### B. AGENT DETAILS (if any)

Name APT Marconi

Address Dolphin House

Your reference BMS/Apps/Waldon/AW/32404

Albany Park, Camberley

Daytime phone no 01276 605016

Surrey

Fax no 01276 683781

Postcode GU16 7QH

E-mail address ben.stansfield@marconi.com

### C. LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY (LPA) DETAILS

Name of the LPA RB of Kensington & Chelsea

LPA's application reference no PP/02/00439/mnw

Date of the planning application 21.02.02

Date of LPA's decision notice (if issued) 19.04.02

#### D. APPEAL SITE ADDRESS

Address 9 Wilbraham Place, Belgravia, London

Postcode SW1X 9AE

If the whole site can be seen from a road or other public land and there is no need for the Inspector to enter the site e.g. to take measurements or to enter a building, please tick the box. ☐

#### E. DESCRIPTION OF THE DEVELOPMENT

(This must be the same as on the application sent to the LPA, unless minor amendments were agreed with the LPA)

Telecommunication Base Station Consisting of: 6 nos tripod mounted antennas, 2 tripods,  
3 Nokia Ultrasite outdoor cabinets, 2 Nortel BTs outdoor cabinets and one external Diplexer  
cabinet, along with associated feeders and ancillary development.

Size of the whole appeal site (in hectares)

Approx 0.002

Area of floor space of proposed development (in square metres)

Approx. 20 square metres

#### F. REASON FOR THE APPEAL

This appeal is against the decision of the LPA to:

Please tick **one** box only

1. Refuse planning permission for the development described in Section E. ☒
2. Grant planning permission for the development subject to conditions to which you object. ☐
3. Refuse approval of details required by a previous outline planning permission. ☐
4. Grant approval of details required by a previous outline planning permission subject to conditions to which you object. ☐
5. Refuse to approve any matter required by a condition on a previous planning permission (other than those in 3 or 4 above). ☐
- or
6. The failure of the LPA to give notice of its decision within the appropriate period (usually 8 weeks) of an application for permission or approval. ☐

## G. CHOICE OF PROCEDURE

### CHOOSE ONE PROCEDURE ONLY

Appeals dealt with by written representations are usually decided more quickly than by the hearing or inquiry methods. It is important that you read our booklet 'Making your planning appeal' about the various procedures used to determine planning appeals.

Please note that when we decide how the appeal will proceed, we take into account the LPA's views

Please tick **one** box only ✓

#### 1. WRITTEN REPRESENTATIONS ☒

The written procedure involves an exchange of written statements followed by a site visit by the Inspector. The grounds of appeal should make up your full case.

#### 2. HEARING ☐

A hearing is a discussion of the appeal proposals. The Inspector leads the discussion. Hearings give everyone concerned the chance to give their views in a more relaxed and informal atmosphere than at a public inquiry. Hearings have many advantages, but they are not suitable for appeals that:

- are complicated or controversial;
- have caused a lot of local interest;
- involve cross-examination (questioning) of witnesses.

Although you may prefer a hearing, the Inspectorate must consider your appeal suitable for this procedure. Hearings are open to the public.

#### 3. INQUIRY ☐

This is the most formal of the procedures, because it usually involves larger or more complicated appeals. These are often cases where expert evidence is presented, and witnesses are cross-examined. An inquiry may last for several days, or even weeks. It is not a court of law, but the proceedings will often seem to be quite similar and the appellant and LPA usually have legal representatives. Inquiries are open to members of the public.

An inquiry is held if you or the LPA decide that you cannot rely on the written procedure and a site visit, and we have decided that a hearing is unsuitable. Sometimes we decide that an inquiry is necessary. If we do, you will be given reasons for our decision.

## H. GROUNDS OF APPEAL

If you have requested the written procedure, your **FULL** grounds of appeal must be made. otherwise we will return the appeal form.

If you have requested a hearing or an inquiry, please provide a brief outline of your grounds.

Refer to our booklet 'Making your planning appeal' for help.

Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary.

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PLEASE REFER TO THE ATTACHED SUPPORTING STATEMENT

H. GROUNDS OF APPEAL (continued)

PLEASE REFER TO THE ATTACHED SUPPORTING STATEMENT

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## I. APPEAL SITE OWNERSHIP DETAILS

We need to know who owns the appeal site. If you do not own the appeal site or if you own only a part of it, we need to know the name(s) of the owner(s) or part owner(s). We also need to be sure that any other owner knows that you have made an appeal. **YOU MUST TICK WHICH OF THE CERTIFICATES APPLIES.** Please read the enclosed *Guidance Notes* if in doubt.

If you are the sole owner of the whole appeal site, Certificate A will apply: Please tick **one** box only ☒

### CERTIFICATE A ☐

I certify that, on the day 21 days before the date of this appeal, nobody, except the appellant, was the owner (see Note (i) of the *Guidance Notes* for a definition) of any part of the land to which the appeal relates:

OR

### CERTIFICATE B ☒

I certify that the appellant (or the agent) has given the requisite notice to everyone else who, on the day 21 days before the date of this appeal, was the owner (see Note (i) of the *Guidance Notes* for a definition) of any part of the land to which the appeal relates, as listed below:

Owner's name	Address at which the notice was served	Date the notice was served
Boreas Investments Ltd	6 Sloane Street, London	20.02.2002
C/O Marcer & Marcer	SW1X 9LF	

### CERTIFICATES C and D ☐

If you do not know who owns all or part of the appeal site, complete either Certificate C or Certificate D enclosed with the accompanying *Guidance Notes* and attach it to the appeal form.

## AGRICULTURAL HOLDINGS CERTIFICATE (This has to be completed for all appeals)

We also need to know whether the appeal site forms part of an agricultural holding. Please tick either (a) or (b) **If the appellant is the sole agricultural tenant, (b) should be ticked and 'not applicable' should be written under 'Tenant's name'.**

(a) None of the land to which the appeal relates is, or is part of, an agricultural holding; ☒

OR

(b) The appeal site is, or is part of, an agricultural holding and the appellant (or the agent) has given the requisite notice to every person (other than the appellant) who, on the day 21 days before the date of the appeal, was a tenant of an agricultural holding on all or part of the land to which the appeal relates, as listed below: ☐

Tenant's name	Address at which the notice was served	Date the notice was served

## J. ESSENTIAL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

The documents listed in 1–6 below, must be sent with your appeal form; 7–10 must also be sent if appropriate. If we do not receive all your appeal documents by the end of the 6 month appeal period, we will not deal with it. Please tick the boxes to show which documents you are enclosing.

1. A copy of the original **planning application** sent to the LPA. ☒
2. A copy of the **site ownership certificate and ownership details** submitted to the LPA **at application stage** (this is usually part of the LPA's planning application form). ☒
3. A copy of the **LPA's decision notice** (if issued). ☒
4. A **plan showing the site outlined in red**, including two roads clearly named (preferably on a copy of a 1:10,000 Ordnance Survey map). ☒
5. A list and copies of all **plans, drawings and documents** sent to the LPA as part of the application. ☒
6. A list and copies of any **additional plans, drawings and documents** sent to the LPA but which did not form part of the original application (eg drawings for illustrative purposes). ☒

**Copies of the following must also be sent, if appropriate:**

7. **Additional plans or drawings** relating to the application but not previously seen by the LPA. ☐  
Please number them clearly and list the numbers here:  
  

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8. Any relevant **correspondence** with the LPA. ☒
9. If the appeal is against the LPA's refusal or failure to grant permission for 'details' imposed on a grant of outline permission, please enclose:
  - (a) the relevant outline application; ☐
  - (b) all plans sent at outline application stage; ☐
  - (c) the original outline planning permission. ☐
10. If the appeal is against the LPA's refusal or failure to decide an application which relates to a **condition**, we must have a copy of the original permission with the condition attached. ☐
11. A copy of any Environmental Statement plus certificates and notices relating to publicity (if one was sent with the application, or required by the LPA). ☐
12. If you have sent other appeals for this or nearby sites to us and these have not been decided, please give details and our reference numbers. ☒

**An appeal against the refusal of Listed Building consent submitted at same time as**

**this appeal. LPA ref: LB/02/00440/clba**

**PLEASE TURN OVER AND SIGN THE FORM - UNSIGNED FORMS WILL BE RETURNED**

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## K. PLEASE SIGN BELOW

(Signed forms together with all supporting documents must be received by us within the 6 month time limit)

1. I confirm that I have sent a copy of this appeal form and relevant documents to the LPA (if you do not, your appeal will not normally be accepted).
2. I confirm that all sections have been fully completed and that the details of the ownership (section I) are correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature B. Stansfield (on behalf of) O2 (UK) LIMITED

Name (in capitals) BEN STANSFIELD (APT MARCONI) Date 6 June 2002

The Planning Inspectorate is registered under the Data Protection Act to hold personal data supplied by you.

### NOW SEND:

#### • 1 COPY to us at:

The Planning Inspectorate  
Customer Support Unit  
Temple Quay House  
2 The Square  
Temple Quay  
BRISTOL  
BS1 6PN

We do not currently accept  
appeals by e-mail or fax.

#### • 1 COPY to the LPA

Send a copy of the appeal form to the address from which the decision notice was sent (or to the address shown on any letters received from the LPA). There is no need to send them all the documents again, send them any supporting documents not previously sent as part of the application. If you do not send them a copy of this form and documents, we may not accept your appeal.

#### • 1 COPY for you to keep

When we receive your appeal form, we will:

- 1) Tell you if it is valid and who is dealing with it.
- 2) Tell you and the LPA the procedure for your appeal.
- 3) Tell you the timetable for us receiving further information or representations.

#### YOU MUST KEEP TO THE TIMETABLE

If information or representations are received late we may disregard them. They will not be seen by the Inspector but will be sent back to you.

- 4) Tell you about the arrangements for the site visit, hearing or inquiry.

At the end of the appeal process, the Inspector will give the decision, and the reasons for it, in writing.

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NEW APPEAL

DATE: 10-6-02

TO: DEREK TAYLOR

PAUL KELSEY

JOHN THORNE

BRUCE COEY

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A NEW APPEAL HAS BEEN RECEIVED, WHICH FALLS IN YOUR AREA -  
FILE(S) ATTACHED. THE SITE ADDRESS IS:

9 WILBRAHAM PLACE, SWIX

1. PLEASE INDICATE THE OFFICER WHO WILL BE DEALING  
WITH THIS APPEAL:

Anne Salman

2. PLEASE INDICATE THE PROCEDURE BY WHICH YOU WISH THE  
APPEAL TO BE DETERMINED:

☒ WRITTEN REPRESENTATIONS

☐ HEARING

☐ PUBLIC INQUIRY

N.B. The appellant has requested Written Reps / a Hearing / an Inquiry. The appellant has the right to be heard. If the appellant wants a Hearing and you choose Written Reps, this may result in an Inquiry. If the appellant requests an Inquiry and you would prefer a Hearing, a letter outlining reasons why will normally be required.

3. YOU ARE REMINDED TO ORDER LAND USE MAPS AS APPROPRIATE  
AT THIS STAGE

PLEASE RETURN THIS SHEET AND THE ATTACHED FILE(S) TO THE  
APPEALS SECTION WITHIN 24 HOURS

THANK YOU

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## APPEALS TIMETABLE

### ADMINISTRATION

Initials

Time  
Hours

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LAWJ

- (1) Notification of appeal to third parties
- (2) Pre Statement Inquiry/hearing
- (3) Preparation of Statement and Documentation
- (4) Notification of appeal decision

### CASE OFFICER

- (1) Preparation
  - (2) Meeting
- Legal  
Counsel  
Transportation  
Design  
Policy  
BEHO  
Other Parties

- (3) Statement
- (4) Public Inquiry/Local Hearing

#### Policy

Preparation  
Meetings  
Statement if applicable

#### Design

Preparation  
Meetings  
Statement if applicable

#### Transportation

Preparation  
Meetings  
Statement if applicable



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Ms R Gill (Dept Of Planning & Conservation)  
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Hornton Street  
London  
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Your Ref: PP/02/00439/MNW  
Our Ref: APP/K5600/A/02/1092452  
Date: 20 June 2002

Dear Madam

**TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990  
APPEAL BY O2 (UK) LIMITED  
SITE AT 9 WILBRAHAM PLACE, LONDON, SW1X 9AE**

I have received an appeal form and accompanying documents for this site. I am the case officer. If you have any questions please contact me. Apart from the questionnaire, please always send **2 copies** of all further correspondence, giving the full appeal reference number which is shown at the top of this letter.

I have checked the papers and confirm that the appeal is valid. If it appears at a later stage, following further information, that this may not be the case, I will write to you again.

The appellant has requested the written procedure. Unless you tell me otherwise, I will assume that you do not want an inquiry. The date of this letter is the **starting date** for the appeal.

You must submit the following documents within this timetable:

**Within 2 weeks from the starting date -**

You must notify any statutory parties and any other interested persons who made representations to you about the application, that the appeal has been made. You should tell them that:-

- i) any comments they made at application stage will be sent to me and if they want to make any additional comments, wherever possible, they must submit 3 copies within **6 weeks of the starting date**. If representations are submitted after the deadline, they will not normally be seen by the Inspector and they will be returned.
- ii) they can get a copy of our booklet 'Guide to taking part in planning appeals' free of charge from you, and
- iii) if they want to receive a copy of the appeal decision they must write to me asking for one.

**You** must submit a copy of a completed appeal questionnaire with copies of all necessary supporting documents, to the appellant and me. It is essential that details of all the relevant development plan policies are included with it at this early stage.

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**Within 6 weeks from the starting date -**

**You** must submit 2 copies of your statement to me if the appeal questionnaire does not comprise the full details of your case. The appellant must submit 2 copies of any statement to me if it proves necessary to add to the full details of the case made in the grounds of appeal. I will send a copy of your statement to the appellant and send you a copy of their statement. Please keep your statement concise, *as recommended in Annex 1(i) of DETR Circular 05/2000*. Please also include a list of any conditions or limitations you would agree to, if the appeal were to be allowed. I will send you and the appellant a copy of any comments submitted by interested parties.

**Within 9 weeks from the starting date -**

**You** and the appellant must submit 2 copies of any final comments on each other's statement and on any comments on any representations from interested parties to me. Your final comments must not be submitted in place of, or to add to, your 6 week statement and no new evidence is allowed. I will forward the appellant's final comments to you at the appropriate time.

**Site visit arrangements**

We will arrange for our Inspector to visit the appeal site and we will send you the details. Our aim is to arrange the visit within 12 weeks of the **starting date**, but from time to time it may take us a little longer.

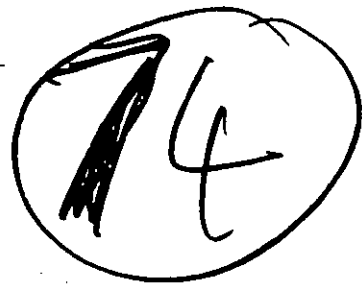
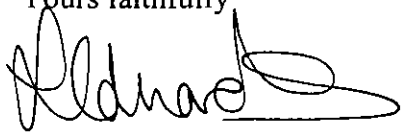
You **must keep to the timetable** set out above and ensure your representations are submitted within the deadlines. If not, your representations will not normally be seen by the Inspector and they will be returned to you. Inspectors will not accept representations at the site visit, nor will they delay the issue of their decision to wait for them. As I have given details of the timetable, I will not send you reminders.

**Planning obligations - Section 106 agreements**

A planning obligation, often referred to as a 'section 106 agreement', is either a legal agreement made between the LPA and a person 'interested in the land', or a legally binding undertaking signed unilaterally by a person 'interested in the land'.

If you intend to rely on an obligation, you must submit a completed, signed and dated copy **before** the date of the site visit. An Inspector will not normally delay the issue of a decision to wait for the completion of an obligation.

Yours faithfully



PP Mr Dave Shorland

102(BPR)



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Date: 01 July 2002

My Ref: DPS/DCSE/PP/02/00439

DTLR's Reference: App/K5600/A/02/1092452

Please ask for: Ms.A. Salmon

Dear Sir/Madam,

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990**

**Notice of a Planning Appeal relating to: 9 Wilbraham Place, London, SW1X9AE**

A Planning Appeal has been made by BT Cellnet, to the Planning Inspectorate in respect of the above property. This appeal is against the Council's decision to refuse planning permission for: Erection of a telecommunication base station consisting of 6 no. tripod-mounted antennae, 2 tripods, 3 Nokia Ultrasite outdoor cabinets, 2 Nortel BTs outdoor cabinets and one external Diplexer cabinet, along with associated feeders and ancillary development.. This appeal will proceed by way of **WRITTEN REPRESENTATIONS**. Any representations you wish to make should be sent to:

**The Planning Inspectorate, Room 3/07 Kite Wing, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN**

Please send 3 copies and quote the DTLR's reference given above. **The Inspectorate must receive your representations by 01/08/2002 for them to be taken into account.** (Representations made in respect of the planning application have already been copied to the Inspectorate, and these will be considered when determining the appeal unless they are withdrawn before 01/08/2002). Correspondence will only be acknowledged on request. Any representations will be copied to **all** parties including the Inspector dealing with the appeal and the Appellant. Please note that the Inspectorate will only forward a copy of the Inspector's decision letter to those who request one.

I attach a copy of the Council's reasons for refusal and the Appellant's grounds of appeal. The Appellant's and Council's written statements may be inspected in the Planning Information Office after 01/08/2002 **(please telephone ahead in order to ensure that these are available)**. If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact the case officer on the above extension.

Yours faithfully

**M.J. FRENCH**

Executive Director, Planning and Conservation

## NOTICE OF A PLANNING APPEAL

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### Reasons for Refusal

1. The proposed telecommunications equipment, by virtue of its bulk and height and prominent position on a highly visible roof would result in significant harm to the special architectural character of the listed building and to the character and appearance of the conservation area contrary to the Council's policies as set out in the Conservation and Development chapter of the Unitary Development Plan, in particular policies CD25, CD44, CD52, CD53 and CD58.

### Property

9 Wilbraham Place, London, SW1X9AE

### Proposal

Erection of a telecommunication base station consisting of 6 no. tripod-mounted antennae, 2 tripods, 3 Nokia Ultrasite outdoor cabinets, 2 Nortel BTs outdoor cabinets and one external Diplexer cabinet, along with associated feeders and ancillary development.

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Plans and drawings are/are not available for inspection.

(If plans are available, these may be seen in the Planning Information Office between the hours of 9.15 a.m and 4.30 p.m Mondays to Thursdays and between 9.15 a.m and 4.00 p.m on Fridays)

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## 2.0 THE GROUNDS OF APPEAL

2.1 In summary, the appellants grounds of appeal are that the erection of 6 tripod-mounted antennae, 2 tripods, 6 outdoor cabinets, associated feeders and development ancillary thereto, on the roof at 9 Wilbraham Place, as shown on the drawings contained within the full planning submission, attached at **Appendix 2**, is acceptable for the following reasons:

2.1.1 Need for the development. There is a justifiable need for the proposed telecommunications development, which the Local Planning Authority, in its decision, has not disputed. This need is illustrated on the radio plots contained within the full planning submission. The development is necessary to provide 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation coverage as a replacement for the existing site on the BT Exchange and to provide third generation (3G) mobile phone coverage.

2.1.2 Site selection. A number of alternative sites and buildings in the area have been carefully surveyed but none have been found to be as suitable as that subject to the prior approval application. The development is fully consistent with national telecommunications planning policy that "seeks to facilitate the growth of new and existing telecommunications systems whilst keeping the environmental impact to a minimum". Furthermore, in accordance with National Policy objectives the proposal seeks to utilise an existing tall building.

2.1.3 Design and visual impact. The development has been carefully designed in full recognition of the site being a Listed Building and located within the Conservation Area. The design of the development has regard to its settings and surroundings together with the specific coverage requirements of the operator. The proposal is not in material conflict with the policies contained within the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea Unitary Development Plan (UDP).

2.1.4 Health Considerations. The development is designed to fully comply with ICNIRP guidelines for public exposure. To further allay the fears of the Local Planning Authority and local residents, the appellant has commissioned an independent report to confirm that the installation will comply with ICNIRP guidelines for public exposure.

2.2 These grounds of appeal are discussed more fully in Section 6 below.

**APPEAL NOTIFICATIONS**

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Re: ..... **9 WILBRAHAM PLACE, SW1X**

Please complete the list of those to notify of the appeal and return with the file(s) to the Appeal Section within 24 hours. Thank You.

☒ WARD COUNCILLORS:

1. Coleridge
2. Paget-Brown
3. Weale

☐ KENSINGTON SOCIETY (Ms Susie Symes, 19 Denbigh Terrace,  
London W11 2QJ)

☒ CHELSEA SOCIETY (Mr Terence Bendixson, 39 Elm Park Gardens,  
London SW10 9QF)

☐ RESIDENT ASSOCIATIONS AND AMENITY SOCIETIES:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

☒ ALL 3<sup>RD</sup> PARTIES ORIGINALLY NOTIFIED

☒ ALL OBJECTORS/SUPPORTERS

☐ STATUTORY BODIES ORIGINALLY NOTIFIED

☐ ENGLISH HERITAGE

☐ OTHERS:.....

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Date: 02 July 2002

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DTLR's Reference: App/K5600/A/02/1092452 Please ask for: Ms.A. Salmon

Dear Sir/Madam,

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990**

**Appeal relating to: 9 Wilbraham Place, London, SW1X9AE**

With reference to your appeal on the above address(es), enclosed you will find the Council's Questionnaire and attached documents as necessary.

Yours faithfully,

**M.J. FRENCH**

Executive Director, Planning and Conservation

Enc.

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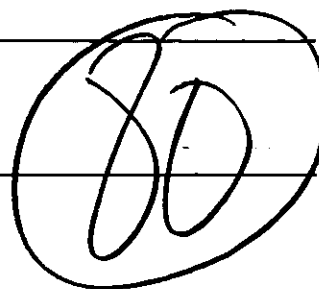
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Department of Transport,  
Local Government and the Regions,  
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Date: 02 July 2002

My Ref: DPS/DCSE/PP/02/00439/ALS

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Please ask for: Rebecca Gill

Dear Sir/Madam,

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990**

**Appeal relating to: 9 Wilbraham Place, London, SW1X9AE**

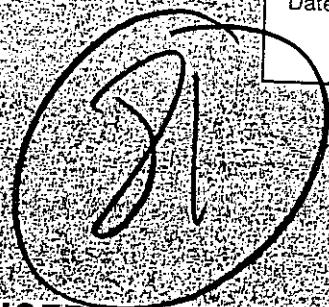
With reference to the appeal on the above premises, I return the completed questionnaire, together with supporting documents. In the event of this appeal proceeding by way of a local Inquiry the Inspector should be advised that Committee Rooms in the Town Hall must be vacated at 5.00 p.m. unless prior arrangements have been made for the Inquiry to continue after 5.00 p.m.

Yours faithfully,

**M.J. FRENCH**

Executive Director, Planning and Conservation

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# QUESTIONNAIRE

## PLANNING, LISTED BUILDING CONSENT OR CONSERVATION AREA CONSENT

OUR REF: PP/02/439

APPEAL REF: APP 1K5600/A/02/1092452 GRID REF: \_\_\_\_\_

APPEAL BY: 02 (UK) LIMITED

SITE: 9 WILBRAHAM PLACE, SWIX

You must ensure that a copy of a completed questionnaire, together with any enclosures, is received by us and the appellant, within 2 weeks from the starting date given in our letter. You must include details of the statutory development plan, even if you intend to rely more heavily on some other emerging plan. Please send our copy to the case officer. Their address is shown on our letter.

If notification or consultation under an Act, Order or Departmental Circular would have been necessary before granting permission and has not yet taken place, please inform the appropriate bodies of the appeal now and ask for any comments to be sent direct to us within 6 weeks of the starting date.

1. Do you agree to the written representations procedure?	YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO
OR Do you wish to be heard by an Inspector at:	YES <input checked="" type="radio"/>
a. a local inquiry?	YES <input checked="" type="radio"/>
or b. a hearing?	YES <input checked="" type="radio"/>
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6. Is the appeal site within an approved Green Belt or AONB?

Please specify which .....

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YES ☒ NO

7. Is there a known surface or underground mineral interest at or within 400 metres of the appeal site which is likely to be a material consideration in determining the appeal? (If YES, please attach details.)

YES ☒ NO

8. a. Are there any other appeals or matters relating to the same site or area still being considered by us or the Secretary of State?

If YES, please attach details and, where necessary, give our reference numbers.

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YES ☒ NO

b. Would the development require the stopping up or diverting of a public right of way? If YES, please provide an extract from the Definitive Map and Statement for the area, and any other details.

YES ☒ NO

9. Is the site within a Conservation Area? If YES, please attach a plan of the Conservation Area. (If NO, go to Q11.)

YES ☒ NO

10. Does the appeal relate to an application for conservation area consent?

YES ☒ NO

11.a. Does the proposed development involve the demolition, alteration or extension of a Grade I / II\* / II listed building?

YES ☒ NO  
Grade I / II\* ☒ II

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YES ☒ NO

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12. Has a grant been made under Sections 3A or 4 of the Historic Buildings and Ancient Monuments Act 1953?

YES ☒ NO

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YES ☒ NO

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~~YES / NO~~

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YES ☒ NO

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Number of Documents Enclosed

N/A

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1<sup>st</sup> August '02

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☒ YES ☐ NO

YES / NO

YES / NO

I confirm that a copy of this appeal questionnaire and any enclosures have been sent today to the appellant or agent.

Signature:  on behalf of RBK+C Council

Date sent to us and the appellant 21/7/02

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YES ☒ NO

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YES ☒ NO

YES ☒ NO

Number of Documents Enclosed

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1st August '02

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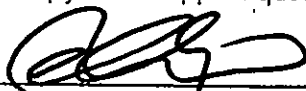
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Signature:  on behalf of RBKIC Council

Date sent to us and the appellant 2/7/02

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NOTICE OF PLANNING APPEAL RELATING TO 9 WILBRAHAM PLACE LONDON SW1X 9AE  
DTLR's Reference: App/K5600/A/02/1092452  
Attn: Ms A Salmon

Dear Ms. Salmon,

I am writing to object to the proposed telecommunications base station at 9 Wilbraham Place.  
I appreciate that there may be a need for this but there is surely a more appropriate place than a listed building?

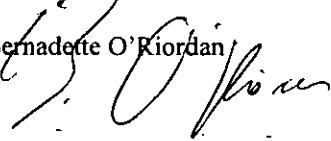
Also, I despite the assurance re ICNIRP guidelines I have concerns on health grounds.

Thirdly there has been an enormous amount of building in this area recently, the apartment block on Ellis Street, and now the approval of the Christ Scientist Church being turned into a concert hall.

I believe that the base will be an eyesore and would like to voice my objection.

Best regards,

Bernadette O'Riordan





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App/K5600/E/02/1092453  
Your Ref: DPS/DCSE/PP/02/00439/ALS  
Our Ref: BMS/Apps/Waldon/AW/32404

8 July 2002

**FAO: Ms A Salmon**

Dear Ms Salmon,

**PLANNING AND LISTED BUILDING APPEALS BY O<sub>2</sub> (UK) LIMITED (formerly BT Cellnet Ltd) relating to 9 WILBRAHAM PLACE, LONDON, SW1X 9AE**

We have just received via Waldon Telecom copies of your questionnaires in relation to the above appeals.

Please note that although the applications were submitted by Waldon Telecom on behalf of O<sub>2</sub> (UK) Limited we are the agents with respect to the appeals. As such please can you ensure that all further correspondence is directly sent to us.

I can confirm that a copy of this letter has been sent directly to the Planning Inspector.

Yours sincerely,

Ben Stansfield

For and on behalf of O<sub>2</sub> (UK) Limited

Tel: 01276 605016

E-mail: ben.stansfield@marconi.com

CC Mr Dave Shorland - Planning Inspector

O<sub>2</sub> (UK) Ltd

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11<sup>th</sup> July, 2002

The Planning Inspectorate,  
Room 3/07 Kite Wing,  
Temple Quay House,  
2 The Square,  
Temple Quay,  
Bristol, BS1 6PN.

Dear Sirs,

**Re: App/K5600/A/02/1092452 TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990**  
**Notice of a Planning Appeal relating to: 9 Wilbraham Place, London, SW1X9AE**

I am writing in connection with the Planning Appeal which has been made by BT Cellnet against the Kensington & Chelsea Council's decision to refuse planning permission for the Erection of telecommunication base station and equipment on the roof of the block of flats next door to my top floor flat.

I strenuously object to this application on the following grounds:

- 1) BT have an existing Telecommunications building which is very high, and is in Sloane Terrace, one street away. Why can the masts not be sited on their own building?
- 2) These aeriels are dangerous and should not be sited in the close proximity of residential properties because of the transmissions which have been linked to cancer. Please refer to the article on the 11<sup>th</sup> June in the Evening Standard, page 8 which is one of the many publications I have seen about the probable health fears associated with such masts.
- 3) 9 Wilbraham Place is a listed building, and I support the view of the Council that the proposed equipment would cause great harm to the architectural character in our conservation area.
- 4) Need for development. If there is a justifiable need, it would be more appropriate for BT to use its existing building in Sloane Terrace.
- 5) Site Selection. Have BT surveyed their own building in Sloane Terrace? It is just as high as 9 Wilbraham Place and is not a listed building. Could it be that BT would find it difficult to convert their existing building into residential flats for sale to the public if such equipment were sited on top?
- 6) The design and visual impact of this enormous structure will be quite inappropriate to the street and indeed, to the listed building.

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- 7) Finally I would doubt that any report commissioned by BT on health considerations could truly be said to be independent as BT will be paying the bill. The Health considerations worry me greatly as my top floor flat and roof garden will be directly next door to the installation and I consider that I have a right to expect full consideration to be taken by the Council and Planning Inspectorate of the rights of residents to be kept free from harmful emissions which will be sent every minute in the direction of my flat and all the others in this residential street.

Yours faithfully,

C. J. T. Maggs

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- Re: 1). Town and Country Planning Act 1990  
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Subject: Proposed development at 9 Wilbraham Place, London  
SW1X 9AE
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<u>NAME</u>	<u>RESIDENT'S ADDRESS</u>	<u>SIGNATURE</u>
DR E.F. TEITLER	FLAT 9, 9 WILBRIDWAY PLACE London SW1X 9AE	A. E. Teitler

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My reference: APP/K5600/A/02 Your reference:  
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Please ask for: Anne Salmon

Dear Sir,

**Appeal by Oz (UK) Limited**  
**Site: 9 Wilbraham Place, Chelsea, SW1**

With reference to the appeals under the above references against the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea's refusal of planning permission and listed building consent for the erection of a telecommunications base station consisting of 6 no. tripod-mounted antennae, 2 tripods, 3 Nokia ultrasite outdoor cabinets, 2 Nortel BT outdoor cabinets and one external Diplexer cabinet, along with associated feeders and ancillary development, you will have already received copies of the following documents which together with this letter constitute the Royal Borough's representations:-

- (1) A copy of the report of the Executive Director, Planning and Conservation. The issues are set out in the report on the planning application. I can confirm that the Executive Director refused planning permission and listed building consent under his delegated powers.
- (2) A copy of chapters 1-4 of the Unitary Development Plan, adopted May 2002.
- (3) Extracts from the Sloane Square Conservation Area Proposals Statement published 1991.

The policy issues are clearly set out in the report. There are additional matters on which I would wish to comment and those are the ground of appeal as set out by the appellant in their supporting statement.

The appellants state that there is a need for the proposed telecommunications development. This is demonstrated by the use of radio plots which accompany the appeal. They state that the site is required as a replacement for the existing site on the BT exchange in Sedding Street.

They state that they have looked at a range of sites, none of which have been found to be suitable. The appellants have sought to use an existing tall building for the siting of the equipment.

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The building is listed Grade II and is within the Sloane Square Conservation Area. The appellants state that the development is designed to comply with ICNIRP guidelines for public exposure, and an independent report on Health and Safety implications has been commissioned.

The location of the block is agreed. It is also agreed that most of the properties in Wilbraham Place are in residential use, as are those in D'Oyley Street and Ellis Street which also abut the building. It is noted that there is a primary school opposite the BT exchange building in Sedding Street, approximately 70m south of the proposed site.

Two panel antennae are intended to be placed on one tripod located on the southern side of the building, on the front elevation facing Wilbraham Place, and four panel antennae located on the North-Western side of the building above Ellis Street. The tripods would be located close to the edge of the building. The tripods would be similar in height to the chimney stacks on the front and rear areas of the roof. The cabinets would be placed behind a decorative front parapet detail adjacent to one of the large chimney stacks and the existing tank room. This would screen the tanks on three sides. However, the tanks would still be visible from neighbouring buildings of similar height to the south-west of the site.

The policies referred to in the recently adopted Unitary Development Plan are correctly quoted and it is agreed that these policies are all relevant to the consideration of this appeal.

It is acknowledged that it is important in a modern society that there is a good network of Telecommunications including mobile telephones served by base stations in appropriate locations. It is noted that the mobile telecommunications sector is rapidly developing and serves both the business community and domestic users.

It is also important to ensure that people have adequate access to mobile telephones, although the need for competing operators vying for locations for base stations is disputed. It is noted that the appellants are one of the authorized Public Telecommunication Code System Operators. As such, they would be expected to meet reasonable customer demands, which are likely to be high in densely built-up areas.

There is currently a base station on the roof of the BT exchange building in Sedding Street. The future of this building is currently uncertain. As yet, there remain unapproved proposals for its conversion to residential use. However the scheme is recommended for approval and is on the agenda for consideration by the Council's Planning Services Committee on 23<sup>rd</sup> July. An alternative to this base station would be required to avoid a gap in the network.

The ability of the operator to provide more advanced telecommunication facilities is a technical matter, not one necessarily to be solved by the planning system, by allowing operators to use what are considered to be inappropriate buildings by virtue of their special architectural character.

It is noted that the area has a mix of commercial and residential development, and is densely built up with a busy road network in the vicinity. The area is all designated as a conservation area because of its character and architectural history. It contains many tall buildings of which 9 Wilbraham Place is one of the tallest.

It would appear that because of the proposed redevelopment, use of the BT exchange is unlikely to continue. It is noted that the appellants could not get agreement to use Eaton Mansions. It is agreed that since Holy Trinity Church is Listed Grade I, its use for telecommunications equipment would be unlikely to be acceptable. It is also noted that the appellants thought



Sloane Terrace Mansions to be unsuitable and that the Cadogan Estate are not willing for buildings in their ownership to be used.

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Paragraph 76 of the Appendix to PPG8 suggests that telecommunications operators should seek to use, sympathetic designs and camouflage to minimise the impact of the equipment.

In this case, while the proposed cabinets will be partly concealed by existing structures on the roof, the proposed tripods would be very prominent. That on the South side would stand almost as tall as the chimney stack and would be visible from street level and from the upper floors of all the surrounding buildings. That on the rear would be visible for long distances across the open green enclosed by Cadogan Place, since the intervening buildings are lower. There has been no attempt to disguise the tripods or antennae in this case, and they would certainly not blend into the landscape being on a tall and prominent roof.

PPG15 requires that development should seek to preserve or enhance the character or appearance of Conservation Areas and should seek to preserve the setting of listed buildings. It is considered that the proposed tripods and antennae would result in unsightly clutter on the roof which would appear incongruous and visually obtrusive in this prominent position and would harm the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

Although the equipment cabins will be partly enclosed by the front parapet and tank room, there are a number of high buildings to the south west of the site from which these items are likely to be visible, to the detriment of the appearance of the building and the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

Although the tripods and antennae would be painted to match the colour of the chimney stacks, because they are free-standing, they would still represent obtrusive and unwelcome additions to the prominent roof of this listed building. Generally, it is considered that the roof of a listed building is not visually the most appropriate location for the siting of telecommunications equipment. An alternative scheme involving the rebuilding of an existing rooftop structure with disguised antennae has recently been submitted to the Council. This proposal is currently under consideration.

As stated previously, the present scheme does not offer any significant element of camouflage of the antennae or supporting tripods, and they will be located in visibly prominent locations on the roof. Thus, it is considered that the siting and design would be inappropriate and would harm both the character and appearance of the conservation area and the special historic and architectural interest of the listed building contrary to the Council's policies in particular Policies CD25, CD44, CD52, CD53 and CD58. In addition, the proposal would conflict with the advice contained in PPG15.

It is noted that the proposal would enable the removal of the base station on the BT Exchange. The removal of this would be welcomed, but not at the cost of harming another visually and historically important building in the vicinity.

The appellants state that their equipment would meet ICNIRP guidelines. This is considered by the Council's Directorate of Environmental Services to be a sufficient safeguard of their meeting Health and Safety requirements.

While it is noted that a replacement site for a telecommunications base station in the area, it is considered that the installation proposed would be unwelcome in principle and unacceptable in detail because of the prominent position and the design of the tripods, which would result in substantial harm to the appearance of the listed building, and the roofscape of the area.

By way of amplification of Paragraph 4.8 of the report, the Conservation Officer prepared a formal observation as follows:-

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"This property is a late 19<sup>th</sup> Century mansion block.

It is proposed that five telecommunications cabinets and two sets of antennae are located at main roof level. The six antennae would be highly visible as they would be positioned at the edge of the main roof area and would be open to long views. The cabinets would be grouped together and would be partially hidden by the existing roof form. The significant combined visual bulk of the cabinets would be visible from the upper floors to neighbouring properties.

The proposal would result in unsightly clutter which would appear incongruous and visually intrusive in this prominent position.

The proposal would harm the special architectural and historic interest of this property."

To conclude, as explained in the foregoing, the telecommunications equipment which are the subject of these appeals fails to comply with the relevant policies of the Development Plan and would significantly harm the special architectural and historic interest of the listed building and the character and appearance of the Conservation Area for the reasons set out in this letter and in the report. The Inspector is therefore required to dismiss these appeals.

Without prejudice to the arguments set out in this letter and the attached report as to why the Borough Council considers that planning permission and listed building consent should be refused, the Inspector is requested to impose the following conditions should the appeals be allowed:-

- (1) The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of five years from the date of this permission.

Reason: As required by Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 to avoid the accumulation of unexercised permissions.

- (2) the tripods and antennae shall be painted to match the colour of the brickwork of the chimney stacks on the roof of the building.

Reason: To ensure a satisfactory standard of visual appearance.

- (3) The edge of the cabinets exposed in the area between the front parapet and the plant rooms shall be painted to match the colour of the rendered brickwork of the chimney stacks to the east end of the roof.

Reason: To ensure a satisfactory standard of visual appearance.

Yours faithfully,

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Executive Director, Planning and Conservation

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DTLR's Reference: App/K5600/A/02/1092452

17<sup>th</sup> July 2002

Dear Sir,

We, the owners of Flat 4, 9 Wilbraham Place, fully agree with the RBKC's Planning Inspectorates refusal for planning permission to be agreed for BT Cellnet to erect a telecommunication base station.

We reiterate our position by lodging an objection in the strongest terms to this appeal for exactly the reason that it was refused in the first place. Huge disruption will be caused to the residents together with the fact that the safety is unproven.

We must point out that we made no objection at the time of the original application but having given it further thought and investigation we object to the application.

Yours faithfully,



Dr Massimo Riccio & Dr Dominic Cheetham.

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I enclose third party correspondence relating to the above appeals.

If you have any comments on the points raised, please send 2 copies to me no later than 9 weeks from the starting date. You should comment solely on the representations enclosed with this letter.

**You cannot introduce new material or put forward arguments that should have been included in your earlier statement. If you do, your comments will not be accepted and will be returned to you.**

Comments submitted after the 9-week deadline will not be seen by the Inspector unless there are extraordinary circumstances for the late submission.

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