

DESIGN, ACCESS & SUPPORTING STATEMENT

Cell Reference	41301		
Site Address	Penistone Paramount, Shrewsbury Road, Penistone, S36 6DY		
Easting	424745	Northing	403244
Description of Development	The installation of a radio base station consisting of a flagpole incorporating three integrated antennas upon the gable end wall of the Penistone Paramount cinema, a ground based equipment cabinet and development ancillary thereto.		

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1.0 General Introduction & Site Details

This supporting statement forms part of an application for prior approval on behalf of Telefónica O2 UK Ltd. The application relates to the installation of a radio base station consisting of a flagpole incorporating three integrated antennas upon the gable end wall, a ground based equipment cabinet and development ancillary thereto at Penistone Paramount Cinema, Shrewsbury Road, Penistone, S36 6DY.

This supporting statement aims to assist the Local Planning Authority in their evaluation of the telecommunications proposals, stating clearly the facts and issues surrounding this planning application. It takes into account the matters of address relating to a "Design and Access Statement" which is a requirement of s.42 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. This supporting statement helps to set out the processes that have taken place towards establishing the siting and appearance of the development which now forms part of this planning application.

1.1 Description of Application Site and Surroundings

The premises are currently used as a Cinema and Theatre. The land use in the immediate vicinity of the site is commercial based. The site entrance is via the Cinema Entrance. The location of the site is on upon the gable end wall of Penistone Paramount cinema. The site is located within a commercial/residential area with the town centre lying to the West of the site. There is only one existing telecoms site in the area, which is a Vodafone standalone mast located at Lavender International, by Penistone Train Station. Unfortunately, this site cannot be shared without significant redevelopment, altering the height and structure. The site provider has also declined our offer of locating another site in this vicinity.

The site also lies in between mature trees which vary in height from 11-13 metres which will also aid in the screening of the equipment from view. The site is located as far as possible from any the curtilage of St. John's Church. As the site will be located on the gable end of a commercial property it will have minimal visual impact on local amenities.

1.2 Description of Development

The proposed development at this location relates to the installation of a flagpole scheme mounted upon the gable wall of the building. The structure will be painted white, however this can be changed to accommodate the requirements of the Local Planning Authority. The ancillary development will include a ground based equipment cabinet located against the rear wall of the building to minimise visual intrusion. This will be painted green, however this can also be changed to accommodate the requirements of the Local Planning Authority.

1.3 Access Arrangements

Given the proposals siting on the gable wall of the building, the site will only be accessed by those personnel associated with the applicant. In light of the siting of the antennas on a building and the intended use to provide mobile phone coverage, the public should have no interest or need to access the base station. It should therefore be recognised that access to the proposals is set well away from recognised public rights of way and is remote from pedestrian and vehicular movements within the public realm.

During construction the use of craning machinery may be required. It is likely that once built, the site will be visited infrequently for maintenance purposes only. Right of entry to the site will be primarily by foot to gain access to the equipment cabinets housed internally. In the event of the antennas that form part of the scheme needing to be maintained this will be achieved via a cherry picker outside the building.

2.0 Legal Obligation & Technical Justification

2.1 Legal Obligation to Provide a Service

Telefónica O2 UK Ltd is the operator of an electronic communications network. Telefónica O2 UK Ltd complies with the Electronic Communications Code as enacted under the Communications Act 2003, which provides the necessary legislative basis to run an electronic communications network. As an electronic communications network operator, Telefónica O2 UK Ltd has the benefit of Permitted Development rights

under Part 24 of Schedule 2 to the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 (as amended). When the 3G licence was awarded to Telefónica O2 there was a requirement to develop the network to provide coverage to 80% of the population by 2007.

2.2 Compliance with Other Regulations

'Please accept this letter and its enclosures as a notification in accordance with regulation 5 of The Electronic Communications Code (Conditions and Restrictions) Regulations 2003 as required by the Communications Act 2003. No fee is required for this notification. Telefónica O2 UK Ltd is obliged, under regulation 6(2) to give one calendar month's notice, in writing, to the planning authority of its intention to install electronic communications apparatus. The apparatus to be installed consists of a flagpole installation on the gable wall and development ancillary thereto. The proposal will be installed at Penistone Paramount Cinema, Shrewsbury Road, Penistone, S36 6DY.'

2.3 Technical Justification

PPG8 states that local planning authorities should not question the need for the telecommunications system, which the proposed development is to support (paragraph 6). However, paragraph 5 of PPG8 highlights that in making an application for telecommunications development operators may be expected to provide evidence regarding the need for the proposed installation. The proposed installation is needed to provide 3G coverage to the residential and commercial properties of Penistone.

The coverage plots and technical justification, enclosed in appendix A, provide an explanation of the operation of the network and the technical constraints on siting. Telefónica O2 has identified a coverage requirement in this area of Penistone in which the coverage plots provides an indication of the projected radio coverage provided by the sites surrounding the proposal site if they were all operational. It can be seen from the plots that the coverage is not contiguous and therefore a site is required to fill a gap in coverage. These plots clearly show how the proposed installation would fill an existing coverage gap to enable continuous coverage to be achieved in the area.

A map is also enclosed in appendix A that indicates the extent of the area in which an installation is required for Telefónica O2 UK Ltd. The search area within which an installation needs to be established in order to meet the coverage requirement is constrained by the location and extent of the coverage provided by existing installations in the surrounding area. An installation located outside of this search area would not allow Telefónica O2 UK Ltd to provide the desired level of coverage and would therefore not adequately fill the current coverage gap.

3.0 Site Selection Process

3.1 Annual Rollout Consultation

Date of last annual rollout information/ submission	01/10/2007
Name of contact	Head of Planning
Main issues/ outcome – No issues identified.	

3.2 Database Searches

Was the mast register of the authority responsible for planning used to check for suitable sites by the operator or the authority?	Yes	
The applicant has had numerous telephone conversations with the Local Planning Officer to discuss the availability of suitable sites for use by the operator.		
Was the industry site database checked for suitable sites by the operator?	Yes	
if no explain why		

3.3 Pre-application Consultation

The Government strongly encourages pre-application discussions between operators and local planning authorities in order to find the optimum solution for the development requirements. Paragraphs 9 – 13 of PPG8 go on to advise that pre-application discussions should also be carried out between operators and other organisations with an interest in the proposed development as well as people likely to be affected by the proposals including schools.

In order to explore the possibilities with regard to this proposal a pre-application consultation exercise has been undertaken. This proposal was given an Amber rating when it was assessed against the Traffic Light Rating Model, further details of the Traffic Light Rating Model can be found in Annex D to the Code of Best Practice on Mobile Phone Network Development.

Initial pre-application consultation exercise was undertaken with the local planning authority Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council. On the 1st September 2008 a letter outlining the proposals and requesting comments on the proposed sites were issued to the Council. The applicant confirms feedback has not been received to date.

A community consultation exercise was also undertaken. On the 14th October 2008 informative letters, including drawings of the proposed installation and health and safety information were issued to the local Ward Councillors and local MP. No response has been received to date.

3.4 Alternative Sites Considered

In accordance with the licence obligations and advice in PPG8 and the Code of Best Practice the applicant's network rollout team undertook an inspection of the area of search, which investigated the following siting and design options using this sequential approach to site selection:

- Upgrading their own existing base stations;
- Using existing telecommunications structures belonging to another communications operator. I.e. Mast and/ or site sharing, co-location;
- Installations on existing high buildings or structures including National Grid pylons;
- Using small scale equipment; and finally
- Erecting a new ground based mast site – (1st) Camouflaging or disguising equipment. (2nd) A conventional installation e.g. a lattice mast and compound.

The applicant's site selection strategy is to keep the overall environmental impact to a minimum. Mast sharing is always progressed where it is technically and legally possible and where it is the local planning authority's preferred environmental solution. New 'Greenfield' sites are only developed where there are no viable or accessible alternatives or it is the local planning authority's preferred approach. The feasibility of the acquisition, build and maintenance of the site also needs to be taken into account.

A number of sites have been considered prior to the proposal site being selected. These were given careful consideration with regard to the impact of development at each location in terms of visual and residential amenity, other planning issues as well as the technical suitability of each site to Telefónica O2. In selecting the site and design of the proposed installation the views that have been received as a result of the consultation exercise have been taken into account. The location considered most acceptable in terms of all these factors was then selected.

The details of alternative sites considered prior to selecting the proposed site and design are contained in the list below and are plotted on the map attached to Appendix A:

List of Sites Considered

	Site Type	Site Name and Address	TLM Rating	Reason for Rejection
1	Greenfield	Goods Yard, St. Mary's Street, Penistone	Amber	This option would have far more visual prominence upon the street scene than the selected option which offers substantial screening.
2	Street Furniture	SF at Clarel Street, Penistone	Amber	This site was considered unsuitable for development owing to lack of screening around the column causing a greater visual impact.
3	Greenfield	The Royal British Legion, St Marys Street, Penistone	Amber	This option would have far more visual prominence upon the street scene than the selected option which offers substantial screening.
4	Rooftop	St John The Baptist Church, Church Street, Penistone	Red	This is a Grade 1 listed building and would be unable to accommodate a suitable installation without making significant changes to the exterior of the church.
5	Site Share	Vodafone Site Share, Lavender International, Penistone Station, Penistone	Amber	This option would necessitate an increase in the height and width of the existing structure, causing a greater visual impact upon the landscape than the selected option. It has been estimated that an increase from 15 metres to 20 metres will be needed to provide the required coverage here.
6	Greenfield/Rooftop	Lavender International, Penistone Station, Penistone	Amber	The site provider verbally declined our proposals.
7	Greenfield	Penistone Bowling Club, Back Lane, Schole Avenue, Penistone	Amber	The site provider verbally declined our proposals.

If no alternative site options have been investigated, please explain why:

4.0 Reasons for Selecting the Site and Design

Given the makeup of the area and lack of alternative sites, it was established that a flagpole installation upon the gable wall would be the only viable solution which would provide coverage to this area of Penistone. The proposal is for a flagpole containing three integrated antennas to be installed upon the gable end wall to the rear of the Cinema. The design is constrained as the antenna must be above the surrounding clutter to enable signal propagation. The installation requires the location of equipment cabinets. These have been located upon the ground underneath the proposed flagpole scheme.

In address of the appearance of the proposal, it is believed that the scheme takes a form which is sympathetic within the context of its immediate aesthetic which includes St. John's Church. Aware that some standard mast designs can appear incongruous, it is highlighted that the antennas would be not be visible to the public as they are contained within the cylindrical flagpole shroud. This design is considered to be an appropriate solution and shows the applicants efforts to help mitigate the proposals impact on the visual amenity.

Similarly, the applicant has opted to connect the site into the national network via an underground transmission link rather than relying on a transmission dish, which might affect the linear nature of the scheme.

In light of O2's efforts to design the best solution for this particular site so as to minimise the impact of development on the environment, it is considered that the appearance of a flagpole scheme upon the gable wall would not seriously impact upon the visual amenity of the area, nor would it form an obtrusive feature in the street scene.

It is considered that the proposal before you strikes a good balance between environmental impact and operational considerations. The proposed height and design represents the best compromise between the visual impact of the proposal on the surrounding area and meeting the technical coverage requirement for the site. Taking all matters into account it is considered that the proposal would not appear out of place at the application site. It is considered that the proposal has been sited in a position which respects the character of the cell as a whole and the general setting of the immediate area.

5.0 Planning Policy

5.1 National Policy

National guidance contained within planning policy guidance notes and Governmental circulars have been determined to be material considerations in determining planning appeals. In this instance, it is our opinion that the following advice is material:

PPG 8 – Telecommunications (2001)

PPG8 'Telecommunications is the national planning document offering guidance to local authorities in the formulation of local plan policy and evaluation of telecommunications developments.

Overall aim of PPG8 is to allow for the growth of new and existing telecommunications networks in conjunction with environmental considerations. Paragraph 1 of PPG8 emphasises the Governments' generally positive approach to telecommunications: - *"The Government's policy is to facilitate the growth of new and existing telecommunications systems whilst keeping the environmental impact to a minimum. The Government also has a responsibility for protecting public health."* Paragraph 1, PPG8, 22 August 2001

PPG 8 goes further and states that *"The aim of telecommunications policy is to ensure that people have a choice as to who provides their telecommunication service, a wider range of services from which to choose and equitable access to the latest technologies"*. Paragraph 2, PPG8, 22 August 2001

Paragraph 7, advises that each telecommunications system have different antenna types, siting needs and other characteristics. *"Planning Authorities should have regard to any technical constraints on the location and proposed development."*

PPG8 acknowledges the commercial pressures placed of mobile telecommunications systems and that basis of demand for such services, confirming that: - *"These systems are demand-led. Increase in the use of mobile phones has meant that operators are continually expanding their networks to accommodate customer requirements of service and quality. The greatest need for base station sites is usually in built-up areas where there is the greatest density of mobile users, and within a mile or two of the main roads, where the demands on network capacity are greatest."* Paragraph 22, PPG8, 22 August 2001

With reference design PPG8 confirms that operators should be innovative in their design solutions and should attempt to find solutions that minimise potential amenity and intrusion issues, stating that: - *"The telecommunications industry is encouraged to continue to develop innovative design solutions, in terms not only of the structure of masts and antennas but also the materials and colouring. A number of different design solutions are currently available. These include masts designed to look like trees or street furniture, and the redevelopment or restoration of existing properties to incorporate telecommunications apparatus. Authorities may wish to discuss with operators different design and camouflage options in connection with development proposals. Operators are encouraged to provide examples of different design solutions. It should be borne in mind that some designs may not be suitable for future sharing. Where it is agreed that a site is suitable for future mast sharing, it may be appropriate to install a mast specifically designed to facilitate its redevelopment for sharing."* Paragraph 77, PPG8, August 2001

5.2 Code of Best Practice on Mobile Phone Network Development

The Code of Best Practice was published in November 2002 and produced jointly by all Mobile Phone Operators, and representatives of Central and Local Government. It provides clear and practical advice to ensure that delivery of significantly better and more effective communication and consultation between operators, local authorities and local residents.

Paragraphs 140 - 145 identify general design principles in which camouflaging or disguising equipment is considered materially appropriate. In reducing the environmental and visual impact of a ground based installation the Code of Best Practice promotes the use of simple and uncomplicated designs. Paragraph 148 recognises that *"Masts which have complex designs are more likely to dominate and be in discord with the landscape and have adverse visual impacts."*

Concerning the erection of new ground based masts, paragraph 148 provides examples of where the environmental and visual impact of the mast can be greatly reduced. Paragraph 148 states:

- *Placing the mast near similar structures. For example, industrial and commercial premises, road signs and lamp posts;*
- *Using simple and unfussy designs. Masts which have complex designs are more likely to dominate and be in discord with the landscape and have adverse visual impacts; and*
- *Appropriate colouring.*

5.3 Local Policy

Section 38 (6) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 states that "If regard is to be had to the development plan for the purpose of any determination to be made under the planning Acts the determination must be made in accordance with the plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise".

The development plan framework is provided by the Barnsley Unitary Development Plan. The plan was adopted by the Council in December 2000. Policy UTL5 states:

"Having regard to the special operational needs of licensed operators proposals for telecommunications development including the erection of radio, television, cellular and personal communications network masts and antennae will be assessed with regard to the following factors :

- a) The appropriateness of the specific location having regard to the effect on the landscape/townscape, the visual amenity of the immediate area and the wider area from which the proposal would be visible, and operational efficiency*
- b) The possibility of erecting antennae or other apparatus on an existing building, mast or other structure as a possible alternative to the erection of a large mast*
- c) The presence of other telecommunications facilities within and around the site*
- d) The need to include additional structural capacity to take account of the growing demands for the network development including that of other operators.*

Any development should be sited and designed so as to minimise its visual impact subject to technical and operational considerations"

The applicant can confirm that the criteria noted above have been met through confirming:

1. The site has been designed to minimise the impact on visual amenity and character of the surrounding street scene. The installation is the smallest possible scale to accommodate O₂'s requirements. It has been located on the gable wall of the building to minimise the impact on to the local aesthetic.
2. The nature of the face mounted antennas is such that its removal in the event of there being no further need for the development would be a relatively simple operation and allow the building to be restored to its original condition.
3. In line with Policy UTL5 the proposal is to utilise an existing building rather than install a free-standing mast.

Policy BE1 states:

"In conservation areas development will only be approved if it enhances or preserves the character or appearance of the conservation area."

It is the applicants contention that the proposal before you will preserve the rich character and heritage of the Penistone Conservation Area whilst simultaneously providing an addition technical service to the locality.

6.0 Health & Safety

Recent court cases have confirmed that the *public perception* of health risks can be a material consideration within the land-use planning system. The weight to be attached to this issue has to be determined accordingly in each case by the decision maker. It has been generally held, and widely established at planning appeal, that health concerns are not a sufficient basis alone for withholding planning permission providing it has been demonstrated that the proposed installation will comply with the ICNIRP guidelines.

The most recent government advice regarding mobile telephone technology and health issues is outlined within the revised PPG8 (2001) which states: *"it is the Government's firm view that the planning system is not the appropriate mechanism for determining health safeguards. It remains central government's responsibility to decide what measures are necessary to protect public health. In the Government's view, if a proposed development meets the ICNIRP guidelines for public exposure it should not be necessary for a local planning authority, in processing an application for planning permission or prior approval, to consider further the health aspects and concerns about them."* Paragraph 98, PPG8, 22 August 2001

In this instance, Telefónica O2 UK Ltd believes that it is not necessary to consider health effects further, as recommended by PPG8. Telefónica O2 UK Ltd is committed to ensuring that all new and existing installations are ICNIRP compliant, and consequently it is considered that there is no basis for this application to be refused on health and safety grounds or for reasons relating to public concerns about health and safety. An ICNIRP compliance certificate is enclosed in appendix C. If required, additional information regarding the operation of mobile telephone base stations and health and safety considerations can be provided.

7.0 Summary

To summarise the case in favour of the proposals the following points are of relevance:

- With specific regard to telecommunications development, the appellant considers that the proposal accords fully with PPG 8, the Code of Best Practice and Policies UTL5 and BE1 of the Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council Unitary Development Plan.
- Site selection was progressed in accordance with the appellants licence obligations, advice in PPG 8 and the Code of Best Practice and represents the least environmentally intrusive, technically suitable, available option;
- Telefónica O2's site selection strategy is to keep the overall environmental impact to a minimum through the use of site shares wherever possible. Site sharing is progressed where it is technically and legally possible and the preferred environmental solution. With regards to this nominal, every attempt has been made to accommodate Telefónica O2 equipment on existing facilities, however no suitable masts were identified within the required coverage area;
- It is of note that the height of the installation has been kept to the absolute operational minimum to clear the immediate buildings and provide adequate 3G coverage to the cell area;
- Telefónica O2 have opted to connect the site into the national network via an underground link rather than rely on a transmission dish, which Telefónica O2 judged might affect the linear nature of the design and increase its prominence;
- The significance of the proposal in the development of the Telefónica O2 network is a material consideration and this site is required in order to contribute towards the obligation to provide coverage to 80% of the population by 2008.

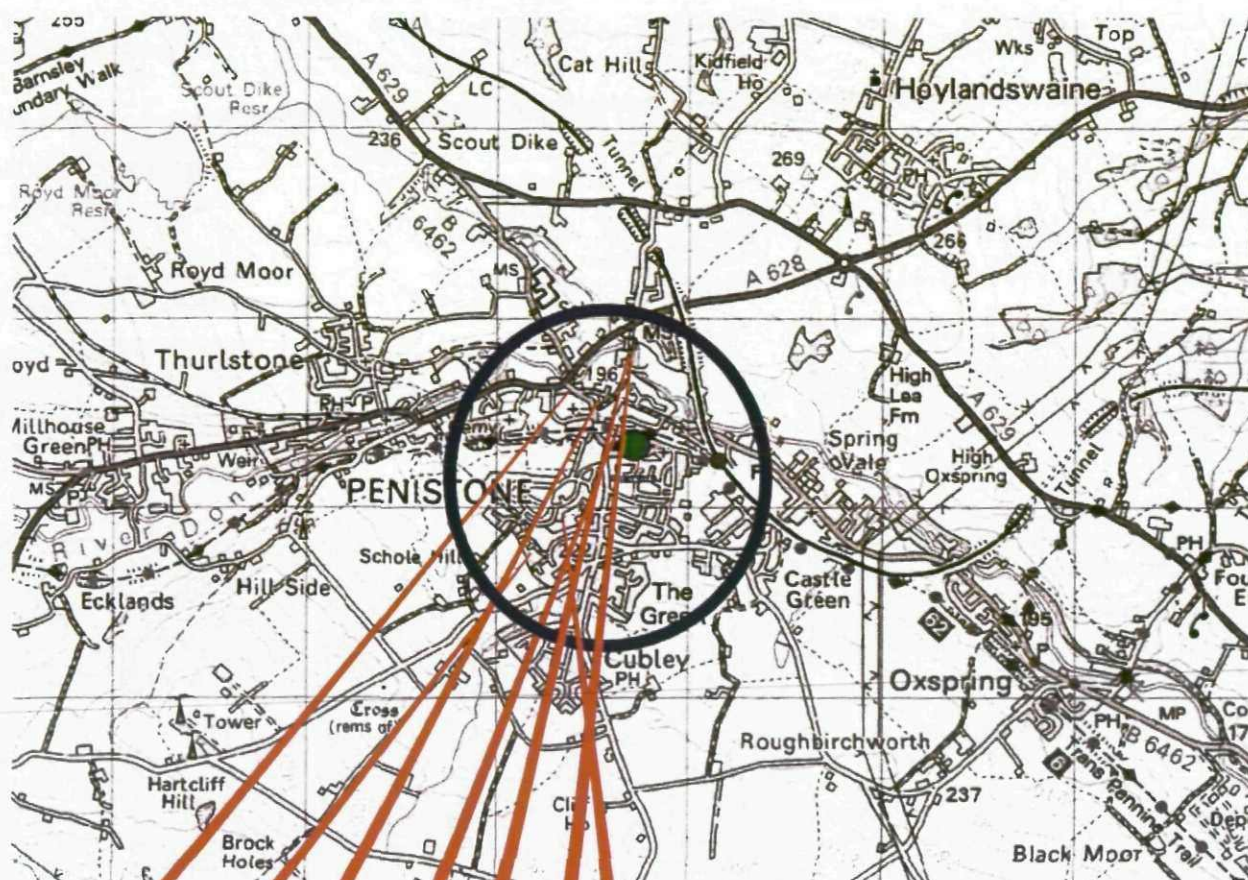
APPENDIX A – DISCOUNTED OPTIONS & SEARCH AREA
PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF A FLAGPOLE INCORPORATING THREE INTEGRATED
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DEVELOPMENT ANCILLARY THERETO AT PENISTONE PARAMOUNT CINEMA, SHREWSBURY
ROAD, PENISTONE, S36 6DY

Appendix A includes a map that indicates the extent of the area in which an installation is required for Telefónica O2 UK Ltd. The search area within which an installation needs to be established in order to meet the coverage requirement is constrained by the location and extent of the coverage provided by existing installations in the surrounding area. An installation located outside of this search area would not allow Telefónica O2 UK Ltd to provide the desired level of coverage and would therefore not adequately fill the current coverage gap. The sites considered in section 3.4 above are also plotted on the attached map.

Search Area and Discounted Options

	ADDRESS
1	Goods Yard, St. Mary's Street, Penistone
2	SF on Clarel Street
3	The Royal British Legion, Penistone
4	St John The Baptist Church
5	Vodafone Site Share, Lavender International
6	Lavender International
7	Penistone Bowling Club

KEY	
	APPLICATION SITE
	SEARCH AREA



APPENDIX B – TECHNICAL JUSTIFICATION AND CELL PLOTS
PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF A FLAGPOLE INCORPORATING THREE INTEGRATED
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As indicated in the supporting statement Appendix B contains coverage plots illustrating the operational affect of and the technical requirement for the proposed installation.

It is of note that the significance of the proposal in the development of the Telefónica O2 network is a material consideration and this site is required in order to contribute towards the obligation to provide coverage to 80% of the population by 2008.

Telefónica O2 (UK) Ltd

Technical Justification

Site details	
Cell Ref:	41301
Site Name:	Penistone Green
Site address:	Penistone Paramount
	Shrewsbury Road
	Penistone
	S36 6DY
NGR:	424745, 403244

This summary provides a brief technical justification for the proposed telecommunications installation at 41301 - Penistone Green. It is accompanied by radio coverage plots which illustrate the need for the proposed installation.

Site 41301 - Penistone Green is a 3G site and as such is designed to fill a coverage hole that exists between adjacent existing 3G sites.

The search area for a base station was limited due to site to site distance constraints that govern O2's network design.

The level of coverage provided by a particular site is dependant on a number of factors. The key factors are the frequency of the signal emitted (the higher the frequency, the shorter the transmission distance), the height and nature of surrounding "clutter" such as buildings and trees, which can obstruct, absorb and reflect the radio signals. The degradation of the signal by an appreciable amount will result in poor network performance. In order that the radio signal can be transmitted successfully the antennae must also be clear of any close obstructions which will cause "blocking" and "clipping" of the radio signal. The site is intended to provide coverage to the populated area around Peniston and provide coverage for Peniston and Cubley.

In this instance an overall structure height of at least 15M is required. This will ensure the signal is free from any blocking / clipping as previously mentioned. The attached radio coverage plots are produced using computer modelling software and are intended to give as accurate a representation as possible of proposed coverage. The model does not take into account specific local features such as individual building heights, trees, etc.

The coverage plots show four levels of coverage:

- White** – Very weak signal / No signal. No coverage guaranteed
- Orange** – Relatively weak signal. Capable of providing only on-street coverage.
- Blue** – Moderately strong signal. Will provide coverage in-car and on-street
- Green** – Strong signal. Will provide coverage in building, in-car and on-street

Plot 1 – Coverage from existing sites without 41301 - Penistone Green

This plot includes coverage with our existing 3G / 2G sites in place. As can be clearly seen there is a large coverage hole for in-building (no Green)

Plot 2 – Proposed Coverage with 41301 - Penistone Green

This plot includes coverage from our proposed site. When compared to plot 3 a much greater level of in-building (Green) coverage can be observed.

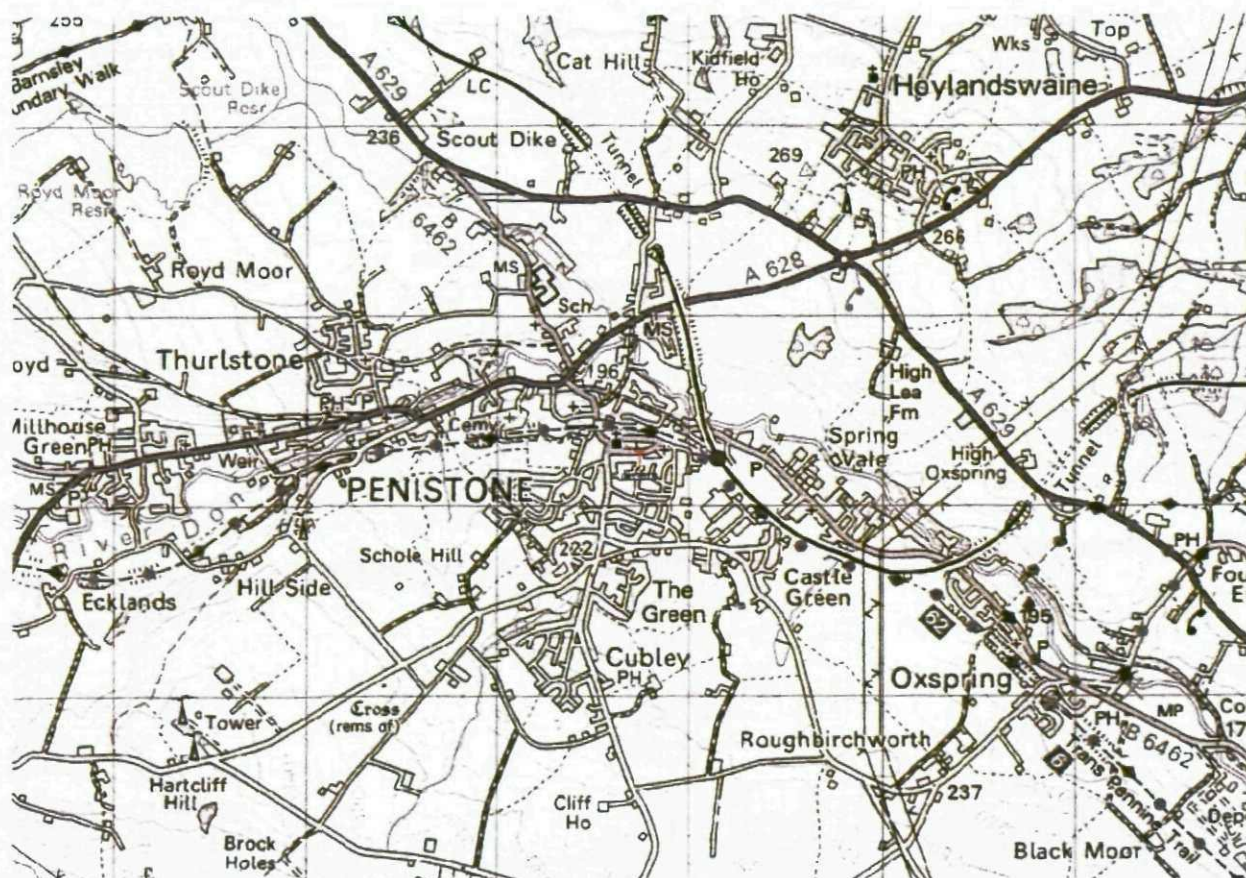
Plot 3 – Proposed coverage with 41301 - Penistone Green in isolation

This plot includes the coverage from our proposed site only. This shows the extent of the 3G / 2G service provided by the new site in the required area.

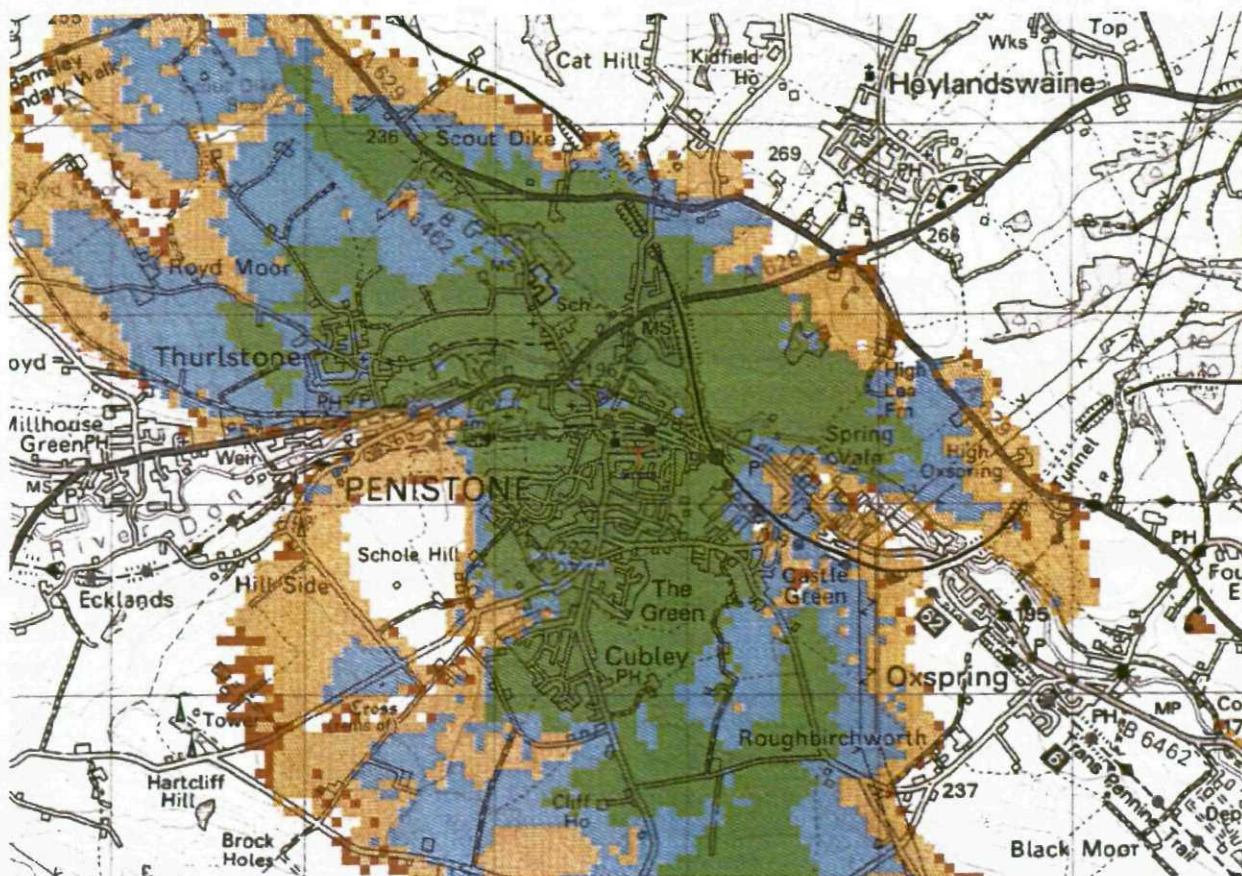
If you require any further information or would like to discuss the above justification please do not hesitate to contact Bhavesh Mistry of Lambert Smith Hampton who has submitted this application.

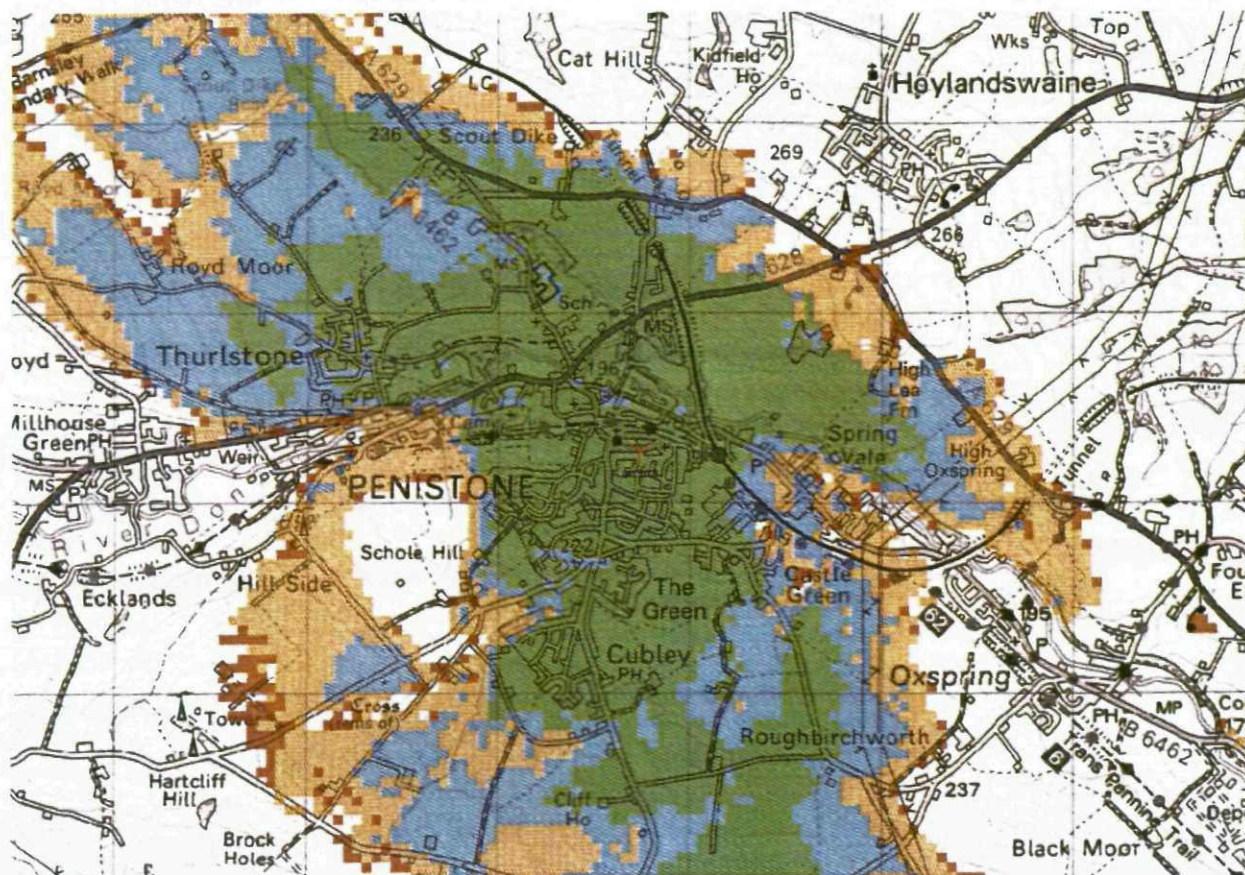
Howard Sidery
Radio Planner
Telefónica O2 (UK) Ltd

Plot 1 - Existing coverage plot without 41301 - Penistone Green



Plot 2 – Proposed coverage with 41301 - Penistone Green in place



Plot 3 - Proposed coverage with 41301 - Penistone Green only

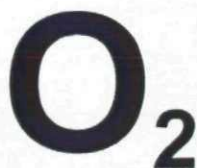
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Appendix C contains the ICNIRP Certificate relating to the proposals.

As indicated in the supporting statement national planning policy guidance note PPG8 offers advice to Local Planning Authorities in the determination of telecommunications proposals and the formulation of local plan policies. With reference to health and safety issues PPG8 confirms that the recommendations of the Stewart Report (Published in May 2000) should be adopted in the evaluation of telecommunications developments.

In relation to the increased public perception of risk PPG8 offers the following guidance:

"However, it is the Government's firm view that the planning system is not the place for determining health safeguards. It remains central Government's responsibility to decide what measures are necessary to protect public health. In the Government's view, if a proposed mobile phone base station meets the ICNIRP guidelines for public exposure it should not be necessary for a local planning authority, in processing an application for planning permission or prior approval, to consider further the health aspects and concerns about them." Paragraph 98, PPG8, DTLR



**Declaration of Conformity with ICNIRP Public Exposure Guidelines
("ICNIRP Declaration")**

Telefónica O2 (UK) Limited
260 Bath Road
Slough
SL1 4DX

Certifies that the proposed equipment and installation as detailed in the attached
planning / GPDO application at:

Cell Reference - 41301 – Penistone Paramount

Site Address - Penistone Paramount, Shrewsbury Road, Penistone, S36 6DY

is designed to be in full compliance with the requirements of the radio frequency (RF)
public exposure guidelines of the International Commission on Non-Ionising
Radiation Protection (ICNIRP), as expressed in EU Council recommendation of 12
July 1999 * "on the limitation of exposure of the general public to electromagnetic
fields (0 Hz to 300 GHz)".

* Reference: 1999/519/EC

Date: 26 November 2008

Signed:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Howard K Sidery'.

Name: Howard Sidery

Position: Network Radio Planner