

**Information on Pre Application Consultations Undertaken by
Telecommunication Operators, 25 October 2011 to 8 January 2013**

Information:

1. This Appendix contains information on the Pre-Application consultations undertaken by Telecommunication Operators in relation to planning applications for Telecommunication Masts and Notifications for development under Part 24 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 (as amended) determined between 25 October 2011 and 8 January 2013.
2. Since 25 October 2011 there have been five applications/notifications for new, or alterations to existing telecom masts, for which only one operator undertook consultation of nearby schools within 200m of the development, and none undertook consultation of schools within a 1 mile radius.
3. Details of the applications/notifications are set out below together with confirmation of any pre-application consultation undertaken, if any.

(1) 11/02349/FUL

Proposed 3m extension to existing 21m Vodafone lattice mast and the addition of 6 new antenna for O2 at 21m. The existing 6 x Vodafone antenna to be relocated to 24m. Ground based equipment cabinets required to facilitate this upgrade to be located within existing Vodafone cabin. It is proposed that on completion of these works the current O2 equipment located on the nearby Arqiva mast will be removed. Located at Whitley Bay Football Club, Hillheads Park, Rink Way, Whitley Bay, Tyne and Wear, NE25 8HR
Determined 08.02.12.

Pre Application Consultation: Consultation undertaken with Ward Councillors and the Council. No consultation with schools within 1 mile radius.

(2) 12/00029/TELGDO

12.5m high telecommunications tower. 1 x equipment cabinet. 1 x meter pillar. Located at Land at Buttermere Road, Cullercoats Tyne and Wear
Determined 07.02.12.

Pre Application Consultation: Consultation undertaken with three schools within 200 metres of the development, but not within 1 mile radius.

(3) 12/00325/FUL

23m high slim line lattice telecommunications tower incorporating 9 x antennas (6 x 3G and 3 x 2G). 1 x equipment cabin (3.6 x 2.4 x 7m). 1 x meter pillar (379 x 171 x 572mm). All ancillary development (fencing, foundations, fixtures, remote radio head units, etc.) Located at Benton Auction, Electricity Sub Station, East of Car Auction Building, Whitley Road, Palmersville Industrial Estate, Benton
Determined 30.04.12.

Pre Application Consultation: Consultation undertaken with Ward Councillors. No consultation with schools within 1 mile radius.

(4) 12/00530/FUL

3.4m high rooftop GRP chimneystack including 6 x 3G antennas, 3 x mast head amplifiers (MHAs) and associated steel support work. 2 x equipment cabinets.

3 x Remote Radio Units (RRU). All ancillary development.

Located at Alder Court, Front Street, Whitley Bay, Tyne and Wear, NE25 8AP

Determined 18.05.12

Pre Application Consultation: Local Consultation undertaken. No consultation with schools within 1 mile radius.

(5) 12/01769/FUL

Proposed works to extend the existing tower by 2.5 metres to increase the overall height from 30 metres to 32.5 metres. The proposed works also include the relocation of 2 x

existing dishes at the Orange Radio Mast site, Bellway Industrial Estate Benton

Determined 03.01.13.

Pre Application Consultation: No pre application consultation was undertaken.

Conclusion:

4. Telecommunication Operators have in the past year determined how far to extend pre application public consultation in relation to telecom equipment, and have also determined whether or not to consult schools within the surrounding area. As a general rule operators have undertaken some consultation of schools where they have been in close proximity, i.e. within less than 300 metres of a site for a mast, but have not consulted schools within a 1 mile radius. It should be noted that it is not a statutory requirement for Telecommunication Operators to consult local schools, however it is recommended as best practice.