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# FIRST SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT TO THE PLANNING COMMITTEE 21<sup>st</sup> July 2020

## Agenda Item 9

## Application Ref. 20/00462/TDET

#### Telecommunications Mast, Roundabout At Cedar Road And Audley Road, Chesterton

Since the publication of the main agenda report the comments of the **Highway Authority** have been received. They raise no objections subject to a condition requiring the proposed monopole and cabinets to be sited in accordance with the proposed site plan.

An objection letter has also been received from a neighbouring occupier setting out that the proposed development is an obtrusive structure that will restrict visibility from their access drive and be visually dominant and out of character with the area compared to the existing structure which is smaller and coloured green. They also raise concerns regarding vandalism of the structure.

#### Officers Comments

Only matters of the siting and appearance of the proposed development can be considered and therefore, concerns about future vandalism of the structure cannot be considered.

In terms of the siting and appearance of the structure it is accepted that the proposed monopole, at 17 metres in height, would be highly visible within its immediate setting and would be much taller than the existing structure. However, as set out in the main agenda report, the siting within the existing street scene is considered an appropriate location and any harm to visual amenity would be limited. Grey is considered an appropriate colour for the monopole in this setting.

The objector also raises concerns about the impact of the siting of the proposed equipment on their visibility when they egress their driveway. The Highway Authority has raised no objections to the siting of the proposed development and the width of the highway verge is extensive, which aids visibility lines.

The RECOMMENDATION remains as set out in the main agenda report.