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APPLICATION FOR SECTION 254 LICENSE

APPLICATION UNDER PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 (AS AMENDED) (SECTION 254)

INSTALLATION AT KILLINEY HILL ROAD (R119)/CASTLE COURT, BALLYBRACK, CO. DUBLIN (E: 725453, N: 723411, ITM).

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find attached an application for a Section 254 License, submitted on behalf of the applicant, namely, Emerald Tower Limited, 1st Floor, Marketing Suite Building, Lake Drive, Citywest Business Campus, Dublin D24 YXW2. This application is being submitted by the applicant's planning consultant, namely, Entrust Planning & Environmental, Unit 1D Deerpark Business Centre, Oranmore, Co. Galway H91 X599.

This License Application comprises:

- Cover Letter & Planning Statement (this document);
- Utility Maps (Eir, ESB, Gas, Irish Water, Virgin Media);
- Section 254 Drawings;
- Photomontage Report;
- Letter from Applicant confirming Safety Statement is in place;
- Confirmation of Public Liability and Employers Liability Insurance of €13 million each;
- Letter of indemnity for Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council;
- Eir ICNIRP Declaration;
- License Fee in the sum of €125.00, payable by electronic transfer as agreed with Margaret O'Carroll.

As per the Council requirements it is confirmed that the following information is included:

- Application Letter (this document);
- Insurance Certificate (included above);
- Comreg Authorisation (see section 2.3 of this document);
- Site Assessment (see sections 3,4 & 5 of this document);
- Location Map and associated plans, elevations and photomontages attached;
- Payment Confirmation by electronic transfer as agreed with Margaret O'Carroll;
- Radio emissions compliance statement (Eir ICNIRP Declaration) attached.

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Schedule of Drawings

No.	Title	Drawing No.	Scale
1	Overview Map	DN-2946-01-PD-01	1:1000
2	Site Layout Plan	DN-2946-01-PD-02	1:100
3	South-West Elevation Plan	DN-2946-01-PD-03	1:100
4	North-East Elevation Plan	DN-2946-01-PD-04	1:100
5	Equipment Details	DN-2946-01-PD-05	1:50

We write in connection with a proposal for a Section 254 License to install a 'Streetworks Pole' for the co-location of two separate operators equipment within the same pole, in order to provide high speed broadband and data services to the local community by two operators from a single pole, thus obliviating the need for two separate structures, which is in accordance with the 'Telecommunications Antenna and Support Structures, Guidelines for Planning Authorities', 1996, which are strongly supported by the County Development Plan, in order to prevent a proliferation of new telecommunications structures within the streetscene.

The enclosed application is identified as the most suitable option and design that balances operational need with local planning policies and national planning policy guidance.

We are committed to maintaining a positive relationship with all Local Authorities and we would be happy to provide any additional information in relation to this application.

We look forward to receiving your acknowledgement and decision in due course.

Yours faithfully



For and on behalf of: Emerald Tower Limited

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WIRELESS BROADBAND & DATA COMMUNICATIONS STREETWORKS POLE

INSTALLATION AT KILLINEY HILL ROAD (R119)/CASTLE COURT BALLYBRACK CO. DUBLIN

PLANNING STATEMENT INCORPORATING ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

Prepared by

Entrust Limited

August 2022







1. Introduction

- 1.1. This Planning Statement incorporating Environmental Considerations (the Statement) has been prepared by Entrust Limited, a firm of Chartered Planning Consultants, that specialises in infrastructure planning (the Agent), on behalf of Emerald Tower Limited (the Applicant), in support of an application for a Section 254 License (the License) to Dun Laoghaire County Council (the Local Authority) for; the installation of a 15m dual operator pole, associated equipment, together with ground-based equipment cabinets and all associated site development works for wireless data and broadband services (the Proposed Development).
- 1.2. The Proposed Development will be installed on the Killiney Hill Road (R119)/Castle Court, Ballybrack, Co. Dublin (the Site).

2. Background

Applicant

- 2.1. This request is being made on behalf of the applicant, namely, Emerald Tower Limited, of 1st Floor, 30313 Lake Drive, City West, Dublin 22, to provide coverage initially for Eir Mobile and then subsequently for a second operator to be co-located on the same pole as Eir Mobile.
- 2.2. Emerald Tower Limited (applicant) is a wholly owned subsidiary of Phoenix Tower International (PTI), the operating company for its Irish operations. PTI is a United States headquartered company with operations in 18 countries worldwide including in Europe (Ireland, Cyprus, France, Malta, Italy and Spain). PTI owns and operates approximately 14,600 telecommunications sites across the world including the Eir Mobile portfolio of approximately 650 telecommunications sites it purchased in 2020. In Ireland, PTI works by leasing space on its portfolio of telecommunications sites to different mobile operators and other providers including wireless broadband providers, ensuring the optimum environmental solution is achieved by the co-location of different operators on PTI's sites.
 - 2.3. Emerald Tower Limited is authorized by ComReg to provide Electronic Communications Services and Networks, which allows them to apply for a license under section 254 (1) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended), for the establishment of overground electronic communications infrastructure and associated physical infrastructure. Please see ComReg's website for further details at https://serviceregister.comreg.ie/Services/Search?q=Emerald

Operator

2.4. The Operator, namely Eircom Limited, trading as eir, is the largest communications provider in Ireland providing an essential public service throughout the country. Its three divisions include a wholesale fixed-line network through its OpenEir unit, providing copper and fibre-based access products to a wide range of Irish telecommunications companies from its telephone exchange network. The company's retail division provides services including fibre broadband and digital TV services for Irish homes and businesses. Eir also operates a national wireless data and broadband network under its own Eir brand and under the GoMo brand, which this proposal is for, and which proposes to become a crucial network point in its national wireless high-speed data and broadband network.

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3. Proposed Development

Site Location

- 3.1. The site is located on a grass verge at the junction of the Killiney Hill Road (R119) and Castle Court. The area immediately surrounding the site is residential in character with housing in Castle Court and along both sides of the R119. Streetlights along with mature trees are sited along the R119. There are lots of urban infrastructure items such as signage, road signs electricity/telegraph poles with overhead cables and mature and semi-mature trees in the immediate vicinity of the site.
- 3.2. The precise location was chosen following receipt of the confined search area received from Eir show in section 4.2 of this document in an entirely residential area where no commercial or industrial areas are present and the location is considered to be the optimum location in terms of its distance from any surrounding residential dwellings within the search area as well as the site location benefiting from all the surrounding trees so it will not be seen as a dominating structure locally.



Figure 1 Site Location







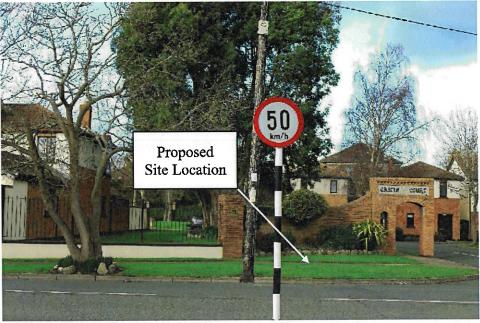


Figure 2 Site Location

Site Ownership

3.3. The site is located on land owned by Dun Laoghaire County Council.

Design

3.4. The proposal is to install a new 'Streetworks Pole' with Eir's antennas to be encased inside the top of the pole, with space for a second operator's antennas below the eir antennas, a cabinet for Eir Mobile and provision for a second cabinet for a subsequent operator to be co-located onto this installation in future. The equipment dimensions are as follows:

Streetworks	Pole	Cabinets (1 & 2)		
Height 15m		Height	1) 1.65m, 2) 1.65m	
Diameter	406mm (Diameter)	Length	1) 1.3m, 2) 1.9m	
or Width		Depth	1) 0.8m, 2) 0.8m	
Area	0.13m ²	Area	1) 1.04m ² , 2) 1.52m ²	
Volume	2.33m³	Volume	1) 1.768m ³ , 2) 2.584m ³	
Colour	Galvanised	Colour	Dark Fir Green	

Total Streetworks Pole & Cabinets					
Area	2.69m ²	Volume	6.682m ³		
Footpath Width 1.42m, Cabinet Doors Open 1.42m, Cabinet Doors Closed 1.42m					

Dishes (2)	300mm (Diameter)	Antennas (encased	4m H x 406mm (Diameter)
		inside pole)	
Colour	Goose Grey	Colour	Galvanised

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- 3.5. Great care and attention have been given to the design of the Proposed Development.
 - It is proposed that the structure will be coloured in a galvanised (CL 3093W) finish and
 will assimilate with the typical sky colour in Ireland and surrounding street infrastructure,
 however, it is possible for the proposed development to be painted in any colour
 including a dark fir green or black finish which could be requested by way of a
 conditional License;
 - Slimline, slender and un-fussy design to minimise any negative visual impacts;
 - Pole design to blend in with existing street infrastructure such as street lighting, road signs poles and traffic lights poles;
 - Sited in relatively close proximity to existing trees and streetlights along Killiney Hill Road for maximum screening purposes along the streetscene;
 - It was decided to locate the proposal here as it is able to be absorbed comfortably by
 its host environment due to the similarity in design to the existing signage and
 electricity/telegraph poles with overhead cables in the surrounding area;
 - Reduced height of 15m as opposed to standard 18m to maintain the lowest possible height to protect residential amenity locally.
- 3.6. As part of Eir Mobile's continued network improvement programme, there is now an urgent requirement in this area to provide new and improved high-speed data and broadband services, for the operator to improve overall network coverage. The site following the proposed installation will be capable of accommodating new, more advanced technologies for two separate operators within the surrounding area. The proposed pole, at an overall height of 15m is the absolute minimum available to support two operators' equipment that will allow all these criteria to be met and to achieve antenna 'line of sight' above the surrounding landscape topography, built form and vegetation. The pole height is lower than the preferred 18m standard height.
- 3.7. Consideration has been given to technical, engineering, environmental, health and safety and land use planning viability in the siting and design of the proposed telecommunication's installation. The height of the structure has been driven by the requirement to achieve the desired level of coverage to the wider area. The proposed location, in our view, would provide the optimum location to site this equipment achieving the desired area and level of coverage, whilst minimising the number of telecommunications installations and minimising visual impact.
- 3.8. In light of the applicant's efforts to design the best solution for this particular site so as to minimise the impact of the development on the environment, it is considered that the appearance of the proposed structure would not seriously impact upon the visual or residential amenity of the area, nor would it form an obtrusive feature within the surrounding area. The proposal strikes a good balance between environmental impact and operational considerations. The proposed height, colour and design represent the best compromise between the visual impact of the proposal on the surrounding area and meeting the technical requirements for the Site. Taking all matters into account, it is considered that this proposal which is to provide new and improved high-speed broadband and data services, initially for eir Mobile and a second operator on a single structure as opposed to having eventually two separate structures in this area, would not be discordant within the local environment.

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4. Technical Justification

4.1. Eir has stated that "As part of Eir Ltd licensing requirements and the continuing rollout of their 3G and 4G networks, Eir requires a site in this area of Bayview, Killiney Co Dublin. The current sites in the area for Eir do not provide adequate indoor service for high-speed mobile broadband in and around the area. Eir's current coverage in this area specifically around Killiney Hill Road, Bayview Drive, Bayview Green, Bayview Cresent, Cromleich Fields, River Close and a section of the dart line are all areas that experience reduced quality of service and capacity and a Mobile base station deployment at the proposed location would greatly support Eir customers in the area."

4.2. Eir Search Ring DN_2946



4.3. Existing Indoor Coverage without DN_2946

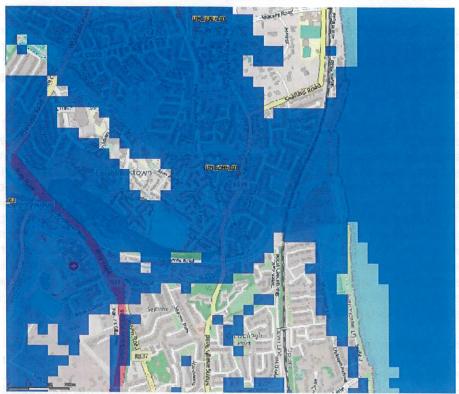




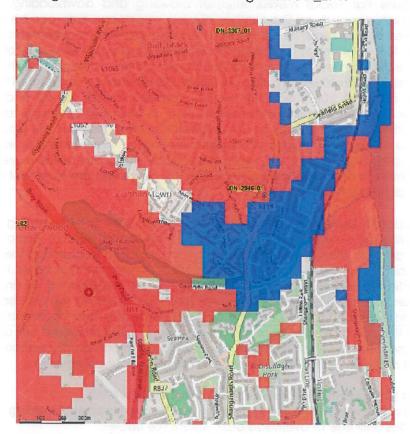




4.4. Predicted New Indoor Coverage with DN_2946



4.5. Existing and Predicted Indoor Coverage with DN_2946









5. Site Selection Process and Discounted Options

- 5.1. Eir will always co-locate on an existing telecommunications structure as a first choice if a suitable existing structure exists, as it has done on many hundreds of its sites in its radio network to date and which it has already done here at the nearest existing 1 out of 4 telecommunications structures (3 of which are within very close proximity of each other) as shown below in table 1.
- 5.2. There are no suitable existing structures in this search area to locate Eir's equipment and the local community in this densely populated residential area currently suffer from a severe lack of high-speed wireless broadband and data services. Eir would not be looking to provide the much-needed coverage here if it could do so by its existing structure. Due to the sheer amount of intervening vegetation and built form as well as the increasing capacity issues on its network as a result of increasing demand here in this densely populated residential area for data services, means Eir cannot meet its wireless broadband and data objectives here without having a new structure which is proposed as a last resort in accordance with the sequencing approach to finding a site in accordance with the 1996 Government Guidelines. The location has been selected on the basis that it is the optimum location in this search area and the only option which is a last resort. The height is the lowest height possible to 'see' over surrounding high trees and built form in the area for two operators to share the same pole.
- To avoid any confusion as to why a new telecommunications installation is required here 5.3. which is a central point in this application, all the mobile operators namely Three, Eir and Vodafone have an obligation to provide 100% coverage throughout the country, including at this location. The nearest existing sites are too far away for the newer technologies to work including 4G and 5G technologies and to a large extent 3G, due to the required data speeds for applications like social media, internet browsing and downloading, the technology range which depends on the number of users at any one time can be only several hundred metres. What is required is a balance between planning requirements and people's entitlements to modern communications facilities which affects their quality of life, which is classed by the government as an essential public service like water and electricity, so these services are required in all areas. Unlike the earlier 2G technology in the late 1990's which had a range of up to 10KM and not several hundred metres for 4G and 5G technologies, so back then masts could be located miles away from their coverage target area, but that is not the case nowadays, so it is respectfully requested that the Council show's flexibility for the newer technologies with regards to siting, whilst protecting amenity, which is what the applicant considers it has done very successfully here as there are no resulting significant environmental impacts resulting from the proposed development as is demonstrated in this planning statement.
- 5.4. The siting of the Proposed Development was decided upon after firstly analysing the requirements to provide new and improved broadband coverage here as explained above in section 4.1 and 4.2. Then a sequential approach was taken to choosing the site in accordance with the County Development Plan and 1996 Government Guidelines. From this a number of existing telecommunications sites (table1) were investigated. To ensure the efficient operation of a radio network, alternative sites must be within the cell search area, which is shown in section 4.1 and 4.2 of this document. These sites must be at relatively high points to ensure the antennas can transmit and receive over the proposed cell area. Sites also must have the following characteristics, they must be environmentally suitable i.e. where any inevitable and associated impacts are within acceptable parameters;
 - Within search ring to meet wireless broadband coverage objectives;
 - Be capable of being developed; sufficient space for pole and cabinets, avoiding underground utilities and free of overhead obstructions like cables;
 - Acceptable distance from any surrounding residential dwellings;

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- Sufficient pavement space for wheelchair access and buggys/prams;
- Available power and fibre connections nearby.
- 5.5. In compliance with each operator's license, all attempts to utilise any existing telecommunications structures where they represent the optimum environmental solution have been employed. The ComReg site Finder mast register was used to search for existing sites in the area which is the most up to date source of information and is shown in the table 1 below.

No.	Site Location	Location	Reason
1	Shanganagh Road, Glenageary, Ballybrack	E: 325255 N: 224027	This site is significantly outside the search ring. It is not a shareable structure and is completely surrounded by dense mature trees. Vodafone is located at this site so it would not meet Eir's coverage objective here.
2	Cherrywood Business Park, Loughlinstown	E: 324277 N: 223232	Sites 2, 3 and 4 are located within very close proximity of each other. This site is significantly outside the search ring. Eir is located on this site, so it would not meet Eir's coverage objective here.
3	Cherrywood Business Park, Loughlinstown	E: 324242 N: 223202	This site is significantly outside the search ring. Vodafone is already located at this site and is located in close proximity to an Eir site (No. 2) so it would not meet Eir's coverage objective here.
4	Cherrywood, Glenageary Loughlinstown	E: 324240 N: 223027	This site is significantly outside the search ring. Three is already located at this site and is located in close proximity to an Eir site (No. 2) so it would not meet Eir's coverage objective here.

5.6. During the alternative sites assessment, there were no suitable existing telecommunications sites identified which would be capable of providing the coverage required in this instance. As you can clearly see in the Comreg map below there is a total absence of existing telecommunications sites in this area along Ratoath Road, hence why Eir requires a site here.

Figure 3 ComReg Site Finder depicting existing telecommunications sites in the area.

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6. Evironmental Considerations

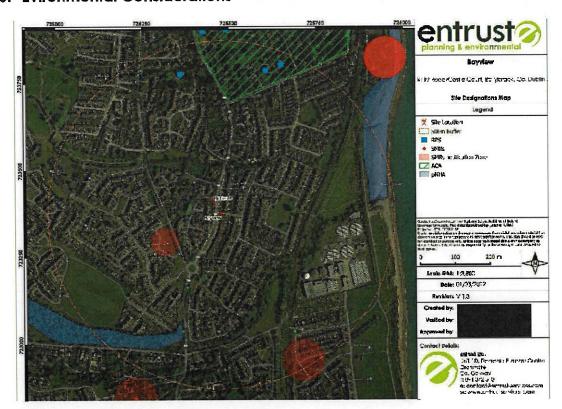


Figure 4: Environmental Designations Map







Heritage, Ecology and Landscape

6.1. As can be seen in the Environmental Designations Map above in Figure 4, the proposal is suitably distanced away from any heritage, landscape and ecological sensitive designated areas that will not be impacted by the proposal.

Health

6.2. Compliance with emission limits is regulated by ComReg. A license to provide services is subject to compliance with strict emission controls. The limits are specified by the International Commission for Non-lonising Radiation Protection (ICNIRP), including for this site since it was first built. We attach an ICNIRP Declaration as evidence of this compliance.

Visual Assessment

6.3. The contents of this section of the document have been prepared in accordance with the Guidelines for Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment (3rd Edition) 2013. This section of the report should be read in conjunction with the attached photomontage and wireframe report.

Sensitivity	Typical descriptors	
High	Receptors with proprietary interest in the view such as residential properties, and receptors undertaking recreating where the view is a key reason for the activity, e.g. user of public footpaths and bridleways and open access land.	
Medium	Receptors with moderate interest in their environment, e.g. workers, pedestrian cyclists and other non-motorised users of major movement corridors and people taking part in outdoor sports	
Low	Receptors with passing of momentary interest in their environment, e.g. motor	

Table 2: Visual Sensitivity

- 6.4. The sensitivity of a visual receptor is determined by a combination of the value of the view and the susceptibility of the visual receptors to the change that the Proposed Development will have on the view. Visual receptors are the people who will be experiencing the views.
- 6.5. Magnitude of Change is an expression of the extent of the effect on the visual receptors that will result from the introduction of the Proposed Development. The magnitude of change is assessed in terms of the size and scale of the effect and the geographical extent of the area influenced.
- 6.6. Levels of magnitude of change high, medium to high, medium, medium to low and low are applied in order that the judgement used in the process of appraisal is made clear. The criteria used to determine magnitude of change differ for the effects on landscape receptors and visual receptors, as well as the cumulative effects on both.

Magnitude	Description of Change		
Large	Total loss or major alteration to key landscape elements/features/characteristics such that post development the landscape character area would be fundamentally changed.		
Medium	Partial loss or alteration to one or more key landscape elements/features/characteristics such that post development the landscape character area would be partially changed		
Low	Minor loss or alteration to one or more key landscape elements/features/characteristics such that post development the change/loss would be discernible, but the landscape character would be similar to the baseline.		

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Negligible	Very minor loss of alteration to one or more key landscape elements/features/characteristics of the baseline conditions. Change would be barely distinguishable approximating to no change.
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Table 3: Magnitude of Change

- 6.7. The magnitude of change resulting from the Proposed Development on a visual receptor is made by combining the assessment of size or scale of the change in views and the geographical extent over which such changes occur.
- 6.8. Effects on Visual Receptors The level of the effect is determined through the combination of the sensitivity with the magnitude of change that will be brought about by the Proposed Development. The appraisal applies professional judgement and identifies the level of effect defined as being minor, moderate or major. Intermediate levels may also be applied such as minor-moderate and moderate major.

Magnitude of Change Visual Sensitivity	High	Medium- High	Medium	Medium-Low	Low	Negligible
High	Major	Major	Moderate /Low	Moderate/Low	Moderate/Low	Negligible
Medium-High	Major	Major- Moderate /Low	Major- Moderate /Low	Moderate/Low	Moderate/Low or Moderate- Minor	Negligible
Medium	Major- Moderate /Low	Major- Moderate /Low	Moderate /Low	Moderate/Low or Moderate- Minor	Moderate/Low -Minor	Negligible
Medium-Low	Major- Moderate /Low	Moderate /Low	Moderate /Low or Moderate -Minor	Moderate/Low -Minor	Moderate/Low or Moderate- Minor	Negligible
Low	Moderate /Low	Moderate /Low or Moderate -Minor	Moderate /Low - Minor	Moderate /Low or Moderate- Minor	Minor	Negligible

Table 5: Illustrative Matrix of Effects

- 6.9. Where the visual effect has been classified as Major or Major/Moderate significant effects may occur. Effects identified as moderate or less are not considered to be significant. As with many aspects of visual assessment, significance of effect also needs to be quantified with respect to the scale over which it is felt. An effect may be locally significant, or significant with respect to a small number of receptors, but not significant when judged in a wider context.
- 6.10. Any effect may be described as temporary or permanent, direct or indirect, positive or negative and cumulative and these various types of effect described below have a bearing on the acceptability or otherwise of any impact. Visual effects can be described as temporary or permanent and reversible or irreversible. Due to the long-term nature of telecommunications structures, they are generally regarded as a long-term reversible addition to the landscape preserving the choice for future generations whether or not to retain what might be regarded as the landscape fabric of today.
- 6.11. It is possible to identify a number of sensitive receptors within the study area, which should then be further investigated through field visits and the production of photomontages and wirelines. The most important viewpoints (VPs) are identified as being points whereby the

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Proposed Development is likely to show the greatest amount of visibility or impact on the largest number of users and as such these warranted further investigation.

These VP's are:

VP1 - Killiney Road north of the site

VP2 - Castle Court southwest of the site

VP3 – Killiney Road south of the site

VP4 - Cromlech Fields southwest of the site

- 6.12. The photomontages attached will illustrate the views from locations where the proposed communications mast would be theoretically visible. This is in turn has informed the locations of the final viewpoints. The viewpoints were selected where theoretical points of visibility intersected public roads, residential areas, cultural heritage assets and public rights of way (PROWs).
- 6.13. Visual impact assessment in relation to the Proposed Development. It is ascertained, however, that the considered viewpoints are locations which are publicly accessible and expose the development in its fullest form in order to assess the highest possible impact of the proposal. The remainder of this section now considers each of these viewpoints in turn and discusses the potential impact of the Proposed Development and comments on its potential significance.

Table 6: Viewpoints Analysis

Viewpoint 1					
viewpoini i	VP1 – Killiney Road north of the site				
	E: 725506 N: 723577	Distance to Proposal: 171.9m			
Existing Character	This viewpoint (VP) is taken along the Killin the site. In the foreground are residential background is a copse of mature and se infrastructure items such as street lighting	dwellings and in the mi-mature trees and			
Receptor Type and Sensitivity	The typical receptor at this location would	The typical receptor at this location would be residential dwellings, along with road users such as pedestrians, motorists and cyclists. The sensitivity is			
Nature of Change	From this viewpoint, the proposal is visible, however, the design of the development is similar to the existing street infrastructure, meaning it will be easily absorbed into the streetscape without any resulting significant impacts.				
Magnitude of Change	In relation to the view at this VP, the magnitude of change is considered to be low with a predicted minor loss or alteration to one or more key landscape elements/features/characteristics such that post development the change/loss would be discernible, but the landscape character would be similar to the baseline.				
Summary of	Sensitivity: High (Residential Dwelling, Road users)				
Visual Assessment	Magnitude: Low				
	Level of effect: Moderate-Low				
Significant effect?	No	1921			







Viewpoint 2	VP2 – Castle Court southwest of the site E: 725395 N: 723390 Distance to Proposal: 64m	
Existing Character	This viewpoint (VP) is taken in Castle Court, approx. 64m southwest of the site. This is a residential area dominated by green spaces, housing estates, signage, and streetlights.	
Receptor Type and Sensitivity	The typical receptor at this location would be residential dwellings, along with road users such as pedestrians, motorists and cyclists. The sensitivity is therefore high.	
Nature of Change	Given the immediate proximity of the proposal to this viewpoint about the top one third of it is visible which is seen protruding above a number of dwellings. The development is of similar design to the existing streetlights in the surrounding area and is a slender structure which blends in well with the sky colour. Therefore, the proposal is considered to be easily assimilated into its host environment without being detrimental to the character of the area.	
Magnitude of Change	In relation to the view at this VP, the magnitude of change is considered to be low with a predicted minor loss or alteration to one or more key landscape elements/features/characteristics such that post development the change/loss would be discernible, but the landscape character would be similar to the baseline.	
Summary of	Sensitivity: High (Residential Dwelling, Road users)	
Visual Assessment	Magnitude: Low Level of effect: Moderate/Low	
Significant effect?	No	

Viewpoint 3	VP3 – Killiney Road south of the site E: 725405 N: 723242	Distance to Proposal: 178m		
Existing Character	This view is located on Killiney Road approview is dominated by residential developm	k. 178m south of the site. The nents, trees and streetlights.		
Receptor Type and Sensitivity				
Nature of Change From this VP, only the very tip of the proposal is visible protrudin number of dwellings rooftops. The exiting residential development provide screening, and the design of the proposal is similar to the streetlights and street poles already in the area. Therefore, the will be comfortably absorbed into the environment and landsc				
Magnitude of Change In relation to the view at this VP, the magnitude of change to be negligible with a resulting very minor loss of alteration more key landscape elements/features/characteristics of conditions. Change would be barely distinguishable approchange.		loss of alteration to one or naracteristics of the baseline		
Summary of Sensitivity: High (Residential Dwelling, Road users)		d users)		
Visual Assessment	Magnitude: Negligible			
Significant effect?	No			

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Viewpoint 4	VP4 – Cromlech Fields southwest of the site E: 725279 N: 723278	Distance to Proposal: 221.5m			
Existing Character	This viewpoint is located approximately 221r southwest in Cromlech Fields. The area is do development and open grass areas, along overhead cables.	minated by a residential			
Receptor Type and Sensitivity	Primary receptors at this location would be to dwellings along with road users such as mot The sensitivity is therefore high.	the adjacent residential orists, pedestrians and cyclists.			
Nature of Change	The proposed development will not be visible from the perspective of the viewpoint as it is screened by the existing residential development. Therefore, the nature of change is considered to be negligible.				
Magnitude of Change	In relation to the view at this exact VP, the notion considered to be negligible as the proposal will be no loss or alteration to one or more keelements/features/characteristics.	is not visible. Therefore, there			
Summary of	Sensitivity: High (Residential Dwelling, Road u	users)			
Visual Assessment	Magnitude: Negligible				
	Level of effect: Negligible				
Significant effect?	No				

7. Relevant Planning Policy and Guidance

National Planning Framework (NPF)

- 7.1. Under the NPF, one of the 10 goals or national strategic outcomes is to create a strong economy that can foster enterprise and innovation and attract talent and investment. It states that delivering this outcome will require the coordination of growth and place making with investment in world class infrastructure including digital connectivity, which this application supports. It also supports a second goal regarding international connectivity.
- 7.2. Under the NPF, in Chapter 4, regarding Urban Places, this well designed and located proposal supports Objective 4 to ensure the creation of attractive, liveable, well designed, high quality urban places that are home to diverse and integrated communities that enjoy a high quality of life and well-being.
- 7.3. Within the NPF it is emphasised how in the information age, telecommunications networks play a crucial role in enabling social and economic activity. In section 2.2, one of the NPF's strategies is to strengthen Ireland's digital connectivity by 5 measures, one of which is to improve local connectivity to principal communications (broadband) networks.
- 7.4. In section 5.1 the NPF states that a major focus will be on addressing connectivity gaps in communications infrastructure.
- 7.5. Analysis: this proposal supports two of the ten goals of the NPF in improving digital connectivity, including international connectivity for not only a strong local economy but also to encourage social interaction. Ever since the original 2G mobile networks were built in the late 1990's, national and local policy has changed since then from acknowledging the economic benefits of the then wireless voice communications networks to nowadays acknowledging the social benefits of modern day wireless broadband communications networks which has recently been most evident during the Covid pandemic where many







people's only social interaction with family and friends was through hand held digital devices like mobile phones, tablets and laptops. There has never been a greater socioeconomic appreciation or need for wireless broadband with home working / hybrid working as well as for social interaction and helping to alleviate social isolation, which this proposal strongly supports and as such will help to improve the quality of the lives of the local community here.

Regional Planning Guidelines for the Greater Dublin Area 2010-2022 (RPG)

Connectivity Infrastructure – Telecommunications (Section 3.5.7)

7.6. Advanced telecommunications services are critical for the attraction of foreign direct investment, for the development of indigenous industry and the promotion of the knowledge economy. The increasing importance of services to the economy, in particular those that are structured around electronic transactions and information flows, makes it essential that the region has access to advanced and cost competitive communications services. For SMEs, effective use of ICT allows them to compete more effectively with their counterparts in other markets, for example by reducing costs and improving the quality of services to their customer base.

Energy & Communications (Section 6.6)

7.7. The provision of advanced telecommunication networks and services, including Next Generation Networks, is critical to ensuring that the GDA places itself in the right position to capitalise on emerging markets, business opportunities and to attract skilled workers. Access to advanced and cost competitive telecommunication services will help the GDA region become more competitive within global markets.

Telecommunications (Section 6.6.3)

- 7.8. Broadband infrastructure development remains an area which requires continuing ongoing investment. Broadband and in particular next generation connectivity are integral to further developing the competitiveness of the Irish economy.
- 7.9. **Analysis:** The proposal ensures the continuing investment in new and improved broadband in this area for the socio-economic benefit of the local community and for the wider economic competitiveness of the Greater Dublin Are.

Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Development Plan 2022-2028 (CDP)

Telecommunications (Section 10.6.1)

- 7.10. The widespread availability of a high-quality telecommunications network throughout DLR is critical to the development of a knowledge economy, will help attract inward investment in hi-tech knowledge-based industries and will engender the image of the County as the premier entrepreneurial County in the State. It will also assist home working thereby reducing commuting.
- 7.11. It is a Policy Objective to promote and facilitate the provision of an appropriate telecommunications infrastructure, including broadband, fibre optic connectivity and other technologies, within the County.

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Telecommunications (Section 12.9.8)

- 7.12. In the consideration of proposals for telecommunications antennae and support structures, applicants will be required to demonstrate:
 - Compliance with the Planning Guidelines for 'Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures' (1996), and Circular Letter PL 08/12 issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government (as may be amended from time to time), and to other publications and material as may be relevant in the circumstances.
 - On a map the location of all existing telecommunications structures within a 1km radius of the proposed site, stating reasons why (if not proposed) it is not feasible to share existing facilities having regard to the 'Code of Practice on Sharing of Radio Sites', issued by the Commission for Communications Regulation.
 - To what degree the proposal will impact on the amenities of occupiers of nearby properties, or the amenities of the area e.g. visual impacts of masts and associated equipment cabinets, security fencing treatment etc. and the potential for mitigating visual impacts including low and mid level landscape screening, treetype masts being provided where appropriate, colouring, or painting of masts and antennae, and considered access arrangements.
 - Any impacts on rights-of-way and walking routes.
 - That the proposal shall not have a significant negative visual impact.

Zoning

- 7.13. The site which forms part of the local road infrastructure is not zoned.
- Analysis: The Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Development Plan 2022-2028 (CDP) 7.14. underlines that telecommunications infrastructure is a key requirement within the County. The availability of services such as high-speed broadband is essential to the national economy but also to local communities in everyday life. It is considered by the applicant that this proposal fully adheres to; Policy Objective El20 as the proposal promotes and facilitates the provision of an appropriate telecommunications infrastructure. The proposal is fully compliant with the Planning Guidelines for 'Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures' (1996) as is shown below. It has been demonstrated that in Figure 3 and Table 1 of this document why the nearest existing telecommunications structures of which Eir is located on one of them cannot be used, the predicted visual impact has been described in section 6 of this document supported by the accompanying photomontage report which predicts a maximum level of moderate-low visual impact in the area immediately surrounding the proposal in two viewpoints and a negligible visual impact in the other two viewpoints. In section 3.5 and 3.6, the proposed design of the structure was discussed where it was confirmed that the pole which is of low height at 15m as they are normally 18m can be painted in any colour that the Planning Authority may prefer however a galvanised colour is proposed to match existing streetlights and to blend in with the typical sky colour. It is proposed that the cabinets are to be green to blend in with its grass verge location. It is also intentionally sited close to mature trees in the immediately surrounding area for maximum screening purposes and is an acceptable distance from any surrounding dwellings in the area to protect residential amenity.

Department of Environment Heritage and Local Government, Telecommunications, Antenna and Support Structures (Guidelines for Planning Authorities – 1996) and Circular PL07/12

7.15. Government policy for the development of telecommunications infrastructure is set out in the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures (1996) and Circular Letter PL07/12 which updated certain sections of the Guidelines.

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- 7.16. Paragraph 1.2 states that: 'The Government's telecommunications policy aims to place Ireland in the top quartile of OECD economies as regards the availability, price and quality of telecommunications services in order to promote industrial and commercial development, to improve personal and household security and to enhance social interchange and mobility.'
- 7.17. With regards to visual impact, the Guidelines detail that: 'In most cases the applicant will only have limited flexibility as regards location, given the constraints arising from radio planning parameters, etc., already referred to.'
- 7.18. The guidelines recommend a hierarchy of suitable locations for telecommunications equipment which has been followed here as part of the site selection process, and which has been demonstrated has a lack of existing telecommunications structures within this search area.
- 7.19. In regard to co-location and sharing, section 4.5 states that 'Sharing of installations (antennae support structures) will normally reduce the visual impact on the landscape' and 'All applicants will be encouraged to share and will have to satisfy the authority that they have made a reasonable effort to share'. It is confirmed that Emerald Tower Limited actively encourages the sharing of all infrastructure in its portfolio which is the case for this proposal also.

Report of the Mobile and Broadband Taskforce and Action Plan for Rural Development

- 7.20. The purpose of the taskforce report (published by the Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment) and the Action Plan for Rural Development (published by the Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs) in 2016 is to deliver the National Broadband Plan (NBP) in the shortest time possible and to reduce Ireland's urban-rural divide.
- 7.21. There are 40 actions contained within the taskforce report which require the co-operation of multiple stakeholders from government departments to industry providers. The actions contained within the report serve to eliminate barriers to the timely development of communications infrastructure in advance of, and in tandem with NBP State-led intervention.
- 7.22. The Section 254 licensing process emerged from this taskforce to help deliver broadband infrastructure more quickly by removing barriers to its deployment. It differs from the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended), Schedule 2, Class 31 Telecommunications, in that Section 254 licensing relates solely to public roads and not to other property under the Regulations. Section 254 requires high standards of design and adherence to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area which this proposal full complies with as is set out within this document.







8. Conclusions

- 8.1. Taking into consideration all the relevant factors set out here in this document, it is considered that this proposed telecommunications pole is the optimum solution in terms of providing the required technology coverage, minimising any adverse impacts on local amenity and the surrounding townscape within a very confined search area provided by Eir and shown in section 4.2. The site is considered to be appropriately located as it is not located within any sensitive landscape designation. The site location of the proposed development benefits from the presence of mature trees along with streetlights close by along Killiney Hill Road(R119) and is located where it will have the least possible impact on residential amenity locally. It is considered that the proposal is at the minimum height possible of 15m as it is a standard 18m height to protect residential amenity and for the colocation of two separate operators on the same pole, is able to be absorbed comfortably by its host environment as it is similar in design to existing signage, road signs and electricity/telegraph poles with overhead cables in the immediate vicinity of the site.
- 8.2. The height proposed at 15m is the lowest possible height for two operators to be co-located on the same pole to provide the required technology coverage by having 'line of sight' above the immediate built form and vegetation. The applicant's standard pole height is 18m and the preferred height, however, to protect residential amenity and for it to function technically here it has been proposed at 15m.
- 8.3. It has been shown in section 6 of the document, that there are No Significant Environmental Impacts predicted as a result of the Proposed Development. The attached photomontage report demonstrates that there will not be any significant visual impacts as a result of this proposal, however, that there are Significant Benefits to be provided by the Proposed Development for the local community by having access to the most up to date wireless broadband and data services, to be provided by a national mobile broadband operator on a slender structure, and making provision for another operator, thus obliviating the need for up to two separate structures in the same area and the environmental damage it would cause, which it is considered should be considered carefully in determining the planning 'balance' by the Planning Authority.
- 8.4. Broadband is now considered an essential public service like water and electricity and the applicant urges the Planning Authority to assess the planning balance carefully here in terms of the public benefits associated with the proposal as opposed to the limited disbenefits (limited visual impact) which are considered to be far outweighed in accordance with national and local policy.
- 8.5. As has been demonstrated in section 7 of this document, this proposal is in full accordance with the aforementioned policies and guidance, including the 1996 Government Guidelines and Development Plan, with regards to the sequential approach to locating telecommunications equipment and which actively encourages co-location, to prevent the proliferation of masts, which this application proposes.
- 8.6. Therefore, in the absence of any significant harm to the site and its surrounds and in view of supporting policy at national and local level in favour of this proposal, the applicant therefore respectfully asks the Local Authority to grant a license for this proposal.

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Insurer & Policy Number:

Policy Period: 18th July 2021 to 22nd April 2022 both days inclusive

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Number: Convex Insurance UK Ltd – TBC

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Radio Emissions Statement

As an operator of a Mobile Telecommunications Network *Eir Ltd* is aware of its requirements in relation to management of electromagnetic field radiation and are committed to management of risk to our employees, members of the public and any other groups who may be affected by our networks. All of the radio equipment on our network and our radio base stations are "Safe by Design" and are designed to meet international health and safety standards and best practice, including the relevant guidance from International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection (ICNIRP) and from the Communications Regulator in Ireland.

Eir Ltd own and operate mobile telecommunications sites across Ireland. These sites are built and managed to operate within the limits for exposure to Electromagnetic Fields which are set by the Communications Regulator and are based on guidance from the International Council for Non-Ionising Radiation Protection (ICNIRP) and meet the requirements of directives from the European Commission. The issue of radiation from Mobile Phones has been a concern for many people since the introduction of this technology significant numbers of studies have been performed and have been reviewed by international experts. The World Health Organisation in their fact sheet on Electromagnetic fields and public health: mobile phones have stated that "A large number of studies have been undertaken on both acute and long-term effects from HF (High Frequency EMF Radiation) exposure typical of base stations. Research at these levels of exposure has provided no conclusive evidence of any related adverse health effects". (Ref; http://www.who.int/mediacentre/factsheets/fs193/en/). In their on line Q&A on Mobile Phones and Cancer the WHO also states "Studies to date provide no indication that environmental exposure to RF fields, such as from base stations, increases the risk of cancer anv other disease." (http://www.who.int/features/ga/30/en/)

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that there are no evident adverse health effects if exposure remains below the levels recommended by the EU legislation.

Our antennae are well below this level) Overall, the epidemiological studies on radiofrequency EMF exposure do not show an increased risk of brain tumours. Furthermore, they do not indicate an increased risk for other cancers of the head and neck region."

The maximum exposure levels that are set by ICNIRP for Public exposure to radiation in the mobile phone frequency range is 28 V/m. All of our sites are designed and maintained to operate well within these guideline limits. Independent compliance inspections that are carried out for our company and are published by the Communications Regulator on their website (www.siteviewer.ie) show that the levels of EMF radiation from mobile telecoms masts in Ireland ranges between 0.5-3V/m, well within the safe exposure limits advised by international experts.

We continue to monitor the advice and guidance given by Government, international experts and equipment manufacturers to ensure that the sites that we operate continue to operate well within the limits set for exposure of members of the public and for our employees and contractors who will work at your location.

Internal Documentation References:

Meteor Mobile Communications Design and Build Specification and Guidelines Standard Safe Operating practices - Mobile Network

Statement Prepared By:

Date: 12/07/17



Date: 25/05/2022

To whom it may concern,

I can confirm that Emerald Tower Limited (and its group companies; Phoenix Ireland HoldCo Limited and Phoenix Tower Ireland Limited) has a current Safety Statement in place.

The registered office of Emerald Tower Limited is 10 Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin D02 T380.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

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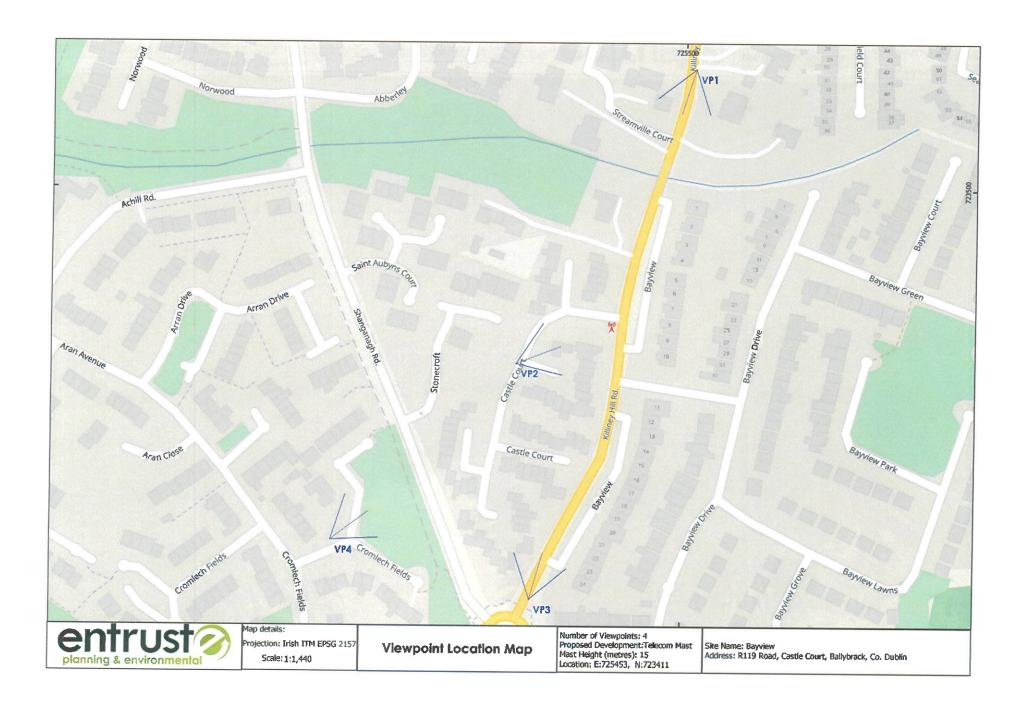
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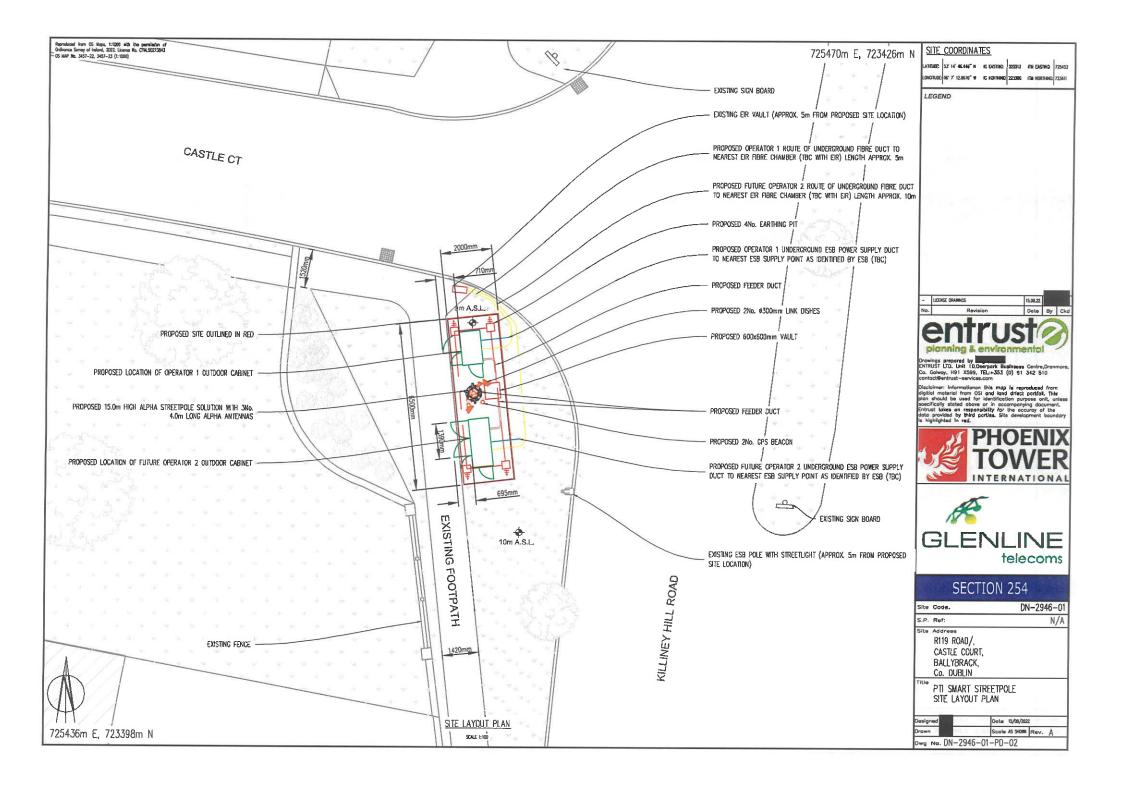
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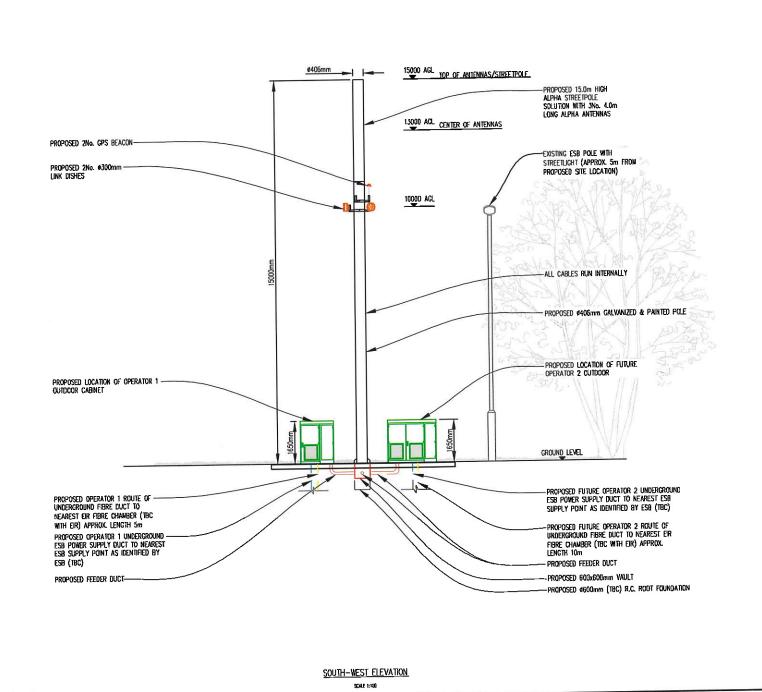
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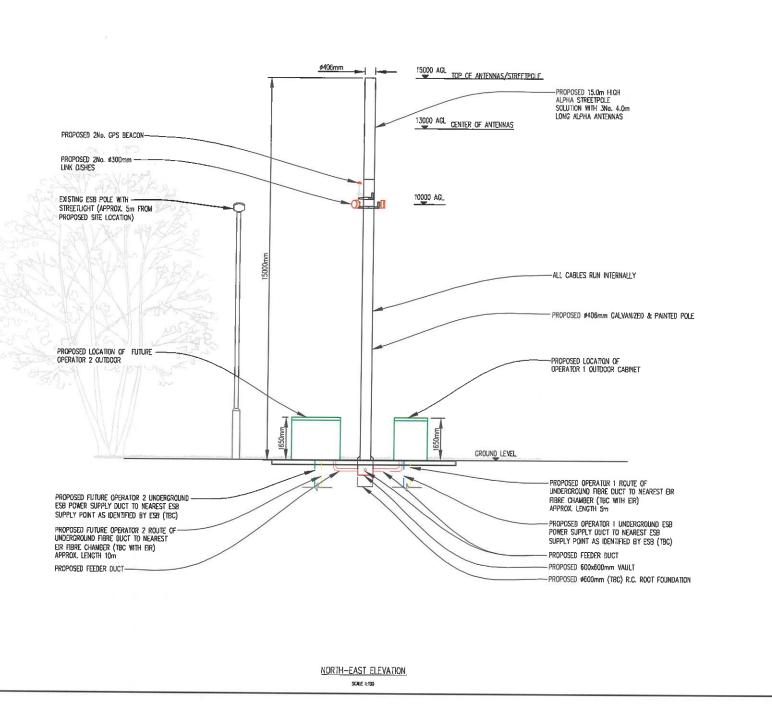


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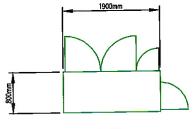




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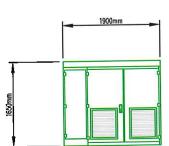
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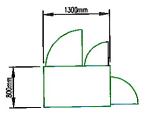
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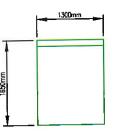
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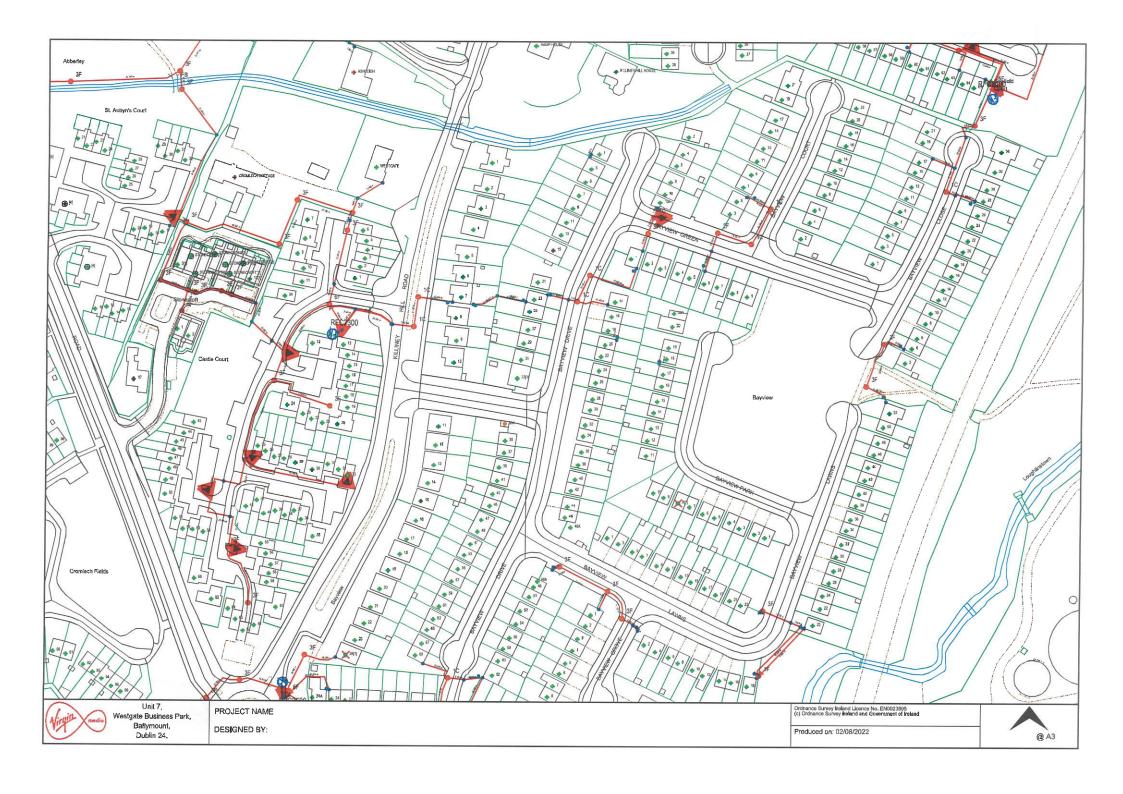
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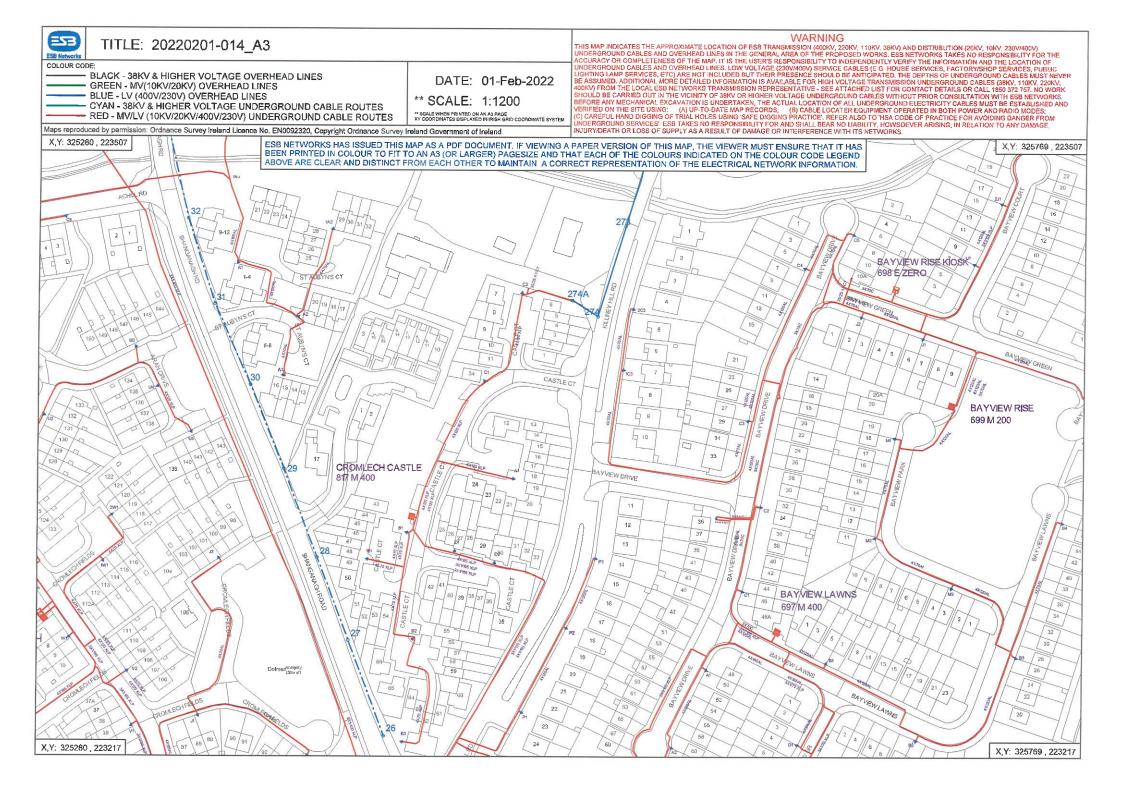
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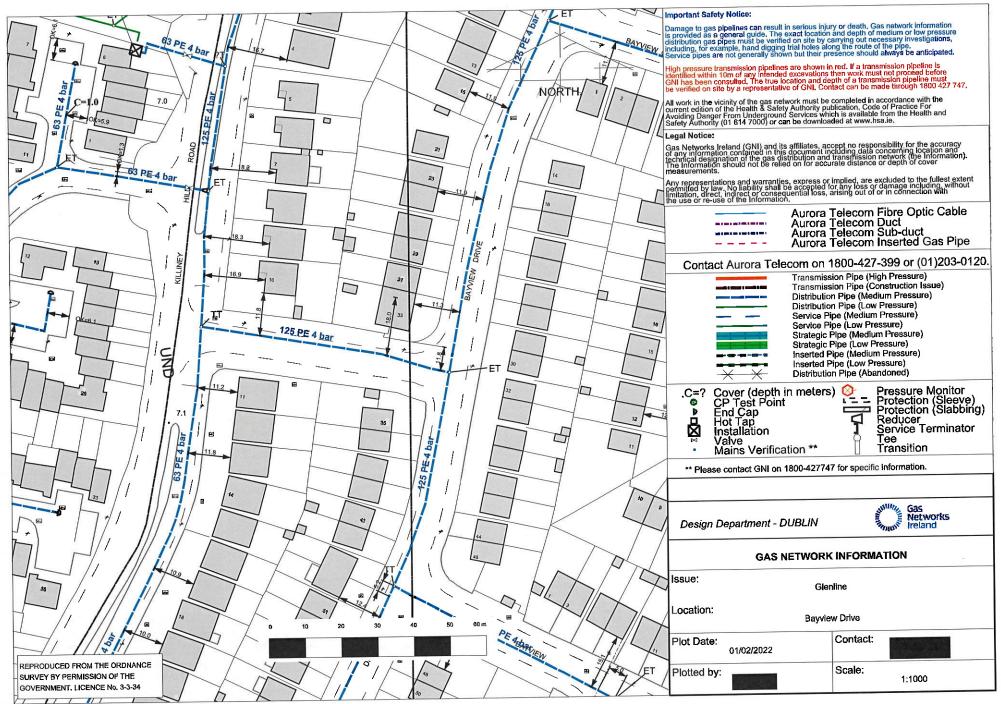
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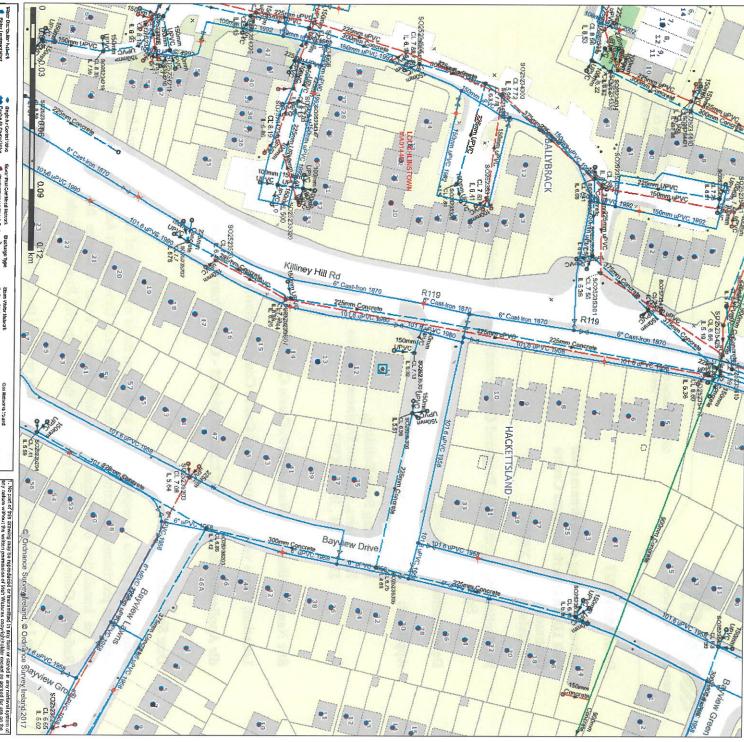








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Date: 18/01/2023

Entrust Planning & Environmental Unit 1D, Deerpark Business Centre Oranmore, Co. Galway, H91 X599

Re: Section 254 Application- Proposed Overground Telecommunications Streetworks

Solution

Date Received: 05.09.2022

Applicant: Emerald Tower Limited

1st Floor, 3013,

Marketing Suite Building,

Lake Drive, Citywest Business Campus

Dublin 24, D24 YXW2

Site Name: Killiney Hill Road (R119)/Castle Court, Ballybrack, Co. Dublin

Location: Grass verge at entrance of Castle Court residential estate, along Killiney Road.

dlr Application Reference: CTT.22.047-266695 - Castle Court, Killiney

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you in response to the application made on behalf of Emerald Tower Limited under the provisions of Section 254 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) for the installation of communications infrastructure under a license from Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council at the junction of the Killiney Hill Road and Castle Court.

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council have reviewed the application and wish to advise that the license request has been refused.

Parks & Landscape Services are not in favour of the proposed location on the basis of what is perceived to be significant negative visual amenity impacts and the negative implications on current parks maintenance operations.







Road Maintenance object to the proposed location on the grounds that the proposed pole and cabinets will have significant cumulative impact on the overall visibility envelope at this junction given their dimensions. It is therefore recommended to locate them against wall or to other suitable locations as unobtrusively as possible.

Following the feedback from Road Maintenance, the area was further inspected, and it is considered that there is insufficient space to relocate the pole and cabinets against the wall or in close proximity to the proposed location

Traffic has an objection to the location of the mast and cabinets as the proposed location will interfere with sight lines for traffic exiting Castle Court and as such will create an issue for Road Safety.

Please find accompanying memo from Parks and Landscape Services, Road Maintenance and Traffic Sections which detail the reasons for refusal.

Yours faithfully,

Margaret O'Carroll,
Clerical Officer
Roads Maintenance

