

## **Sprotbrough and Cusworth Parish Council**

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For the attention of David Richards Doncaster Council

25th October 2022

Sent via email

Dear David,

Planning reference: 22/02224/TEL - Erection of 17m high monopole telecommunications equipment and cabinets - Grass Verge Off Boat Lane Main Street Sprotbrough Doncaster

Thank you for your notification of the above application on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022. The Parish Council discussed the application at its meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022 and wish to make the following observations;

- 1. The Parish Council are concerned with the location of the proposed mast and equipment being highly visible within the Sprotbrough Conservation Area and also in direct view of the Grade 1 listed building St Mary's Church. Such equipment would not be in keeping with the street scene and would be a detractor to the current historic core of the village. The proposed location is inappropriate and there is no indication within the papers submitted by the applicant to support the application what other locations have been considered and why this location has been chosen.
- 2. Concern is also raised with regard to the necessity of such equipment and the volume of such applications coming forward in the Parish. Again no further information has been provided by the applicant in this regard.
- 3. The proposed location is close to a difficult road crossing at the top of Boat Lane, being a three-way junction with Main Street, which is used as access to the local primary and junior schools in Sprotbrough (Orchard and Copley). A new dropped kerb has been installed on Boat Lane to assist this however the introduction of the proposed mast and equipment, given their size and scale, would act as a further obstacle for pedestrians safely crossing the road.

Taking into account the comments set out above the Parish Council **OBJECT** to the proposed development and the application should be **REFUSED** 

If you require any further detail from us at this stage please let me know and we look forward to receiving your responses to the above points.

Kind regards,

E. Gane

Emma Garner Clerk to the Council