## PLANNING DEVELOPMENT CONTROL (TELECOMMUNICATIONS) SUB COMMITTEE

## **16 December 2003**

Attendance:
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Councillors:

Bennetts (Chairman) (P)

Baxter (P) Busher (P) Johnston (P) Pearson (P) Sutton (P) Read (P)

Officers in attendance:

Mrs S Proudlock (Team Manager (DC West)

1. TEMPORARY INSTALATION (12 MONTHS) OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT COMPRISING 22 METRE HIGH POLE TO SUPPORT THREE ANTENNAE AND ONE 600MM TRANSMISSION DISH, ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT CABIN AND GENERATOR IN FENCED COMPOUND (RETROSPECTIVE) FOR AIRWAVE MM02 - RAGLINGTON FARM, BOTLEY ROAD, SHEDFIELD.

The Sub-Committee met at the application site at Raglington Farm, Botley Road, Shedfield. The Chairman welcomed to the meeting Mr Holt from LCC, the agent representing the applicant Airwave MM02 Limited.

Mrs Proudlock explained that a full planning application had been submitted on behalf of Airwave MMO2 for the temporary erection (12 months) of telecommunications equipment as detailed above. Members were reminded that this was a retrospective application following notification to the Council's planning enforcement team as the equipment had been erected without planning permission. A number of representations had been received raising concerns including the visual intrusion of the mast and perceived associated heath risks.

The Sub-Committee noted that the mast was visible from the A334 although this would be reduced by tree foliage. The nearest residential property was located 194 metres from the site and the applicant had provided a certificate of compliance with the ICNIRP guidelines.

Further to questions, Mr Holt explained that the applicant had obtained permission in May 2003 to share the existing '02' mast situated close by. However, satisfactory legal agreements with the landowner had not been

achieved in time for the necessary testing of the network. Therefore, the temporary installation had been erected. He reported that preliminary works on permanent structure had now been completed and his client was satisfied that the issues regarding legal consents were to be overcome imminently. Therefore his client advised that the 12-month consent requested could be substantially reduced.

Mr Holt explained that all temporary equipment would be removed by the end of the consent period. Referring to the earlier consent given for the sharing of the permanent structure, Members were reminded that all equipment would be housed in existing cabinets.

In conclusion, Members supported the application. However, it was agreed that the Chairman write to the Chief Executive of MM02 to remind them of the necessary consultative procedures prior to the construction of such equipment. Furthermore, it was requested that the Director of Development Services notify Shedfield Parish Council, local Ward Members and residents of the circumstances surrounding the application. Further to discussion and consultation with the applicant's agent, it was agreed that a satisfactory end-date to the temporary period of consent should be 31 March 2004.

## RESOLVED:

That planning permission be granted subject to the following conditions:

1. 1TEM((31 March 2004)(the mast and the associated equipment hereby permitted shall be removed)
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The meeting commenced at 9.40am and concluded at 10.05pm.

Chairman