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**Response to Planning application from Hertfordshire County Council (T and CP GDP Order 2015)**

**Director of Planning**

North Hertfordshire Council  
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Hertfordshire  
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District ref: 25/01258/TD  
HCC ref: NH/25031/2025  
HCC received: 16 May 2025  
Area manager: Manjinder Sehmi  
Case officer: Shamsul Huda

**Location**

Telecommunications Mast Hrt7007, Hawthorn Close, Hitchin, Hertfordshire,

**Application type**

Telecommunications Determination

**Proposal**

The proposed upgrade of an existing telecommunications base station installation comprising the removal of the existing antennas from a 9m lamppost and 1 no existing equipment cabinets and replacement with a 20m monopole supporting 9 no antennas, with wraparound cabinet at the base, together with 2 no additional equipment cabinets and ancillary development thereto.

**Recommendation**

Notice is given under article 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 that Hertfordshire County Council as Highway Authority does not wish to restrict the grant of permission.

**COMMENTS:**

Key documents and policy use to assess the application are.

1. National Planning Policy Framework (Dec 2024).
2. HCC's Place & Movement Planning Design Guidance adopted in March 2024 Hertfordshire County Council's (HCC) Local Transport Plan-4 [2018-2031, May 2018]
3. HCC's Dropped Kerb Policy May -2024
4. Manual For Street (MfS1 2007)
5. North Herts Local Planning policy [2011-2031]

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The proposed location is located along Hawthorn Close which is an unclassified road and speed limit is 30mph.

Taking all into in account, the Highway Authority considers that the proposal would not have significant impact to the adjacent highway network, hence no objection is offered.

**Signed**

Shamsul Huda

6 June 2025