

DELEGATED FILE NOTE

CASE OFFICER: ...William Thompson.....

APPLICATION REFERENCE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	APPLICATION SITE
26/02459/EC	The Electronic Communications Code (Conditions and restrictions) Regulations 2003 (as amended) Regulation 5 Notice of Intention to Install Fixed Line Broadband Apparatus: erection of 1 x 8m Light Wooden pole.	Land South Of 36 Danescroft Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 4RW

Submitted Plan Nos

1.0 Policies

2.0 **Site History**

2.1 26/01855/EC - The Electronic Communications Code (Conditions and restrictions) Regulations 2003 (as amended) Regulation 5 Notice of Intention to Install Fixed Line Broadband Apparatus.

No Objection

3.0 **Representations**

3.1 **Neighbour representations** – None received.

4.0 **Planning Considerations**

4.1 **Site and Surroundings**

4.1.1 The application site comprises of land forward of no.36 Danescroft, Letchworth Garden City. The proposed sit is used as a means of access to driveways serving dwellings to the north.

4.2 **Proposal**

4.2.1 The Electronic Communications Code (Conditions and restrictions) Regulations 2003 (as amended) Regulation 5 Notice of Intention to Install Fixed Line Broadband Apparatus: erection of 1 x 8m Light Wooden pole.

4.2.2 The application gives the Local Planning Authority formal notification in accordance with Regulation 5 of the Electronic Communications Code (Conditions and Restrictions) Regulations 2003 as amended.

4.3 **Key Issues**

4.3.1 The key issues in this case are whether the proposed works would constitute permitted development in line with the relevant section in the General Permitted Development Order (GDPO) 2015 as amended.

4.3.2 I refer to the notice and submitted plans, received on 30th September 2026, sent in accordance with Regulations 5 of the Electronic Communications Code (Conditions and Restrictions) Regulations 2003 as amended.

4.3.3 Given the siting shown on the cover letter, the proposed pole is likely to interfere with the means of access used by vehicles for driveways to the north of the given location. Therefore, I consider the proposed works fail 3(6) of Section 3 Permitted Development of The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 as amended which states:

(6) The permission granted by Schedule 2 does not, except in relation to development permitted by Classes A, B, D and E of Part 9 and Class A of Part 18 of that Schedule, authorise any development which requires or involves the formation, laying out or material widening of a means of access to an existing highway which is a trunk road or classified road, or creates an obstruction to the view of persons using any highway used by vehicular traffic, so as to be likely to cause danger to such persons.

4.3.4 As the proposed development would likely be an obstruction or create an obstruction to the view of persons using a highway used by vehicular traffic, so as to be likely to cause danger to such persons, I do not consider the proposal to constitute permitted development.

4.4 **Conclusion**

4.4.1 It is considered that the proposed electronic communications apparatus would not be regarded as permitted development under Section 3. Permitted Development of the GDPO 2015 as amended.

5.0 **Recommendation**

5.1 Objection.

Signed  Anne McDonald	Development Management North Hertfordshire District Council Council Offices Gernon Road Letchworth Herts SG6 3JF
Determining Officer Date: 7 October 2026	