

**PLANNING COMMITTEE
25 FEBRUARY 2021
5.00 - 6.11 PM**



Present:

Councillors Brossard (Vice-Chairman, in the Chair), Angell, Dr Barnard, Bhandari, D Birch, Brown, Gbadebo, Mrs Hayes MBE, Heydon, Mrs Mattick, Mrs McKenzie, Mossom and Skinner

Apologies for absence were received from:

Councillors Dudley, Green, Mrs McKenzie-Boyle and Virgo

Also Present:

Councillor Turrell

89. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

90. Urgent Items of Business

There were no urgent items of business.

91. PS 20-01061-RTD Calfridus Way Playing Fields, Calfridus Way, Bracknell, Berkshire

Installation of 1 no. 25m high column, with 3 no. antennas, 2 no. 0.6m dishes, 2 no. ground-based equipment cabinets, and ancillary development enclosed by a 8.0m x 6.0m compound within 2.1m high palisade fence.

The Committee noted:

- The supplementary report tabled at the meeting.
- The comments of Bracknell Town Council recommending refusal.
- The 164 objections as summarised in the agenda.
- The 3 further objections as detailed in the supplementary report.
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A motion to approve the recommendation in the officer report was proposed but fell at the vote.

Therefore an alternative motion to refuse the application was proposed and seconded, and on being put to the vote was **CARRIED**.

RESOLVED that application 20/01061/RTD be **REFUSED PRIOR APPROVAL** for the following reasons:

1. By reason of its siting and appearance, the proposed telecommunications mast would appear unduly prominent to the detriment of the character and visual amenities of the surrounding area. The proposed development would therefore be contrary to Saved Policies SC4 and EN20 of the Bracknell Forest Borough Local Plan, Policy CS7 of the Core Strategy Development Plan Document and the National Planning Policy Framework.

2. By reason of its siting within a proposed local Green Space, the proposed telecommunications mast would not enhance the role and function of the local Green Space. The proposed development would therefore be contrary to Policy EV3 of the Bracknell Town Neighbourhood Plan and the National Planning Policy Framework.

CHAIRMAN