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5th August 2022

Dear Vicky,
Ref Planning Application 22/01042/T56 OBJECTION

The Epsom Civic Society are concerned at the proposal to erect a telecommunications Mast in The Hayes, Langley Vale.

The proposed location is on a small recently planted grass area close to the junction of The Hayes and Beaconsfield Road. Trees have been newly planted and are now getting established. The site is also immediately adjacent to several residential properties.

The height of the mast at approximately 15 metres would be in excess of 7m metres higher than a standard street lighting pole (8 metres), which are typical in the surrounding streets. It is considered that the height would be excessive in this location and would result in the mast being highly visible within the street scene. The mast would be highly visible from a number of vantage points and is therefore considered to be overly prominent and visually intrusive.

The ECS are not objecting to the importance of the requirement for modern technology advancement in Langley Vale but suggest that the mast could be located at a much



less intrusive site in the village or on the Grandstand. There is also the opportunity to 'camouflage' the installation, an approach that has been used on many similar local sites. We are however worried at the potential harm to our health caused by such an installation, although not yet proven there is still a possible risk.

Yours Sincerely,

Bob Hollis (Vice Chair of The Epsom Civic Society)



