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**Ref: Cellnex site number S5\_19c – Hassocks Station Goods Yard**

Dear Mr Cumberworth

**Proposed telecommunications installation for Cellnex UK at Hassocks Station Goods Yard, Station Goods Yard, Hassocks, West Sussex, BN6 8JA.**

My name is James Cain and I am the planning agent for Cellnex.

I am writing to you in your capacity as Clerk to Hassocks Parish Council and to draw your attention to a proposal by Cellnex to install mobile phone communications apparatus at the above site and to provide contact details should you wish to enquire further about it.

#### **Who is Cellnex?**

Cellnex is a Shared Infrastructure Provider and we own, host and operate shared communications infrastructure across the UK. All the Mobile Network Operators utilise our sites in order to provide important mobile communications coverage to communities around the UK.

## **What is 5G?**

We understand that some of your constituents might have reservations about this new mobile technology. Like previous generations of mobile connectivity, there are strict guidelines and regulations on how mobile communication sites must operate.

All mobile communication sites must comply with guidelines set by the International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection (ICNIRP).

These ICNIRP guidelines are based on decades of published research and they have been recently updated to reflect 5G technology. The guidelines are accepted by the UK government on the Advice of Public Health England as well as by the EU and the World Health Organisation, as the appropriate safeguard for people of all ages and all states of health. The government website provides links to various resources that explain health and safety of mobile communications apparatus.

All mobile communication sites incorporate public exclusion zones to ensure strict compliance with ICNIRP guidelines. Together with operational requirements, this can require apparatus to be located at specific positions and heights, as reflected in the proposed development at this site.

[www.mobileuk.org/5g-and-health.faqs](http://www.mobileuk.org/5g-and-health.faqs)

On a personal level it will improve your mobile experience and help you enjoy much faster internet speeds, more reliable data connection in busy places, and a near-instant connection when opening apps and websites, playing games or connecting to your smart home devices.

## **Are there any health considerations?**

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## Next steps

To get a fully enabled 5G network and connectivity for your area, the operators need to build the infrastructure that supports that.

At this site the work will consist of:

***Installation of new compound comprising 25 metre lattice tower on new pad foundation; meter cabinet and PSU enclosures. The proposed 25 metre lattice tower will support 12no. antenna along with ancillary equipment***

At

Hassocks Station Goods Yard, Hassocks, West Sussex BN6 8JA  
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## Is planning permission required?

The installation as currently proposed requires permission for prior approval and we are preparing to make an application to the local planning authority Mid Sussex District Council. It is possible that in due course the authority may notify you about it.

We would be grateful if you could consider this letter and the accompanying information about the proposals and let us know your views no later than 10 days from the date of this letter. Any comments received from you within this period will be considered by us and will be summarised with our application to the local planning authority.

Should you require any additional information then please do not hesitate to contact me at the email address below:-

[comments@planningbase.co.uk](mailto:comments@planningbase.co.uk)

Yours sincerely

*James Cain*

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Enc: Proposed Plans