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Director: Planning & Building Development Management
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Dear Sir

Case ID: 70282446

PROPOSED CONSENT USE: ERF 20596, GOODWOOD (51 SOUTHDALE ROAD, EDGEMEAD)

We, the undersigned, hereby object to the Consent Use Application to allow for the continuous use of the existing cellular communication base station, which includes a 15m high mast, for the following reasons:

The proposed Consent Use states the applicant's intent, yet the mast has already been built, presumably illegally without the required plans or permission.

The City's Cellular Telecommunication Infrastructure Policy states that no antenna support structures shall be closer than 1km of each other in urban areas, but there are at least another four masts in close proximity to this mast.

The Policy calls for Council to look for location alternatives so as to minimise the impact of antenna support structures on the character and amenity of the local environment. It also requires assurance that the TI siting is compatible with adjoining land uses. It does not appear that any visual impact assessment was carried out or that reasons were furnished as to why co-location was not possible. Why has the applicant made no offer in the proposed plans to disguise the mast so as to minimise the visual impact?

The Ombudsman of the City of Cape Town encourages people to voice their concerns, and is dedicated to protecting individual's rights. We understand from him that we have the right to be told what decision is being planned before it is taken; to be allowed to tell our side of the story before a decision is made; and to be told what the decision is. We were not consulted in this matter, and we feel that we have been affected in a bad way by the decision to erect a cellphone mast on this site. We therefore formally object, and request that the City calls for it to be decommissioned and demolished.

Yours faithfully

Signed: _____

Name: _____