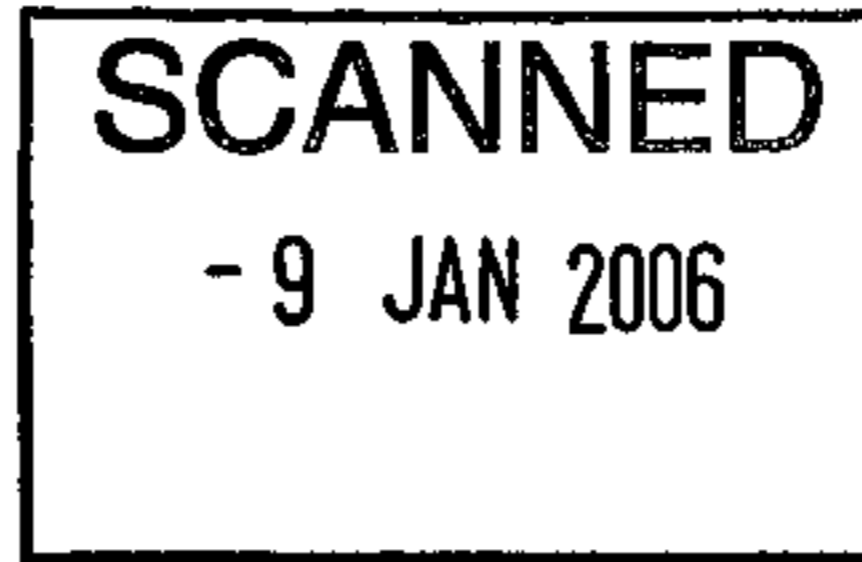


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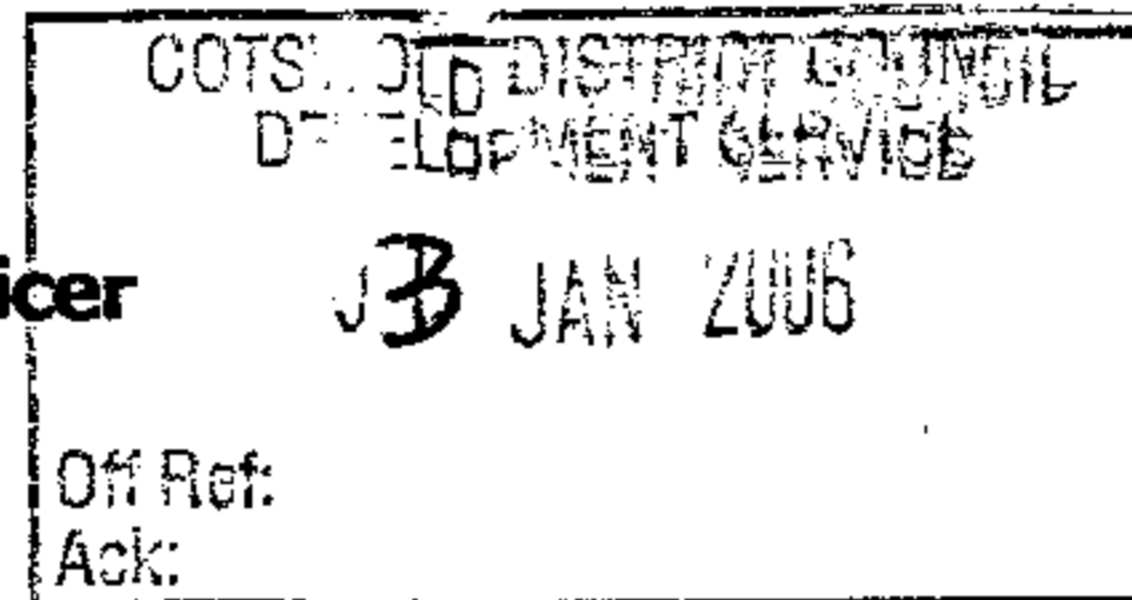
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BY SPECIAL DELIVERY

Our Ref : **GCHQ/Birdlip**

Dear Sirs,

Re : Proposed telecommunications installation by Alan Dick UK Ltd on behalf of GCHQ at the Birdlip Radio Station Site, Shab Hill, Birdlip, Gloucestershire.
CONSULTATION ON IMPENDING DEVELOPMENT.

We refer to our formal consultation dated 14th November 2005 made under the provisions of Circular 18/84. Following numerous attempts to obtain the Council's receipt for this communication, we were advised by Michaela [Planning Administration] that the Council did not appear to have received the communication. This was subsequently confirmed in a voicemail message received from Mr Herbert.

Accordingly, we have enclosed herewith copies of the submission and would request that these be registered at the earliest possible opportunity and confirmation issued. We would also take this opportunity to submit 4 revised copies of drawing **No. UK501110/2, Issue C** in place of Issue B which was enclosed with the original consultation letter. The change reflects a slight movement of the proposed West Tower compound to take account of a BT duct running close to the western edge.

Following what we can only assume to be a postal fault, we would greatly appreciate your assistance in the prompt consideration of this consultation and response at the earliest possible convenience, so as to avert any further delays.

We trust that everything is in order, but if you do require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned on the address / numbers given above.

Yours faithfully



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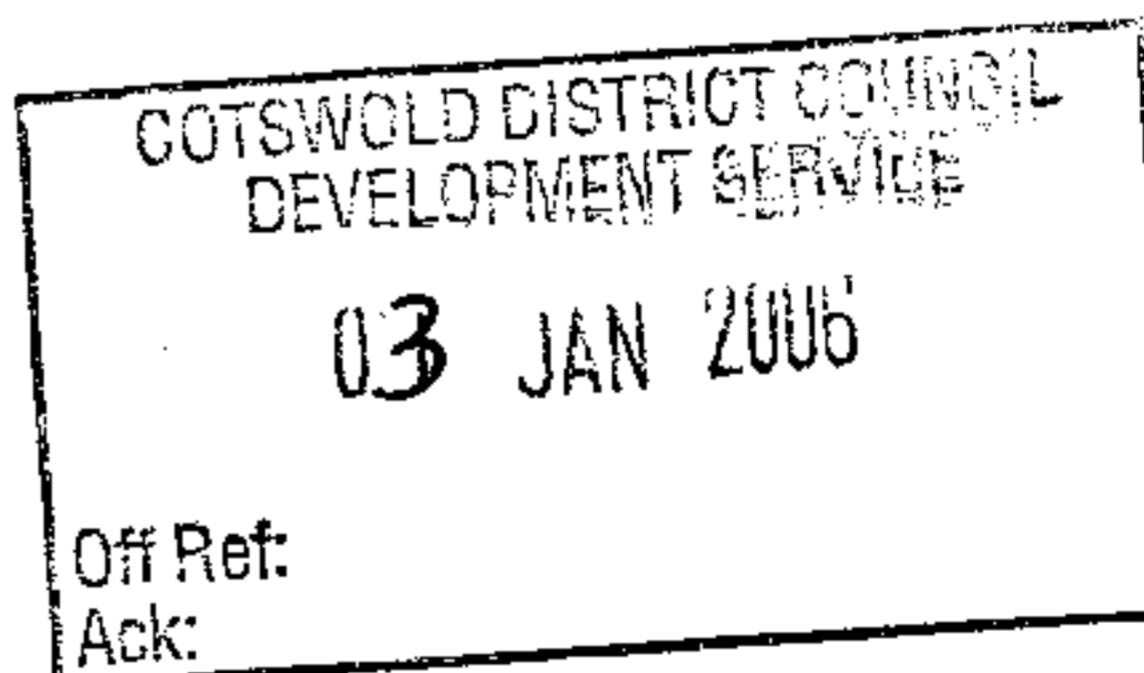
We are acting as town planning consultants in respect of the proposed telecommunications development by GCHQ at the above site which is within your ownership.

Notwithstanding GCHQ's Crown immunity from the usual town planning requirements, we are concurrently submitting on their behalf a formal consultation to the Cotswold District Council advising of the impending developments.

Accordingly, as land owner, we are notifying you of this procedure as a courtesy. Please do not hesitate to contact me further, as required.

Yours sincerely

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- ❖ A copy of the notification issued to the landowner advising of this consultation.
- ❖ A cheque in the sum of £265.00 in respect of the appropriate fee [*].
- ❖ A Supporting Statement
- ❖ Site and area photographs.
- ❖ A series of photographic montages.
- ❖ Copy of preliminary consultation with Council and response received.

[*] We believe that no fee is required for 18/84 consultations but a contrary view was given by the Council's Planning Administration. As such, whilst a cheque has been enclosed for completeness, if we are correct in our belief and no fee is due, kindly return said cheque at your earliest convenience.

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We trust that the supporting information will assist the Council in their consideration of this scheme, especially the requested photographic montages.

We would also be willing to meet to discuss the merits of this consultation or to assist with any further visits of the site and surrounding area and if that would help, please let the undersigned know. Likewise, if any other additional material or information is required in order for the Council to assess this scheme, please request this by return.

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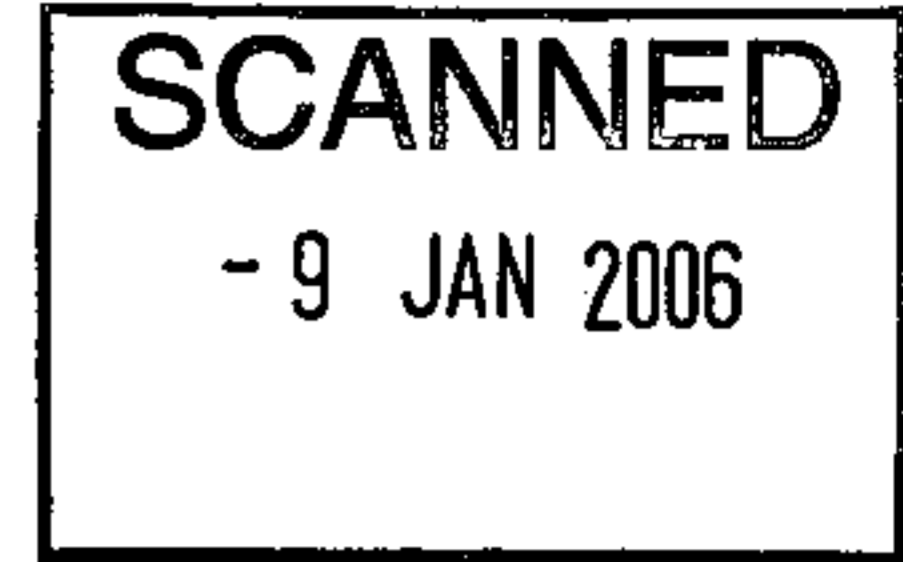
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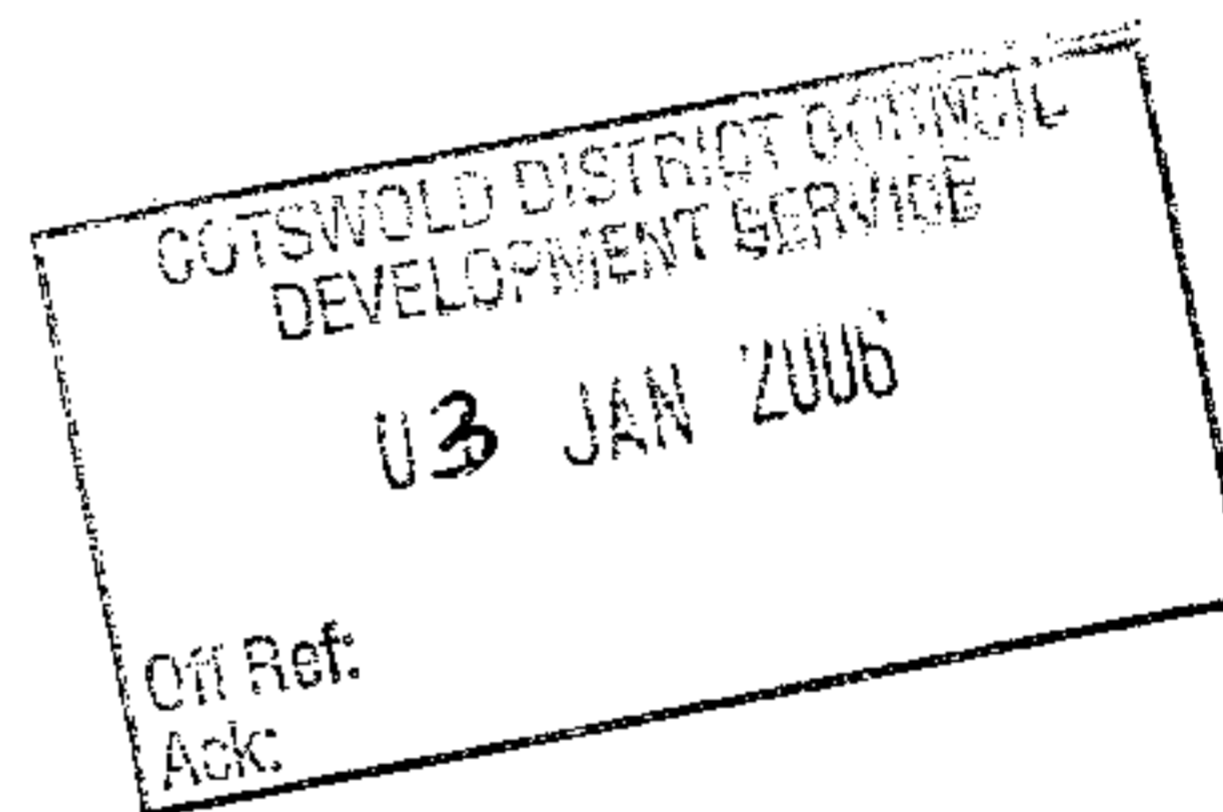
Following our meeting of last month I contacted the Ward member and adjacent Ward member for the Birdlip site outlining briefly the proposal for two transmission towers on behalf of GCHQ. I gave the Ward members 21 days to respond. That period expired yesterday and no comments have been received. On this basis it can be assumed that the Ward members do not have serious reservations concerning the scheme. I therefore advise you to go ahead with submission of an application.

I understood that photomontages of the proposals in context were to be submitted prior to application. I advise that these photomontages should form part of the application.

I trust this is of assistance. If you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards

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PRIOR CONSULTATION WITH LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY.

Further to our site meeting with Mr Herbert on 29th September 2005, we write as requested in connection with proposals to erect two telecommunications towers, on behalf of GCHQ, at the above site.

As discussed, we would ordinarily carry out formal pre-application consultation on behalf of a mobile telephone operator, including the local community, Ward Members, Parish Councils and the like, ensuring compliance with the Code of Best Practice on Mobile Phone Network Development, published by the ODPM in November 2002. However, these are unique requirements for a unique operator and as agreed on site, this letter to the Council will form the only consultation to be carried out. It is understood that you will undertake internal discussions with local members but should it subsequently transpire that you feel other parties should be formally notified, then please indicate this by return.

The purpose of this letter is therefore to formally advise you of this specific proposal and invite your detailed comments so that, if practicable, they can be taken into account in finalising the details.

GCHQ have a requirement at this location to establish a testing station for R & D and trialing of new communications equipment. Full details of the nature of the requirement and justification thereof will be issued with the application. Before submitting the application, we are writing to seek your detailed views on the proposals. In order to share this existing telecommunications site, it is proposed to carry out the following on behalf of GCHQ :-

Erect 2No. 21.6m high square lattice towers, 273.8m apart; install a 4.3m radius Radome on top of the eastern tower; provision of equipment cabins, ducting, cabling and other associated works at the base of each tower, within a 2.5m high green painted palisade security fenced compound. A new vehicular access is also required for the eastern tower. [see enclosed drawings]

During our site meeting, it was stated that the proposed Radome would be placed on the western tower. GCHQ have subsequently confirmed that it is now required on the eastern tower, at the lower ground height, but as yet the drawings have not been revised to reflect this.

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You will note that we have moved the eastern tower from the field corner to a position alongside the road boundary and directly opposite the mature tree, to take advantage of the natural screening potential, as you had suggested. We do of course acknowledge that landscaping will be needed around the proposed compound areas and this will be included on the application drawings. We also discussed the provision of photographic montages to illustrate the visual impact of these proposals. Whilst it is still our intent to submit these with the formal application, they are not available currently.

We would also be most obliged to receive your feedback / information on the following :-

- ◆ Aware of the AONB land designation, we would be pleased to receive copies of the Council policies which apply to such designation.
- ◆ Please provide a copy of the Council's policy on telecommunications.
- ◆ Additional information which may be required with the subsequent submission.
- ◆ Any issues or concerns which we may need to consider, including the general attitude of Council Members / press / public / MP to tower development in the district and especially within the AONB.

We look forward to receiving any comments you may have and it would be greatly appreciated if you could forward such comments or contact us within 10 working days and if necessary, we would be willing to meet again to discuss matters further. In the meantime, if you have any queries, please do not hesitate the undersigned further, as required, on the numbers given above.

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