

Fíonán Ó Cuireáin
32 Na Mínligh,
Rath Fearnáin
Baile Átha Cliath 14
Dáta: 05/07/2021

Submission re: Planning Application: SD21A/0155

Ontower application for a 20 meter multi-user telecommunications support structure and ancillary equipment to improve wireless broadband coverage.

Application Form - Part A-6518485

Section 2 Location of Proposed Development:

Existing Yard at Ballyroan Community and Youth Centre, Marian Road, Rathfarnham, Dublin 14

Incorrect location: The location is on the grounds of the Church of the Holy Spirit, Ballyroan. It is not connected to any part of the Ballyroan Community and Youth Centre which is the address Ontower use in the application.

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MAP REF. RPS REF. ADDRESS/LOCATION

264 264 Church Of The Holy Spirit, Marian Road, Rathfarnham

and

National Inventory of Architectural Heritage Collection REF:11216039

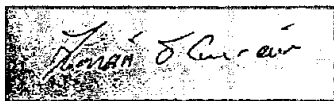
The Church of the Holy Spirit, Ballyroan is a 'Protected Structure' and the proposed mast site is within the curtilage of this protected structure. This application should not be allowed to proceed as it would undermine the integrity of the protected structure.

Furthermore the height of the mast at 20meters would be visually and physically detrimental to the aesthetics of the church, the plaza and the surrounding area. It also reduces significantly the space available to the church congregation and

local residents for fetes and fairs that are organised in the plaza regularly and indeed on pedestrians going from the library to the church and shops.

For the mast to be effective and cover an area within a radius of 500 to 700 meters the signal has to pass above the roof of the church hence the need for a 20m mast. This clearly demonstrates that the location is not suitable. A lower mast (with a lesser visual impact) would suffice in a more suitable location. Masts are already installed on the adjoining shopping centre.

Schools are deemed not suitable as sites for masts and due to the proximity of the site in this instance it appears that Ontower are expedient with their choice of location. The location of the site is on church ground next to the Ballyroan Community and Youth Centre and the mast would overlook and overshadow the playground used by the crèche and childminding facilities offered by the Ballyroan Community and Youth Centre. While there is no conclusive evidence for the pros and cons of the danger of emissions from antennas and other electronic equipment on masts, allowing such a structure near a children's playing space should not be risked.



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Mr. Fionán Ó Cuireáin
32 Na Mínligh
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Date: 07-July-2021

Dear Sir/Madam,

Register Ref: SD21A/0155
Development: Replace existing 12m decommissioned chimney flue with a 20m multi-user telecommunications support structure to include antennas and dishes and all enclosed within a shroud to match the existing decommissioned chimney flue; 2 outdoor cabinets and associated site works and a proposed new flue to replace an existing flue on an existing permitted building and accessed via the existing permitted access; the development will provide improved wireless broadband services in the area.
Location: Ballyroan Community & Youth Centre, Marian Road, Rathfarnham, Dublin 14
Applicant: Ontower Ireland Limited
Application Type: Permission
Date Rec'd: 10-Jun-2021

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your submission in connection with the above planning application. The appropriate fee of €20.00 has been paid and your submission is in accordance with the appropriate provisions of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001(as amended). The contents of your submission will be brought to the attention of the Planning Officer during the course of consideration of this application.

This is an important document. You will be required to produce this document to An Bord Pleanála if you wish to appeal the decision of the Council when it is made. You will be informed of the decision in due course. Please be advised that all current applications are available for inspection at the public counter and on the Council's Website, www.sdblincoco.ie.

You may wish to avail of the Planning Departments email notification system on our website. When in the **Planning Applications** part of the Council website, www.sdblincoco.ie, and when viewing an application on which a decision has not been made, you can input your email address into the box named **"Notify me of changes"** and click on **"Subscribe"**. You should automatically receive an email notification when the decision is made. Please ensure that you submit a valid email address.

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Yours faithfully,

Mary Crowley
for Senior Planner