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**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2000 (as amended) & PLANNING  
REGULATIONS MADE THEREUNDER**

**Register Reference:** S25421/22  
**Registration Date:** 19-Sep-2022  
**Location:** Scholarstown Road, Scholarstown, Co. Dublin  
**Proposal:** 15 metre high telecommunications street-works structure.  
**Applicant:** Vantage Towers Ltd.

Pursuant to Section 254 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended), by CE Order No. PR/1446 dated 17-Nov-2022 a decision to **GRANT LICENCE UNDER SECTION 254** was made.

The Licence is hereby granted by the planning authority for such period and upon such conditions as the authority specifies below.

1. Development to be in accordance with submitted plans and details.  
The development shall be carried out and completed in its entirety in accordance with the plans, particulars and specifications lodged with the application, and as amended by Further Information received on 19/09/2022, save as may be required by the other conditions attached hereto.  
REASON: To ensure that the development shall be in accordance with the permission, and that effective control be maintained.
2. Duration of Licence.  
The duration of this licence is for 3 years only.  
REASON: To allow the Planning Authority to review the impact of the licenced works, to consider the merits or feasibility of any alternative solutions.

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3. **Withdrawal of Licence.**

Notwithstanding any other conditions of this grant, South Dublin County Council reserves the right to withdraw the licence under section 254(4) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, where in the opinion of the planning authority by reason of the increase or alteration of traffic on the road or of the widening of the road or of any improvement of or relating to the road, the appliance, apparatus or structure causes an obstruction or becomes dangerous, the authority may by notice in writing withdraw the licence and require the licensee to remove the appliance, apparatus or structure at his or her own expense.

Reason: in the interest of traffic safety.

4. **South Dublin County Council Lands.**

This licence does not permit any works on private property.

REASON: To ensure the proper application of Section 254 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended.

5. **Obsolescence.**

In the event of obsolescence, or withdrawal or expiry of the license without renewal, the telecommunications poles shall be removed from the site and the site reinstated at the expense of the applicant or licensee as per the following, unless otherwise agreed with the Planning Authority:

- the verge surface shall be reinstated with selected soil material to a depth of 150mm;

- The verge shall be raked, level and compacted well around any infrastructure, and re-seeded with a grass seed mix predominately containing Dwarf Perennial Ryegrass. These works are to be undertaken by a competent and experienced Landscape Contractor, to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority.

REASON: To protect the amenities of the area.

**No Additional Dishes, Antennae or Other Equipment.**

No additional cabling or other equipment, other than the cabling for which a licence has been sought, shall be attached to the telecommunications poles without first obtaining the prior written approval of the Planning Authority.

REASON: In the interest of the visual amenity of the area; to ensure that the development shall be in accordance with the permission and that effective control be maintained and in the interest of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

6. **Change of Ownership.**

The applicant shall notify the Planning Authority of any change of ownership, transfer to a new operator or any subsequent agreements to share the telecommunications poles.

REASON: To ensure that the developments shall be in accordance with the Licence granted and that development is effectively managed.

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#### **7. Change to Details of Licence Application.**

If during the works the Licence Holder becomes aware of information that would materially alter the details previously submitted in advance of the works, it shall immediately notify South Dublin County Council and request approval to proceed.

REASON: To ensure proper application of the licence.

#### **8. Services**

(a) The poles shall be separated from any underground public utility by a distance of no less than 3 metres, except by written agreement with the responsible party for that utility. In the case of watermains and wastewater sewers, the responsible party is Irish Water. In the case of the surface water sewers, the responsible party is South Dublin County Council. Such agreements shall be copied to the SDCC Planning Department.

(b) The licence holder must ensure that pole erecting does not impact or damage underground services, existing drainage, public or third party property. In the event of damage to underground or overground property, the licence holder must notify the Area Engineer and detail the site location, pole reference number and completed repair.

REASON: To protect existing infrastructure.

#### **9. Installation and Drainage.**

The installation of the telecommunication poles shall not impair the operation of the existing land and roadside drainage and the applicants shall not interfere with roadside drainage without the prior written agreement of the SDCC Roads Department.

REASON: In the interest of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

#### **10. Maintenance.**

Access to the licence area for maintenance purposes by any statutory undertakers shall be available at all times.

REASON: In the interests of the proper planning, maintenance and development of the area.

#### **11. Indemnification.**

(a) The Licence Holder shall indemnify South Dublin County Council in respect of legal liability, loss, claim or proceedings whatsoever arising out of or in connection with:

(i) death and/or bodily injury to any persons whomsoever; and

(ii) loss or damage to any property whatsoever (arising from the negligent act, omission or breach of duty by the Licence Holder, its employees, servants or agents), which are caused by or arise from the carrying out of associated works or activities under the granted licence (including installation of property) by the Licence Holder, its employees, servants or agents save for where any loss, claim or proceedings arise out of the negligent act, omission, or any breach of duty whatsoever of the relevant road authority or their employees, servants, agents or otherwise.

(b) The Licence Holder shall hold, maintain and submit evidence of the following

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insurances:

(i) Employers liability insurance with an indemnity limit of not less than €13 million each and every claim; and

(ii) public and products liability insurances with indemnity limits of not less than €6.5million each and every claim respectively

Such insurances shall be extended to include an indemnity to South Dublin County Council where applicable.

REASON: To indemnify the Council for works carried out by the licensee.

#### 12. Costs Incurred

All costs incurred by South Dublin Council Council including any repairs to the public road and services, arising as a result of the licence, shall be at the expense of the licensee. Work to the public road shall only be carried out by South Dublin County Council.

REASON: To recover the costs of any necessary works to the public road.

#### 13. Legislation

This licence is for the telecommunications street pole, antenna and operator's cabinet and nothing in this licence shall be construed as negating the applicant's statutory obligations or requirements under any other enactments or regulations, including planning legislation, building legislation and The Roads Act.

REASON: In the interest of proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

#### 14. Construction Noise and Hours.

To control, limit and prevent the generation of unacceptable levels of Environmental Noise Pollution from occurring during construction activity, no Equipment or Machinery (to include pneumatic drills, on-site construction vehicles, generators, etc.) that could give rise to unacceptable levels of noise pollution as set out generally for evening and night-time in S.I. No. 140/2006 - Environmental Noise Regulations 2006 shall be operated on the site before 7.00 hours on weekdays and 9.00 hours on Saturdays nor after 19.00 hours on weekdays and 13.00 hours on Saturdays, nor at any time on Sundays, Bank Holidays or Public Holidays.

Any construction work outside these hours that could give rise to unacceptable levels of noise pollution shall only be permitted following a written request to the Planning Authority and the subsequent receipt of the written consent of the Planning Authority, having regard to the reasonable justification and circumstances and a commitment to minimise as far as practicable any unacceptable noise outside the hours stated above. In this respect, the applicant or developer shall also comply with BS 5228:2009 Noise and Vibration Control on Construction and Open Sites, and have regard to the World Health Organisation (WHO) – Guidelines for Community Noise (1999).

The applicant or developer shall also endeavour to engage in local consultation in respect of any noise sensitive location within 30 metres of the development as approved prior to construction activity commencing on site. Such noise sensitive locations should be provided with the following:

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- Schedule of works to include approximate timeframes
- Name and contact details of contractor responsible for managing noise complaints
- Hours of operation- including any scheduled times for the use of equipment likely to be the source of significant noise.

REASON: In the interest of public health by the prevention of unacceptable levels of noise pollution which could interfere with normal sleep and rest patterns and/or when people could reasonably expect a level of quietness, the proper planning and sustainable development of the area and to uphold the Council's amenity policies set out in the South Dublin County Council Development Plan.

15. Operational Noise.

(a) Noise due to the normal operation of the proposed development, expressed as  $L_{Aeq}$  over 15 minutes at the façade of any noise sensitive location, shall not exceed the daytime background level i.e. 0700 – 1900 by more than 10 dB(A) and shall not exceed the background level for evening and night time (currently 19:00 – 07:00) as determined in S.I. No. 140/2006 - Environmental Noise Regulations 2006 .

Clearly audible and impulsive tones at noise sensitive locations during evening and night as determined in S.I. No. 140/2006 - Environmental Noise Regulations 2006 shall be avoided irrespective of the noise level.

(b) Noise levels from the proposed development shall not be so loud, so continuous, so repeated, of such duration or pitch or occurring at such times as to give reasonable cause for annoyance to a person in any residence, adjoining premises or public place in the vicinity.

(c) All mechanical plant and ventilation inlets and outlets should be sound insulated and/or fitted with sound attenuators as necessary to ensure that the noise level as expressed as  $L_{Aeq}$  over 15 minutes at 1 meter from the façade of any noise sensitive location does not exceed the background level by more than 10 dB(A) for daytime and shall not exceed the background level for evening and night time (currently 19:00 – 07:00) as determined in S.I. No. 140/2006 - Environmental Noise Regulations 2006.

REASON: In the interest of public health by the prevention of unacceptable levels of noise pollution which could interfere with normal sleep and rest patterns and/or when people could reasonably expect a level of quietness, and to uphold the Council's amenity policies set out in the South Dublin County Council Development Plan.

Yours faithfully,

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*for Senior Planner*