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| Department:        | Planning                          |
| Title:             | Telecom masts policy in Hertsmere |
| Description:       | Telecom mast policy and location  |

## Request: (As Redacted sent by requestor)

1. Does Hertsmere Borough Council have a written policy regarding the siting of telecom masts (2,3,4 and/or 5G) in the borough and where may I consult it?

2. Is there a map that the public can consult (and if so, where) showing the siting of telecom masts in Hertsmere and, in particular, Bushey?

## Response: (Response as Redacted sent by service)

The Council does not have a specific policy regarding siting of telecoms masts. The following is an extract from our Core Strategy referencing telecoms.

## **Sustainable Construction**

5.44 It is particularly important that new developments make use of sustainable construction techniques and efficient use of resources wherever possible including the shared use of telecommunications sites and apparatus. The Council considers that for development to be considered genuinely sustainable, it must also demonstrate energy-efficiency, minimise the use of scarce resources and adopt sustainable construction principles.

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Thank you for your request.

Kind regards

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