

Application Summary

Address:	Land South Of 2 Broadwater Street West Worthing West Sussex
Proposal:	Proposed installation of 1no. new BT Street Hub, incorporating 2no. digital LCD advert screens (following removal of 2no. phone kiosks)
Case Officer:	Louise Prew

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Customer Details

Name:	Mr J Philipps
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Design - Loss of General Amenity - Overdevelopment - Privacy Light and Noise
Comments:	I object to this application on the following grounds: As a frequent visitor, I object to these installations on the following grounds: - Visually intrusive and unsightly blemish to the character of the local area. - Clutter on pavement contrary to Clean Streets Charter. - Likely to attract graffiti and antisocial behaviour despite the promise of monitoring it. Who will pay for the security, cleaning, repairs and maintenance? - Obstacle for mobility impaired, sight impaired and push-chairs. Each installation could limit the flow of pedestrian movement. - Designed to be deliberately distracting, together with the huge bulky, solidity of the structure, the hubs could cause problems for road safety with pedestrians, cyclists and drivers not having a clear view of each other. - Unnecessary advertising, primarily an advertising hoarding with a cursory phone/wifi/ etc attached. - WHO DOES IT SERVE? The proposals may bring free ultrafast public Wi-Fi, 5G small-cell mobile connectivity, free UK calls, free device charging, an emergency services button, environmental sensors, insight counting, and public messaging

capabilities. Nowadays what is the usefulness? Most people have their own mobile phones for connectivity.

- The applicant has not provided sufficient justification that the Street Hub is necessary.
- Excessively large illuminating screens that will disturb and negatively impact insects, moths, bats and birds, contrary to any 'Biodiversity Net Gain' plan.
- Constantly changing screens, an assault on the senses.
- There are plenty of studies now showing eye damage caused by the blue light on screens. Do we really need yet more?

Energy consumption. Who pays for the power to support the operation 24hrs/day? How can the increase in energy be justified in view of Sustainability / Net Zero goals? The council should be aiming to reduce energy consumption, not adding energy guzzling Street Hubs at a time when many are struggling to pay their electricity bills.

Kind regards

