

**211623 - 80 George Street Caversham Reading RG4 8DH**

CADRA is concerned that the significant foundations required for this tower will endanger the health of the trees that are close to it. Notably, the Lombardy Poplars in Christchurch Meadows, which are a major landscape feature visible and appreciated for miles around. Also of concern is the future health of the young Lime trees, close to the proposed tower, which face George Street.

The placement of 5G towers is a complex one, involving transmission range and solid obstacles that may block signals. But there is always some latitude in placement, which perhaps has not been adequately considered, by the applicant. The Laundry site likely offers an economically attractive option, but at the expense of the green landscape surrounding it, which is critical to the environmental health of this urban area.

CADRA objects to this application and requests alternative options be considered.

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