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Dear Mr King

**Notifications under Circular 01/2001, Circular 08/2009 &  
T&CP (Development Management Procedure) Order 2010  
FIRE STATION, CHURCHTOWN, ST MARTINS, ISLES OF SCILLY  
Application No P/14/030**

### English Heritage Advice

Thank you for your correspondence of 25th June seeking English Heritage's advice in regards to the proposed erection of a 2m square, 6m high lattice radio communications tower adjacent to Churchtown Fire Station, St Martin's, Isles of Scilly.

As you note, there are a number of scheduled Ancient Monuments close to the site of the application including prehistoric cairns and prehistoric to post medieval field systems. Although the proposed tower may be visible within the context of a number of these monuments, it is located within a group of existing modern buildings and unlikely to have significant adverse impact on the setting of the monuments.

The proposed location is close to the fire station, and the ground in this area is likely to have been disturbed by modern development. However, the information supplied with the application does not give detail of the depth of foundation required; given the proximity of the scheduled monuments this information would have been useful. I suggest, therefore, that you impose a planning condition onto an approval you if you are minded to grant permission, requiring further information about the proposed foundations. This will enable us - or your own specialist internal conservation advice (I understand you are in the process of appointment?) to determine if an archaeological watching brief is necessary as part of the works.

### Recommendation

We would urge you to address the above issues, and recommend that the application should be determined in accordance with national and local policy guidance, and on the basis of your specialist conservation advice. It is not necessary for us to be



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consulted again. However, if you would like further advice, please contact us to explain your request.

Yours sincerely



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