Hammersmith and Fulham

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Thank you for your request for information which was received on 4 February 2020.

Your request

Hammersmith and Fulham has been designated by some telcos as the pilot area for 5G small cells. Get Well magazine has just had an article on the possible dangers of 5G. Please provide me with all the information held by the Council that it sees as scientific proof that 5G is safe..

Our response

This request is being handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I can confirm that the information requested is held by Hammersmith and Fulham. I have enclosed copies of the information that is being released to you.

Hammersmith and Fulham as a Council have not installed 5G. Our current understanding is that despite many Telco's advertising the implementation of 5G. The required Government specifications have yet to be published. What is currently on our streets, is an enhanced 4G.

It is however clear, that 5G or fifth generation of mobile communication will be fully rolled out in the coming years. Hammersmith & Fulham have received a number of correspondence regarding safety, which we continue to monitor.

The below link sets out Public Health England's current thoughts around 5G, radio waves and Health. It clearly indicates, that while the implementation will slightly increase the amount of airborne radio waves, they do not see that this increase will have any impact on Health.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/5g-technologies-radio-waves-and-health/5g-technologies-radio-waves-and-health

Please feel free to contact us, should you have any additional questions that we maybe able to answer.

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Yours sincerely

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