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Dear Ms Simpson,

**Planning authority's application reference number 25/00100/FLL**  
**Site address 1 Orchard Way, Inchtute, PH14 9QB**  
**Description of proposed development: Installation of an amateur radio mast and aerial(s)**

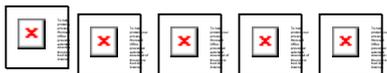
Thank you for the opportunity to make further comment on Mr Grieve's planning application. The Radio Society of Great Britain is the national society for radio amateurs in the UK and gives regular planning advice to members.

On checking Perth and Kinross Council (KPC) planning portal I note that KPC have on most occasion granted planning permission for amateur radio masts and antennas previously submitted and that Mr Grieve's application is an exception.

Although Mr Grieve's application is for a larger lattice type mast, it reflects his wish to practice amateur radio at a higher technical standard. There are Technical Restraints that limit how small shortwave antenna can be and how low to the ground they can be. Advice on this was given to planner in the NPPG19 Telecommunications and NPPG62 Radio Communications. Sadly these National Guides have been deleted in favour of local plans which seldom contain any informed advice on amateur radio masts and antennas being solely considered on their visual appearance.

In reconsidering this application, I would argue that is not a sufficient detriment to visual amenity of the area to warrant refusal given that similar installations exist throughout the UK in residential settings and that as well as a pastime, amateur radio communications (RAYNET) are included in many local authority civil contingency plans and most famously provided most of the communications during the Lockerbie Disaster.

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