Dear Holly,

I wanted to congratulate you on your article featuring anti-radiation campaigner and advisor, Eileen O'Connor of the RRT.

The wireless radiation issue is a very serious one which most people have no idea about. The main reason for this is that the technology is widely available, but whilst it cannot be seen or touched, it is most certainly heard by our delicate electro-biology. The most worrying aspect of our growing use of these technologies is with regards to children and pregnant women making liberal use of them because of their apparent 'safety', even though the industry itself has stated that is has never claimed that wireless signals are "safe":

"I'm going to be very clear. Industry has not said once...once...that cell phones are safe" ~ Dane Snowden, Vice President, Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association (2005-2011), FCC Chief, Governmental Affairs (2001-2004) http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/document/view?id=7520940431

There are even patent applications lodged by industry vendors that openly state wifi causes cancer - for example, in 2003, eight years before the WHO categorised wireless technologies as Class 2b carcinogens, Swisscom AG (a Swiss telecoms firm) filed international patent applications for a system to reduce 'electrosmog' from wireless local networks (i.e., Wi-Fi) in which they stated that low-intensity, non-thermal exposures to wireless radiation (e.g wifi) is "genotoxic" and causes "clear damage to hereditary material" as well as "increased cancer risk" - http://stopsmartmeters.org.uk/major-phone-firm-patent-admits-non-thermal-exposures-to-wireless-radiation-is-genotoxic-causes-clear-damage-to-hereditary-material/

Finally, most people are unaware that the UK's wireless standards were voted "out of date" and "obsolete" in an EU parliamentary motion in 2008 because of new evidence at the time showing harm from wireless radiation (there is even more evidence of harm now). The UK, however, still uses these obsolete standards and this is presumably why the Parish Council member who commented at the end of your story has the misleading notion that UK standards are fit-for-purpose - unfortunately, they aren't. Even the industry itself admits harm and refuses to say it is "safe".

Thank you for bringing it to people's attention, it is very much needed.

Regards,

Mike

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