My cell tower story, this can **STILL** happen to anyone.

Three years ago, I retired to focus on my health and my house. A house I share with my daughter near the intersection of Norton, Gould Hill and the Kaeding Roads in Worcester. If, over the years, you've hiked the popular Ellis-Bruce Trail, you've gone by my home and likely seen me working on it.

Then, on December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021, my neighbors and I, received notification from MSK Lawyers. This letter was notifying us of the proposed installation of a 200ft. cell tower near the intersection of the Norton, Gould Hill and Kaeding roads.

It did not take long for our neighborhood to come together over this issue. On several occasions, we did tests with helium balloons on a 200ft tether from my property, to visualize the impact this 200 foot tower would have at this location. We determined this would be visible from many places including the village and at the trail head of the Ellis-Bruce, a view of the Worcester Range, that stops me in my tracks every time I come out of the woods heading home.

I mentioned that these tests were done on my property because this 200ft. tower would be just 300ft. from our home. This 200ft tower would be looming over us, receiving, and transmitting cell and microwave signals day and night!

Since being notified of this proposal, I was overwhelmed by the amount of information that has come across my computer, reports, studies, peer reviews etc,. regarding the health effects of RF, EMF and microwave. None of it good!

While I have significant health concerns of my own, I am more concerned for the health and wellbeing of my daughter with the proposed siting, just 300ft from where she will hopefully be living safely, for many years to come.

My daughter is a traumatic brain injury (TBI) survivor. What will the long-term exposure of RF, EMF, microwave and cellular (4/5g) transmissions, have on her and her injury? Here are some recent medical findings:

Physicians for Safe Technology | Brain and Nervous System Effects (mdsafetech.org)

We would be told there are no health concerns, that they are in compliance with FCC regulation. These regulations have not been updated in 25 years! It goes without saying but .. decades before the explosion of cell phone usage.

In 2021, the US Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia ruled the FCC " failed to respond to "record evidence that exposure to RF radiation at levels below the Commission's current limits may cause negative health effects unrelated to cancer" and demonstrated "a complete failure to respond to comments concerning environmental harm caused by RF radiation." The court ordered the FCC to create new standards.

I was recently made aware that in 2019 our neighbors in New Hampshire created a commission to study the health effects of cell service. This committee created a report: <u>https://mdsafetech.org/2020/11/17/new-hampshire-commission-studies-5g-technology-health-and-environment-effects/</u>

NH representatives have introduced legislation (HB1644) limiting the proximity cell towers to people., <u>no closer than</u> <u>1640 ft. pdf.aspx (state.nh.us)</u>

Without updated regulations and laws, this could happen to anyone!



(Our balloons can be seen, to the right of the top of this <u>simulated tower</u>)

I am grateful for Worcester's activism regarding this proposal as well as my neighbor's decision to NOT renew the land lease. Thankfully, this cell tower was NOT installed!