

Notification under section 49(4) of the Communications Act 2003

Draft decision by the Forest of Dean District Council in response to a proposal by British Telecommunications plc for the removal of public call boxes pursuant to Part 2 of the Schedule to a Direction published by Ofcom on 14 March 2006 ('the Direction').

- 1. The Forest of Dean District Council, in accordance with section 49(4) of the Communications Act 2003 ('the Act'), hereby make the following draft decision in response to a proposal by British Telecommunications plc for the removal of public call boxes pursuant to Part 2 of the Direction.
- 2. The draft decision is set out in the Schedule to this Notification.
- 3. The effect of, and the Forest of Dean District Council reasons for making, the draft decision is set out in the Schedule to this Notification.
- 4. The Forest of Dean District Council consider that the draft decision complies with the requirements of sections 45 to 50 of the Act, as appropriate and relevant to the proposal.
- 5. In making the draft decision, the Forest of Dean District Council has considered and acted in accordance with the six community requirements in section 4 of the Act.
- Representations may be made to the Forest of Dean District Council about the draft decision by 25th June 2021.
- 7. A copy of this Notification has been sent to the Secretary of State in accordance with section 50(1)(b) of the Act.
- 8. The Schedule to this Notification shall form part of this Notification.

Peter Williams A person authorised by Forest of Dean District Council to sign this Notification

25th May 2021

To make representations please contact Local Plans Team Forest of Dean District Council Council Offices Coleford Glos GL16 8HG

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	Telephone Number	Address	Postcode	Average calls per month	Posting Completed Date	Agree Adopt Object	Reason for objection - based on need for telephony only not the kiosk
1	01594837265	PCO PCO1 LORDS HILL COLEFORD	GL16 8BG	1	17/03/2021	Object	The phone box is in a town centre location and the only one still 'live' in Coleford town centre. Signal around the forest is known to be patchy and unreliable these boxes provide a way of calling for help when there is a lack of mobile signal.
2	01291623775	PCO PCO1 COLEFORD ROAD TUTSHILL CHEPSTOW	NP16 7BN	1	17/03/2021	Agree	Parish Council agree to removal
3	01291622246	PCO PCO1 KING ALFREDS ROAD SEDBURY CHEPSTOW	NP16 7AG	0	17/03/2021	Agree	Parish Council agree to removal
4	01594842341	PCO PCO1 STATION ROAD LYDNEY	GL15 5EW	0	17/03/2021	Object	While the average number of calls for the box in Station Road suggests little use, it is near the railway station and could be essential in case of emergency. It is also useful for rail passengers who don't have their own phone.
5	01594842320	O/S CO-OP PCO1 NEWERNE STREET LYDNEY	GL15 5RA	10	17/03/2021	Object	The average number of calls for the box by the Co-op indicates a steady trickle of calls. This site is the town retail centre and the box should be retained. Signal around the forest is known to be patchy and unreliable these boxes provide a way of calling for help when there is a lack of mobile signal.
6	01594562211	PCO PCO1 PARKEND LYDNEY	GL15 4JA	3	17/03/2021	Object	No mobile signal in the village and although it may not be used much it is still an essential service especially in an emergency. Close to a main tourist attraction of Dean Forest Railway.