

	Telephone Number	Address	Postcode	Average calls per month	Agree Adopt Object	Reason for objection - based on need for telephony only not the kiosk
1	01643831419	PCO PCO1 SIMONSBATH MINEHEAD	TA24 7SH	0	Object	The Exmoor Parish Council are very concerned over the threat of the removal of the phone box in the village of Simonsbath (which is the village in this parish). They believe there is still a legitimate reason for keeping the phone in the phone box active because as yet the 4G signal is not reliable enough throughout the village and consequently not all mobile providers give their users a stable signal. The Parish Council also feel that the 3 month check for the usage of the phone box clashes with COVID19 when the village did not have any visitors. Obviously, if they are basing their figures during this period and also backing on to the autumn/winter months, then there wouldn't have been many people walking through the village, however when the area is full of visitors then the phonebox is needed for those without EE connection. Visitors need to be able to contact the outside world (and especially the Emergency Services) in times of need/crisis! Therefore the BT Phone and Box in Simonsbath must stay. one of the councillors has mentioned that the phone actually does not work fully and so that is why it has not been used. Many people have knocked on their door asking to use their phone as they believe it rings and the other end can answer but they can't hear you. I think BT have never been out to service it.
2	01643831414	PCO PCO1 WITHYPOOL MINEHEAD	TA24 7QT	3	Object	The Withypool & Hawkridge Parish Council are very concerned over the threat of the removal of the phone box in the village of Withypool. They believe there is still a legitimate reason for keeping the phone in the phone box active because as yet there is not a mobile phone signal throughout the village and if one does get installed in the future, visitors to the village with an alternative network will struggle to get a signal. The BT phone box is very visible in the heart of the village for all to use. The Parish Council also feel that the 3-month check for the usage of the phone box clashes with COVID19 when the village did not have any visitors. Obviously, if they are basing their figures during this period and also backing on to the autumn/winter months, then there wouldn't have been many people walking through the village, however when the area is full of visitors then the phone box is needed. There are also many elderly residents who don't even have mobiles and so might need the phone in an emergency. Therefore the BT Phone and Box in Withypool must stay.
3	01643831211	PCO PCO1 EXFORD MINEHEAD	TA24 7LX	1	Object	The Parish Council in Exford do not want the telephone box to close as there is very limited mobile coverage in and around Exford. The excuse BT uses i.e. low usage, is compounded by the fact they do not repair the connection quickly when it is out of order. We would therefore like to register our strong objection to the closure of the telephone box.
4	01643862641	PCO PCO1 HIGH STREET PORLOCK MINEHEAD	TA24 8PT	5	Object	At the time of writing Porlock Parish Council had not debated the removal of the box, however the clerk for the Parish Council confirmed that: "The majority of Councillors would like to retain the phone box as is." Given the heritage value of the box, poor mobile coverage, and the views of Porlock Parish Council, Exmoor National Park Authority objects to the removal of the public phone box.
5	01643862285	WAYLEAVE PP131 PCO1 LUCCOMBE MINEHEAD	TA24 8TA	1	Object	Luccombe PC - Object on lack of a mobile signal in Luccombe and a vital community resource - Last year BT agreed not to remove the box because there is no mobile phone signal in Luccombe and because the phone box could be the only connection to the outside world and the emergency services in the event of an emergency. It is worth noting that we recently had such an emergency with an injury and fire that could have spread to the moor and the injured man was unable to use a mobile phone and had to rely on others in the village to make the call to the fire brigade. In the event of a power cut the only facility would have been the public phone box.

6	01643841201	PCO PCO1 LUCKWELL BRIDGE WHEDDON CROSS MINEHEAD	TA24 7EL	1	Object	Cutcombe PC - on the basis that the mobile signal of some networks is poor in the area, the phone box is available to both visitors and locals in the instance that they have problem with their landlines. The low number of calls from the call box can be attributed perhaps to the fact that only emergency calls can be made as there is no way to make paid for calls – the instructions in the call box indicate that you should lift the headset and swipe your card through the card reader, but there is no card reader present, therefore no way provided to make chargeable calls, however the ability to make emergency calls is essential.
7	01643851320	PCO PCO1 BRIDGETOWN DULVERTON	TA22 9JL	0	Object	Exton PC - the telephone boxes at Exton and Bridgetown need to be retained because of the lack of mobile signal coverage.
8	01643851493	PCO PCO1 EXTON DULVERTON	TA22 9JT	0	Object	Exton PC - the telephone boxes at Exton and Bridgetown need to be retained because of the lack of mobile signal coverage.
9	01398371212	PCO PCO1 BROMPTON REGIS DULVERTON	TA22 9NN	0	Object	Brompton Regis PC: Brompton Regis telephone kiosk offers an important lifeline in an area where there is no mobile phone reception. This is particularly important for the large and increasing number of visitors who we see walking/cycling/ driving through the village and parish, many of whom will have no idea that there is no mobile phone reception until they try to use their phones. The parish usually hosts a number of major sporting events (in the past Ironman, and now a more local triathlon, and the Exmoor Wild Swim during which, again, many visitors congregate and pass through the area. There are limited local facilities at which people could ask to use a landline: our community shop is open 9-11 Monday to Saturday, our pub and a local cafe have limited and variable opening hours. We believe the kiosk must be maintained for public safety and security.
10	01398331463	PCO PCO1 SKILGATE TAUNTON	TA4 2DQ	0	Object	Skilgate PC - Object on the grounds of lack of mobile signal in an isolated village and the need to use this telephone in the event of an emergency. This phone box is within reach of the whole village. Not everyone has land lines in the village and there is no mobile phone coverage in the area, and a majority of residents are elderly. The phone box is the only ready access for emergency services. Added to this during an international pandemic when emergencies may occur suddenly it is not conceivable to remove the only reliable means of communication for the pandemic contingency committee
11	01984631211	PCO PCO1 LIDDYMORE ROAD WATCHET	TA23 0DQ	4		No submission received.
12	01278652490	PCO PCO1 STOGURSEY BRIDGWATER	TA5 1TH	0		Stogursey Parish Council resolved at their meeting on August 2020 not to adopt either of the telephone call boxes subject of the BT consultation. I would point out that the call box in Vicarage Road, Stogursey is within the boundaries of Stogursey Conservation area.
13	01278732211	FORGE CORNER PCO1 BURTON STOGURSEY BRIDGWATER	TA5 1QB	0		Stogursey Parish Council resolved at their meeting on August 2020 not to adopt either of the telephone call boxes subject of the BT consultation. I would point out that the call box in Vicarage Road, Stogursey is within the boundaries of Stogursey Conservation area.
14	01984623226	PCO PCO1 LANGLEY MARSH WIVELISCOMBE TAUNTON	TA4 2UJ	0	Object	NO Mobile signal in Wiveliscombe. This phone should be retained if only for emergency calls.
15	01984623352	JUBILEE GARDENS PCO1 WEST STREET WIVELISCOMBE TAUNTON	TA4 2JP	3	Object	
16	01823421411	NR. THE CHURCH PCO1 CORFE TAUNTON	TA3 7AJ	0	Object	Corfe Parish Council object on the grounds of mobile reception being patchy in Corfe. Also the telephone box is next to the village hall and a defibrillator and access to the telephone is needed to access the equipment if no mobile signal is available. The phone box is currently out of use and so it is impossible to tell whether there is any demand for the service from our parishioners.
17	01823352726	PCO PCO1 HOLWAY GREEN TAUNTON	TA1 2YJ	12	Object	These should stay as the telephones are being used because they are obviously of use to local people presumably without phones

18	01823337876	PCO PCO1 FARRANT CLOSE BISHOPS HULL TAUNTON	TA1 5EL	2		No submissions received.
19	01823337684	PCO PCO1 WORDSWORTH DRIVE TAUNTON	TA1 2HJ	6	Object	These should stay as the telephones are being used because they are obviously of use to local people presumably without phones
20	01823337527	PCO PCO1 EASTWICK ROAD TAUNTON	TA2 7HG	11	Object	These should stay as the telephones are being used and the Ward Members advise that there is a high level of dmoestic violence in this area so access to a telephone is critical
21	01823333694	PCO PCO1 CHEDDON ROAD TAUNTON	TA2 7AX	31	Object	These should stay as the telephones are being used and the Ward Members advise that there is a high level of domestic violence in this area so access to a telephone is critical
22	01823275408	PCO PCO1 PRIORSWOOD ROAD TAUNTON	TA2 7PL	6	Object	These should stay as the telephones are being used and the Ward Members advise that there is a high level of dmoestic violence in this area so access to a telephone is critical
23	01823490220	PCO PCO1 THE PAVEMENT NORTH CURRY TAUNTON	TA3 6LU	2	Object	I am writing to you on behalf of North Curry Parish Council to strongly object.The grounds for this request are as follows: 1. Mobile phone reception in the centre of the village is extremely poor (non-existent for many) and this phone box is in regular use – 153 calls in the last 12 months (significantly higher than all the other phone boxes proposed for removal, the majority of which had either not been used at all or been used less than 5 times over the year). 2. This phone box is located adjacent to North Curry's defibrillator. In view of the extremely limited mobile phone reception in this area it is essential that reliable telephone access close to the defibrillator is maintained for emergency use. 3. The phone box is opposite a pub, in the absence of mobile phone reception, many wishing to avoid drink driving makes use of the phone to call for a lift, it's absence could result in increased drink driving. 4. The phone box is in the Conservation Area of the village and part of the heritage of the village. 5. The nearest alternative public phone boxes are several miles away in adjacent villages but these are also proposed for removal so the nearest public phone box would then be many miles away. 6. The phone box has no history of vandalism.