

Telephone Number	Address	Postcode	Average calls per	Posting Completed Date	Agree Adopt Object	Reason for objection - based on need for telephony only not the kiosk
016438622 29	PCO PC01 PORLOCK WEIR MINEHEAD	TA24 8PD	0	09/03/2021	Object	<p>Key Points</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.Exmoor National Park receives a high number of visitors to the area – approximately 1.36 million tourists in 2015 (2.14 million visitor days). 2.Exmoor has an extensive rights of way network with over 1000km of rights of way open to walkers. Walking tends to be the most popular outdoor recreation activity on Exmoor; therefore, it is important, as a general approach, that the public telephone box network within the National Park is maintained for emergency and other important telephone calls. Porlock Weir is on the South West Coast Path – a national trail. 3.A number of public phone boxes in Exmoor National Park, including this one at Porlock Weir, are in a coastal location. 4.There is very patchy mobile phone coverage due to the terrain and landscape within the National Park – most notably the steep combs inhibit mobile phone reception. Even if a mast is not far away, a signal cannot always be accessed in the bottom of the valleys. 5.Public telephone boxes may be used at any time, whereas premises that offer access to a payphone facility, may have only limited opening hours or access. 6.In terms of local distinctiveness and heritage, the phone box identified by BT in this consultation is a traditional K6 ‘Jubilee Kiosk’ - introduced from 1936 to celebrate the Silver Jubilee of King George V. Many of the traditional K6 red public telephone boxes were listed during the 1980s. <p>Porlock Weir TA24 8PD (01643 862229)</p> <p>Porlock Weir is a coastal settlement. This telephone box is in the centre of Porlock Weir. It is in the Historic Settlement Core, within the Conservation Area and is considered to make a positive contribution to the streetscene. It is also recorded on the Exmoor National Park Historic Environment Record. The National Park Authority considers that it is important to retain this phone box because of its heritage value as a K6 red phone box. This is consistent with the National Park’s statutory purpose to conserve and enhance cultural heritage.</p> <p>As the topography of Exmoor National Park limits mobile phone coverage and this is the only public phone box in Porlock Weir, if BT remove the phone box, Porlock Weir, a coastal community, will be left without a public phone. Exmoor National Park Authority objects to the removal of the public phone box.</p>

019846312 69	PCO PCO1 SWAIN STREET WATCHET	TA23 0AE	20	09/03/2021	Object	The telephone box in Swain Street Car park is retained as a telephone box, as it has been reported to the Town Council that the mobile signal is not good in this area and there is a need for the telephone line to be retained. If however, BT make the decision to remove the telephone line, Watchet Town Council would like to adopt the box as a town asset. Please contact mailbox@watchettowncouncil.org
012787322 79	PCO PCO1 VICARAGE ROAD STOGURSEY BRIDGWATER	TA5 1RD	0	09/03/2021		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.e. Vicarage Road, Stogursey and Forge Close, Burton. I would point out that the call box in Vicarage Road, Stogursey is within the boundaries of Stogursey Conservation area.
018233370 64	PCO PCO1 HILLY PARK NORTON FITZWARREN TAUNTON	TA2 6RH	1	09/03/2021	Object	Ward Councillor Ed Firmin has put out a public campaign for residents to come forward to give real life examples of need of use. The replies he got back were for emergency needs. This includes use for calling emergency services or for where a mobile has been forgotten. But I would still like to put in my objection to having the Norton Fitzwarren Phonebox removed for the above reasons.