

WIRRAL COUNCIL

Final Notification under Section 49 of the Communications Act 2003

Decision by Wirral 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. On 11 October 2019, Wirral Council, in accordance with Section 49(4) of the Communications Act 2003 ('the Act'), issued a notification setting out its 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 ("the First Notification").
2. A copy of the First Notification was sent to the Secretary of State in accordance with Section 50(1)(b) of the Act.
3. In the First Notification, Wirral Council invited representations about the draft decision by 5PM on 21st November 2019.
4. Wirral Council has considered every representation about the draft decision duly made to it and Ofcom has not notified Wirral Council of any international obligation of the United Kingdom for this purpose.
5. The decision is set out in the Schedule to this Notification.
6. The effect of, and Wirral Council's reasons for making, the decision is set out in the Schedule to this Notification.
7. Wirral Council consider that the decision complies with the requirements of Sections 45 to 50 of the Act, as appropriate and relevant to the proposals.
8. In making the decision, Wirral Council has considered and acted in accordance with the six community requirements in Section 4 of the Act.
9. A copy of this Notification has been sent to the Secretary of State in accordance with Section 50(1)(b) of the Act.
10. The Schedule to this Notification shall form part of this Notification.

David Ball

Assistant Director (Major Growth Projects and Housing Delivery)

A person authorised by Wirral Council to sign this Notification

26 November 2019.

Schedule

Decision by Wirral 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 14th March 2006 ('the Direction').

	Telephone Number	Location	Response <i>Either Agree/ Adopt/Object</i>	Reason(s)
1.	0151 327 2321	PCO PCO1 Stanley Lane Wirral CH42 0AQ	Adopt	Eastham Village Preservation Association have made representations to the Council for adoption to be used for community use(s).
2.	0151 336 3441	Thornton Hough Village PCO1 St Georges Way, Wirral CH63 1JJ	Object	<p>The Council acknowledges that the number of calls in the last 12 months from this PCB is extremely low. However, the box is a traditional red telephone kiosk design that contributes significantly to the character of Thornton Hough Conservation Area, being predominantly located in the centre of the village at the on St George's Way. The box is considered to play an important part in the character and heritage of Thornton Hough Village.</p> <p>Additionally, 1 objection has been received on the grounds that its removal would harm the character and appearance of this beautiful village.</p>
3.	0151 604 1991	O/S Arrowe Park Hospital PCO1 Arrowe Park Road Wirral CH49 5PE	Agree	No objections have been received.
4.	0151 608 1227	Opp Village Road PCO1 Teehay Lane Wirral CH63 2JF	Adopt	<p>No objections received. The Council notes that 206 calls have been made from this telephone box in the last 12 months which may indicate it still serves some useful social purpose.</p> <p>A representation has been made to the Council that the Community Heartbeat Trust have been working with the</p>

				community to place a defibrillator in the kiosk.
5.	0151 608 2980	Nr Goldsmith Road PCO1 Prenton Hall Road Prenton Wirral CH43 0RA	Object	No objections received. However, the Council notes that 319 calls have been made from this box in the past 12 months which appears to suggest that the PCB still retains some significant social purpose & may suggest people without access to a mobile and/or fixed telephone.
6.	0151 638 2241	Nr Wallasey Village PCO1 Sandy Lane Wallasey Wirral CH45 3JY	Object	1 objection has been made. The Council also notes that 294 calls have been made from this box in the past 12 months which appears to suggest that the PCB still retains some significant social purpose & may suggest people without access to a mobile and/or fixed telephone.
7.	0151 638 4160	Broadway Ave PCO1 Belvidere Road Wallasey Wirral CH45 4PS	Agree	No objections have been received.
8.	0151 639 2021	JNC Claremount Road PCO1 Grove Road Wallasey Wirral CH45 0JB	Agree	1 objection received and the number of calls in the past 12 months is moderately low.
9.	0151 645 2201	PCO PCO1 Mount Road Birkenhead Wirral CH42 6PN	Agree	No objections received.
10.	0151 645 2493	JNC Quarry Ave PCO1 Church Road Bebington Wirral CH63 3ED	Agree	No objections received.
11.	0151 645 4653	JNC Town Lane PCO1 Old Chester Road Bebington CH63 7LF	Object	No objections have been made, however, the Council notes that 428 calls have been made from this box in the past 12 months which appears to suggest that the PCB still retains some significant social purpose & may suggest people without access to a mobile and/or fixed telephone.
12.	0151 645 5419	JNC Bebington Rd PCO1 Bedford Avenue	Agree	No objections received.

		Birkenhead CH42 4QX		
13.	0151 648 1275	Near Irby Post Office PCO1 Thingwall Road CH61 3UA	Agree	No objections received.
14.	0151 648 3439	JNC Beaumaris Drive PCO1 Barnston Road Heswall CH61 1AR	Agree	No objections received.
15.	0151 648 3664	JNC Pensby Rd PCO1 Fishers Lane Wirral CH61 5XG	Object	The Council notes that 257 calls have been made from this box in the past 12 months which appears to suggest that the PCB still retains some significant social purpose. The tenure of housing in this area (a significant proportion of rented property) may suggest people without access to a mobile and/or fixed telephone.
16.	0151 652 1137	Nr Backford Way PCO1 Townfield Lane Wirral CH43 2LH	Agree	No objections received.
17.	0151 652 3743	Nr Bidston Rd PCO1 Gerald Road Prenton CH43 2JX	Agree	No objections received.
18.	0151 677 2151	PCO Opposite No. Reeds Lane Wirral CH46 1QT	Agree	No objections received.
19.	0151 677 2323	Opp Coniston Ave PCO1 Upton Road Birkenhead CH41 0DE	Agree	No objections received.
20.	0151 677 2370	JNC Royden Rd PCO1 Moreton Road Wirral CH49 4NR	Agree	No objections received.
21.	0151 677 5355	JNC Stuart Ave & Hoylake Road PCO1 Hoylake Road Moreton CH46 6AE	Agree	No objections received.
22.	0151 677 5427	Opp Upton Library PCO1 Ford Road Wirral CH49 0TA	Agree	No objections received.

23.	0151 677 5427	JNC Arrowe Rd PCO1 Caulfield Drive Greasby CH49 1SN	Adopt	Greasby Community Association have expressed interest in adopting this box. Contact details: chairman@greasbycommunity.uk
24.	0151 677 5700	O/S Post Office PCO1 Greasby Road Greasby CH49 2PE	Adopt	Greasby Community Association have expressed interest in adopting this box. Contact details: chairman@greasbycommunity.uk
25.	0151 677 9191	JNC Church Lane PCO1 Church Lane Upton CH49 7LR	Agree	No objections received.
26.	0151 678 5405	O/S 127 PCO1 Saughall Massie Road Upton CH49 4LA	Agree	No objections received.