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Date: 12 January 2017

For the attention of Simon Moseley

Dear Sir

Decision by Hertsmere Borough 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').

Hertsmere Borough Council in accordance with section 49 of the Communications Act 2003 ('the Act'), hereby make a decision in response to a proposal by British Telecommunications plc for the removal of public call boxes pursuant to Part 2 of the Direction.

Section 50(1)(b) of the Act requires Hertsmere Borough Council to send to the Secretary of State a copy of every notification published under section 49 of the Act.

A copy of the Final Notification is enclosed herewith.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Ann Darnell Planning Officer

## Notification under section 49 of the Communications Act 2003

- 1. On 6 December 2016, Hertsmere Borough 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, Hertsmere Borough Council invited representations about the draft decision by 5pm on 9 January 2017.
- 4. Hertsmere Borough Council has considered every representation about the draft decision duly made to it and Ofcom has not notified Hertsmere Borough 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 Hertsmere Borough Council's reasons for making, the decision is set out in the Schedule to this Notification.
- 7. Hertsmere Borough 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, Hertsmere Borough 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.

Mark Silverman

**Policy and Transport Manager** 

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A person authorised by Hertsmere Borough Council to sign this Notification

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## **Schedule**

Draft decision by Hertsmere Borough 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').

Telephone number  Location  Calls in last 12 months  O1707642117  Junction Brookside Blackhorse Lane South Mimms  Calls in (Object/Consent)  OBrookside Blackhorse Lane South Mimms	
01707642117 Junction 0 Brookside Blackhorse Lane South	
Brookside Blackhorse Lane South	
Blackhorse Lane South	
Lane South	
Potters Bar	
01707643795 Junction 0	
Church Road	
Sandringham	
Road Potters	
Bar	
01707650204 Junction 4	
Southgate Pand bill Bins	
Road hill Rise Potters Bar	
01707651793 o/s 112 0	
Dugdale Hill	
Lane Potters	
Bar	
01707654490 Junction 0	
Laurel Avenue	
Mutton Lane	
Potters Bar	
01707655190 Junction 7	
Carpenter	
Way Oakmere	
Avenue	
Potters Bar	
01707656290 o/s Chace 0 Avenue	
Potters Bar	
01707658245 Junction 12	
Mimms Hall	
Road Mutton	
Lane Potters	
Bar	
01923224431 Junction 0	
Bushey Grove	
Road Bushey	
Hall Road	
Bushey	
01923229268   Opp 478   0	
Bushey Mill Lane Bushey	
01923856499 o/s Aldenham 0	
Social Club	
Church Lane	
Aldenham	
Watford	

On The Green The Green Letchmore Heath Watford  Object  1. The payphone was used for 33 calls in the last 12 months – demonstrates need for public payphone.  Letchmore Heath is a small village, with only around 100 properties within 400m of payphone box – demonstrates possible concern about alternative access to telephone services.  Letchmore Heath village is close to Bhaktivedanta Manor religious establishment attracting many car-borne visitors to events who may require access to payphone.  Representations received
in response to the first notification requesting retention due to number of elderly people living in the settlement, this being their only means of emergency communication, long walk to alternative public phone, low maintenance cost, levels of use demonstrate need for payphone to remain.
01923856907
2. Objection received from leader of cycle rides who would like to know that she still has a public payphone to use in case of emergency if she has no mobile signal or run out of battery.
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leader of cycle rides who would like to know that she still has a public payphone to use in case of emergency if she has no mobile signal or run out of battery.  O2082076224 Outside 31-33 Farriers Way

	The Rutts Bushey Heath Bushey			
02089501635	o/s 147 Little Bushey Lane Bushe	2		
02089502338	Junction Farm Way Ford Close Bushey	1		
02089507814	o/s 41 High Road Bushey Heath Bushey	230	Object	<ol> <li>The payphone was used for 230 calls in the last 12 months – demonstrates need for public payphone.</li> <li>Town centre area – possible lack of alternative access to telephone services late at night</li> </ol>
02089530065	o/s 2 Linton Avenue Borehamwood	0		
02089530115	o/s 186 Gateshead Road Borehamwood	40	Object	<ol> <li>Higher level of deprivation in this area (ONS Neighbourhood Statistics) than elsewhere in Hertsmere suggests more households may be dependent on public payphone.</li> <li>Level of use suggests an on-going need for public payphone</li> </ol>
02089530116	o/s 12 Aycliffe Road Borehamwood	9		
02089533579	PCO High Street Elstree Borehamwood	0		
02089534410	Junction Rossington Avenue Tuxford Close Borehamwood	7		
02089537110	Opposite Arundel Drive Furzehill Road Borehamwood	1		

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Mark Silverman Policy and Transport Manager

Area: Hertsmere District