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Application Ref: **2017/3448/P** Please ask for: **Charlotte Meynell** Telephone: 020 7974 **2598**

3 August 2017

Dear Sir/Madam

Mr Tom Fisher

PO Box 4846 Maidenhead

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DECISION

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) **Prior Approval Required - Approval Refused**

Address: Pavement outside King's Cross Railway Station Opposite 2 York Way London N1 9AP

Proposal: Installation of 1 x telephone kiosk on the pavement.

Drawing Nos: 001/01; 001/02; Site Location Plan; Supporting Letter (Prepared by Euro-Payphone, dated 14/06/2017).

The Council has considered your application for prior approval of siting and appearance in respect of the telecommunications equipment described above determines that prior approval is required and hereby **refuses approval** for the following reasons.

Reason(s) for Objection

1 Reasons for Refusal

The proposed telephone kiosk, by reason of its location, size and detailed design, would add harmful visual clutter, detract from the character and appearance of the street scene and the King's Cross / St. Pancras Conservation Area and harm the setting of the adjacent Grade I listed building, contrary to policies D1 (Design) and D2 (Heritage) of the Camden Local Plan 2017.



- 2 The proposed telephone kiosk, by virtue of its location, size and detailed design, and adding unnecessary street clutter, would reduce the amount of useable, unobstructed footway, which would be detrimental to the quality of the public realm, cause harm to highway safety and hinder pedestrian movement and have a detrimental impact on the promotion of walking as an alternative to motorised transport, contrary to policies G1 (Delivery and location of growth), A1 (Managing the impact of development), C6 (Access for all) and T1 (Prioritising walking, cycling and public transport) of the Camden Local Plan 2017.
- 3 The proposed telephone kiosk, by virtue of its inappropriate siting, size and design, would fail to reduce opportunities for crime and antisocial behaviour to the detriment of community safety and security, and compromise the safety of those using and servicing the telephone kiosk contrary to policy C5 (Safety and Security) of the Camden Local Plan 2017.
- 4 The proposed telephone kiosk, by reason of its design, would not be accessible to wheelchair users, failing to promote fair access or meet sufficient standard of design contrary to policy C6 (Access for all) of the Camden Local Plan 2017.

In dealing with the application, the Council has sought to work with the applicant in a positive and proactive way in accordance with paragraphs 186 and 187 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

You can find advice about your rights of appeal at:

http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/planning/appeals/guidance/guidancecontent

Yours faithfully

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