## **Gentet, Matthias**

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To: Planning

**Cc:** Gentet, Matthias **Subject:** Telephone Kiosks

Matthias,

I has a meeting today with Nora regarding all the phone boxes that are being changed in Camden and spoke to her about all these applications. Would it be possible for the below comment (in blue) to be placed on all the following applications please?

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## **COMMENTS**

- 1. Telephone kiosks are no longer used for their original purpose due to the fact that nearly every person is in possession of some kind of mobile device thus negating the need to use fixed land line telephone. As a result of this the phone boxes in The London Borough of Camden have now become 'crime generators' and a focal point for anti social behaviour (ASB).
- 2. My own previous experience of policing Camden highlights the above ASB, ranging from witnessing the taking of Class A drugs, urination, littering, the placing of 'Prostitute Cards' and sexual activities. All of which have occurred in telephone kiosks.
- 3. The introduction of illuminated advertising to the telephone kiosk will only increase the above ASB, any advertising conceals the activities of what is occurring inside the actual space and prevents police or passers by seeing what or who is in there. This generates for the latter a fear of crime.
- 4. The extra lighting produced by the advertising will also create an added distraction to an already cluttered street space. Any CCTV monitoring the area will be effected by this and therefore any crime prevention they produce is lost.
- 5. For the above reasons I object to this planning application.

Many thanks

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http://content.met.police.uk/Site/crimeprevention

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