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Charlotte,

Could my comments below the red line be placed onto the following planning applications please?

Many thanks

Jim

2018/0316/P - Pavement outside 75 Kingsway London WC2B 6SR
2018/0319/P - Land Adjacent to 229 High Holborn, London, WC1V 7DA
2018/0318/P - Land Adjacent to 69-70 Russell Square, London, WC1B 5BA
2018/0324/P - Land Adjacent to 121 Shaftesbury Avenue, London, WC2H 8AD
2018/0340/P - Land Adjacent to 135 Camden High Street, London, NW1 7JR
2018/0347/P - Land Adjacent to 14-16 Camden High Street, London, NW1 0JH
2018/0325/P - Land Adjacent to 1 St Giles High Street, London, WC2H 8AG
2018/0327/P - Land Adjacent to 167 - 169 Shaftesbury Avenue, London, WC2H 8AN
2018/0309/P - Land Adjacent to Warren Street Underground Station, Tottenham Court Road, London, NW1 3AA
2018/0310/P - Pavement outside 23 Tottenham Court Road, London, W1T 1BJ
2018/0317/P - Pavement outside 97 Southampton Row, London, WC1B 4HH
2018/0311/P - Land Adjacent to 39 Tottenham Court Road, London, W1T 2AR
2018/0322/P - Pavement outside 190 High Holborn, London, WC1V 7BH
2018/0312/P - Land Adjacent to 80 - 85 Tottenham Court Road, London, W1T 4TE
2018/0313/P - Land Adjacent to Unison Centre, 130 Euston Road, London, NW1 2AY
2018/0315/P - Land Adjacent to Warren Street Underground Station, Euston Road, London
2018/0323/P - Land Adjacent to 6 Gray's Inn Road, London, WC1X 8HG
2018/0330/P - Land Adjacent to 137-139 Euston Road, London, NW1 2AA
2018/0331/P - Land Adjacent to 145-149 Tottenham Court Road, London, W1T 7NE
2018/0329/P - Pavement outside 16 Procter Street, London, WC1V 6NX
2018/0320/P - Pavement outside 113 High Holborn, London, WC1V 6JJ
2018/0321/P - Pavement outside 166 High Holborn, London, WC1V 6TT
2018/0314/NEW - Pavement outside 101 Euston Road, London, NW1 2RA
2018/0326/P - Pavement outside of 100-110 Euston Road, London, NW1 2AJ
2018/0334/P - Pavement outside 1 Haverstock Hill, London, NW3 2BP
2018/0332/P - Pavement outside 70 Theobald's Road, London, WC1N 3NR
2018/0335/P - Pavement outside 24 Haverstock Hill LONDON NW3 2BQ
2018/0342/P - Pavement outside 27-28 Chalk Farm Road, London, NW1 8AG
2018/0343/P - Pavement outside 100 Avenue Road, London, NW3 3HF
2018/0344/P - Pavement outside 88 Avenue Road, London, NW3 3HA
2018/0336/NEW - Pavement Outside 197 Kentish Town Road, London, NW5 2JU
2018/0337/P - Pavement outside 53-79 Highgate Road, London, NW5 1TL
2018/0346/NEW - Pavement outside 511 Finchley Road, London, NW3 7BB

FAO Charlotte Meynall

Thank you for allowing me to comment on this planning application regarding the installation of a telephone kiosk at the location.

I strongly object to this planning application. Please find my reasons below.

COMMENTS

- 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).
- 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', graffiti, sexual activities and a fixed location for begging. All of which have occurred within the current telephone kiosks. Also, due to poor maintenance any that are damaged or are dirty do not get cleaned, which makes the telephone kiosk unusable and an eye sore. Following the 'Broken Window' theory, if a location looks and feels that it is uncared for and in a state of disrepair then this leads to other criminal activity occurring within that location.
- The introduction of the telephone kiosk will only increase the above ASB, as it conceals the activities of what is occurring inside the actual space and prevents police or passers-by seeing what or who is in/near there. This generates for the latter a fear of crime especially in regards to begging. As they will use the phone box as a cover and as a back rest when they sit on the floor, when the footpath is reduced in width even more by their presence pedestrians have to walk past closely and therefore this generates an uncomfortable feeling for them.
- The extra lighting produced by the kiosk and the space it uses up in the public realm 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/detection properties they produce is lost.
- Recent media reports have highlighted the increase in planning applications submitted to local planners for the construction of telephone kiosks. These were proven to have very little or no benefit to the local community especially in regards to the facilities that they are alleged to supply. The main reason busy locations with a high pedestrian and vehicle activity is chosen so that the telephone kiosk can be used as advertising space.
- For the above reasons I object to this planning application

Kind Regards

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