## Muthoora, Leela

From: Carr, Seonaid
Sent: 12 March 2018 15:01

**To:** Young, Tony; Enirayetan, Oluwaseyi; Muthoora, Leela; Meynell, Charlotte

**Subject:** FW: GDPO Phone Boxes

**Importance:** High

Hi all,

Please note Cllr Harrisons email below which is his objection to all applications.

Please ensure this is noted within your reports and logged on TRIM.

Thanks,

Seonaid Carr Principal Planner

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From: Harrison, Adam (Councillor) Sent: 12 March 2018 14:58

To: Carr, Seonaid <Seonaid.Carr@camden.gov.uk>

Cc: Madlani, Rishi (Councillor) < Rishi. Madlani@camden.gov.uk >; Francis, Sabrina (Councillor)

<Sabrina.Francis@camden.gov.uk> **Subject:** Re: GDPO Phone Boxes

Many thanks for this, Seonaid.

I and my fellow ward councillors for Bloomsbury, Sabrina Francis and Rishi Madlani, would like to object on the following grounds to all the applications noted in your email.

- Street environment: use of space

As ward councillors for a central London ward, and one amongst us with executive responsible for street management and the environment, we are aware of the enormous demands that there are on space on the public highway. There are always a large number of competing claims from different items of street furniture. Their location can also impact on meeting other related demands, such as providing different types of parking or keeping the highway between a phonebox and nearby buildings clear. Especially as London's population only grows, with the number of jobs projected to grow in the area (increasing the daytime population), and the arrival of major transport infrastructure developments such as Crossrail and HS2, permitting these new phoneboxes to sprout up in these locations will cause significant detriment to the local authority's ability to effectively manage the streets, hindering the achievement of the very valid public aims of keeping the street clear, moving and uncluttered. When set against the virtually zero public benefit of more pay phones in the era of the smartphone – and in an area already with a preponderance of phoneboxes – the additional clutter these would bring to the area form a strong reason for refusal. While

we are here, one notes the brazenness of the pretence that these items are being proposed for any reason other than to generate income through advertising, which in itself represents zero public benefit.

## - Street environment: cleanliness

Phoneboxes attract litter and mess of a variety of type, both inside the structures and adjacent. Getting the companies to properly and regularly clean them is a never ending struggle, and it is not a task where they have covered themselves in glory. On occasion the council has stepped in to clean. These applications should be refused on the grounds of (lack of) cleanliness, consequent impact on the appearance of the area, and the drain this can represent to the local authority.

## - Crime and antisocial behaviour

As noted by the local police, phoneboxes can attract and provide a place for crime and antisocial behaviour to take place in. Creating new semi-enclosed spaces runs counter to both good design when it comes to designing out crime, and their creation will also represent a further drain on the time and resources of the police and of the local authority whose community safety officers, we know from our experience of many years as ward councillors, are obliged to respond to residents' complaints about these on-street venues of crime.

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From: Carr, Seonaid

Sent: 12 March 2018 13:41:48
To: Harrison, Adam (Councillor)
Subject: GDPO Phone Boxes

Dear Cllr Harrison,

Following our conversation please find below a list of all 45 GDPO phone box applications which we are currently aiming to determine by Thursday of this week. If you want to send your objection to me I can pass onto the relevant officers as there are 4 dealing with the applications.

Application No.	Address
2018/0309/P	Warren Street Underground Station Tottenham Court Road LONDON LONDON NW1 3AA
2018/0310/ P	23 Tottenham Court Road LONDON LONDON W1T 1BJ
2018/0311/P	39 Tottenham Court Road LONDON LONDON W1T 2AR
2018/0312/ P	80-85 Tottenham Court Road LONDON LONDON W1T 4TGE

2018/0313/P	130 Euston Road LONDON LONDON NW1 2AY
2018/0314/P	101 Euston Road LONDON LONDON NW1 2RA
2018/0315/P	Euston Road adjacent Warren Street Station LONDON LONDON NW1 3AA
2018/0316/P	75 Kingsway LONDON LONDON WC2B 6SR
2018/0317/P	97 Southampton Row LONDON LONDON WC1B 4HH
2018/0318/P	69-70 Russell Square LONDON LONDON WC1B 5BA
2018/0319/P	229 High Holborn LONDON LONDON WC1V 7DA
2018/0320/P	113 High Holborn LONDON LONDON WC1V 6JJ
2018/0321/P	166 High Holborn LONDON LONDON WC1V 6TT
2018/0322/P	190 High Holborn LONDON LONDON WC1V 7BH
2018/0323/P	6 Gray's Inn Road LONDON LONDON WC1X 8AT
2018/0324/P	121 Shaftesbury Avenue LONDON LONDON WC2H 8AD
2018/0325/P	St. Giles High Street adj. Central St Giles Piazza LONDON LONDON WC2H 8AG
2018/0326/P	100-110 Euston Road LONDON LONDON NW1 2AJ
2018/0327/P	167-169 Shaftesbury Avenue LONDON LONDON WC2H 8AN
2018/0328/P	7 High Holborn LONDON LONDON WC1V 6DR
2018/0329/P	16 Procter Street LONDON LONDON WC1V 6NX
2018/0330/P	137-139 Euston Road LONDON LONDON NW1 2AA
2018/0331/P	145 Tottenham Court Road LONDON LONDON W1T 7NE
2018/0332/P	70 Theobald's Road LONDON LONDON WC1N 3NR
2018/0333/P	90 Tottenham Court Road LONDON LONDON W1T 4TJ
2018/0334/P	1 adj. Haverstock Hill LONDON LONDON NW3 2BP
2018/0335/P	24 adj. Haverstock Hill LONDON LONDON NW3 2BQ
2018/0336/P	197 Kentish Town Road LONDON LONDON NW5 2JU
2018/0337/P	53-79 Highgate Road LONDON LONDON NW5 1TL
2018/0338/P	19 Highgate Road LONDON LONDON NW5 1LB
2018/0339/P	42 Highgate Road LONDON LONDON NW5 1NT
2018/0340/P	135 Camden High Street LONDON LONDON NW1 7JR
2018/0341/P	241 Camden High Street LONDON LONDON NW1 7BU
2018/0342/P	27-28 Chalk Farm Road LONDON LONDON NW1 8AG
2018/0343/P	100 Avenue Road London NW3 3HF
2018/0344/P	88 Avenue Road LONDON LONDON NW3 3HA
2018/0345/P	1 Court Close (Adelaide Road corner Finchley Road) LONDON LONDON NW8 6NN
2018/0346/P	511 Finchley Road LONDON LONDON NW3 7BB
2018/0347/P	14-16 Camden High Street LONDON LONDON NW1 0JH
2018/0348/P	17-24 Dobson Close (Finchley Road opposite cinema) LONDON LONDON NW6 4RS
2018/0349/P	55 Fortune Green Road LONDON LONDON NW6 1DR
2018/0350/P	131 Finchley Road LONDON LONDON NW3 6HY
2018/0351/P	108 108-110 Finchley Road LONDON LONDON NW3 5JJ
2018/0352/P	255 adj Finchley Road LONDON LONDON NW3 6LU
2018/0353/P	104 Finchley Road LONDON LONDON NW3 5EY

Many Thanks,

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