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Dear Kristina,

TfL Borough Planning Reference: 18/1221

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Location: O/S 83 Theobalde's Road

Proposal: Replacing 2 x existing kiosks with the installation of freestanding BT Panel providing phone and Wi-Fi facilities with 2 x internally illuminated advertisements.

Many Thanks for consulting TfL, with regard to the above planning application, TfL has the following comments:

- This application should be carefully considered by the Council, as similar units installed in London elsewhere function mainly as advertising, not communications infrastructure. TfL Planning has supported the introduction of BT InLink units only in exchange for removal of at least 2 redundant and dilapidated phone boxes. Removal of at least 2 phone boxes prior to installation of the new unit proposed in this application should therefore ideally be secured by appropriate planning obligations.
- TfL reminds the applicant and Council that the current London Plan Policy 6.10 (Walking) refers to 'promoting simplified streetscape, decluttering and access for all' and also states that Planning Decisions 'should ensure high quality pedestrian environments and emphasise the quality of the pedestrian and street space'. TfL Spatial Planning takes the view that the phone box proposed would not contribute in any way to a high quality pedestrian environment or emphasise the quality of pedestrian and street space.
- Decluttering the streetscape is also prioritised in TfL Streetscape Guidance (available from <https://tfl.gov.uk/corporate/publications-and-reports/streets-toolkit>). TfL expects the standards and principles in this document to be applied to all phone box replacement applications by the council.

Due to the location of the proposal; TfL has no further comments.

Kind regards.

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