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2021/2113/P	E Bagenal	29/06/2021 09:54:00	OBJ	<p>These type of phone hubs are consistently used by those suffering from addiction, to obtain drugs. Not only has this been repeatedly reported in the national press, but it is clearly visible in London, anywhere these hubs are present. Often often the users that fall into this category are unhoused and in states of difficult mental health and similarly afflicted. This unfortunately means that areas in which these type of phone hubs are introduced are disproportionately effected by anti social behaviour and crime that accompanies this phenomenon. The introduction of these hubs will, without doubt act as a catalyst for an increase in the likelihood that the members of our public who suffer from addiction and remain unhoused, often without social care programmes or availability of treatment (as is now the case under current policies, unfortunately). I know these will have been presented by JCDecaux as beneficial, socially, but the social impact on the victims of addiction and also our local community will be hugely detrimental, and will outweigh any benefit of the sort the propose with these hubs, however commercially beneficial they are for the company or anyone else involved in/benefitting from these contracts?</p>

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