

<b>BT consultation to remove the public telephone service from Cozies Road Junction, Castlecat Road, BT53 8AP, to allow the Parish/Town Council adopt the K6 red telephone box for the local community.</b>	<b>24<sup>th</sup> February 2021</b>
<b>PLANNING COMMITTEE</b>	

<b>Linkage to Council Strategy (2015-19)</b>	
<b>Strategic Theme</b>	<b>Outcome</b>
Leader and Champion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Our Elected Members will provide civic leadership to our citizens working to promote the Borough as an attractive place to live, work, invest and visit.</li> </ul>
Protect the environment in which we live	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All environments in the area will benefit from pro-active decision making which protects the natural features, characteristics and integrity of the Borough.</li> </ul>
<b>Lead Officer</b>	Principal Planning Officer
<b>Cost:</b> (If applicable)	N/A

## **For Decision**

### **1.0 Background**

- 1.1 BT consulted the Council on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2021 on the removal of the public payphone service at the junction of Cozies Road/Castlecat Road (see photos on page 2) and to allow the Ballylough Living History Trust to adopt the K6 red telephone box for the local community (see Appendix 1).

### **2.0 Detail**

- 2.1 BT have advised that it has received a request from June Traill, CEO, Ballylough Living History Trust, to adopt the K6 telephone kiosk 02820741374.
- 2.2 BT have advised that they are meeting their obligation to provide a Universal Service as there are other kiosks remaining in the area. The nearest alternative kiosk is at Orby Drive, Luscolman. Ballymoney, BT53 8EB, which is 2951 meters away.
- 2.3 BT have an obligation to consult with the relevant public bodies on the proposed removal and require a response within 90 days.



### **3.0 Options**

**Option 1:** Agree to support the removal: or

**Option 2:** Agree to oppose the removal.

### **4.0 Recommendation**

4.1 **IT IS RECOMMENDED** that Members agree either Option 1 or 2 above to the proposed removal of the phone box and to the Head of Planning responding to BT on behalf of Council.



Planning Department  
Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council  
Civic Headquarters  
Cloonavin, 66 Portstewart Road  
Coleraine BT52 1EY

5<sup>th</sup> February 2021

**TIME SENSITIVE DOCUMENT – REPLY REQUIRED**

Our reference: - JB-02820741374

Dear Sir or Madam,

**REMOVAL OF PUBLIC PAYPHONE SERVICE:**

I am writing to advise you that BT has received a request from June Traill, CEO, Ballylough Living History Trust, to adopt the K6 telephone kiosk 02820741374 Cosies Road Junction Castlecat Road Castlecatt BT53 8AP.

Our obligation to provide a Universal Service will be maintained, as there are other kiosks within the vicinity. The nearest alternative kiosk is at Orby Drive, Luscolman. Ballymoney. BT53 8EB, which is 2951 meters away.

Before we can remove a kiosk we have an obligation to consult with relevant public bodies on the proposed removal. As part of the consultation process it is a requirement that the Council reply in writing to BT within 90-days giving their comments or any objections received from the local community.

Further information on the consultation process can be found at: [bt.com/adopt](http://bt.com/adopt)

I am writing on behalf of the CEO, Mrs Traill, and ask that Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council do not raise any objection to cease of service so the Trust can adopt the telephone kiosk, which is their desire.

If you do not reply, it will be taken that the council and interested parties have no objection to the permanent removal of this payphone.

A notice of our proposal is being displayed in the kiosk and a copy is enclosed with this letter for your information.

If you require any further information or have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me via email at [btpcf@bt.com](mailto:btpcf@bt.com)

Yours faithfully  
Jim Blanch

BT Payphones - Commercial Field Officer

Date of this notice



## IMPORTANT NOTICE

### Public Telephone Kiosk 02820741374

**Ballylough Living History Trust has requested to adopt this telephone box. We are therefore proposing to remove Payphone service at this location.**

The nearest alternative payphone can be found at:

**Orby Drive  
Luscolman  
Ballymoney  
BT53 8EB**

If you have any comments about this, please contact the planning department at **Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council** within 42 days from the date of this notice, quoting telephone number of this payphone

#### **BT Payphones**

**Email address: [btpcfo@bt.com](mailto:btpcfo@bt.com)**

#### **Postal address:**

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