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Argyll & Bute Council  
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PA31 8RT

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**TIME SENSITIVE DOCUMENT – REPLY REQUIRED**

Our reference: - JB-01496850253

Dear Sir or Madam,

**REMOVAL OF PUBLIC PAYPHONE SERVICE:**

I am writing to advise you that BT has received requests from Fiona Middleton, Chair and Trustee, Save Our Seals Fund to adopt the K6 telephone kiosk in their village 01496850253. Sanaig Road End, Gruinart. Isle of Islay. PA44 7PS

Our obligation to provide a Universal Service will be maintained, as there are other kiosks within the vicinity. The nearest alternative kiosk is at The Pier, Bruichladdich. Isle of Islay. PA49 7UN.

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:

<http://stakeholders.ofcom.org.uk/binaries/consultations/uso/statement/removals.pdf>

I am writing on behalf of Fiona Middleton, Chair and Trustee, Save Our Seals Fund, and ask that Argyll & Bute Council do not raise any objection to cease of service so that the Fund can adopt the telephone box, 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 [btpcfo@bt.com](mailto:btpcfo@bt.com)

Yours faithfully

Jim Blanch

BT Payphones - Commercial Field Officer