



ADOPT A KIOSK

Using an adopted Phone Box
to become an emergency medical centre



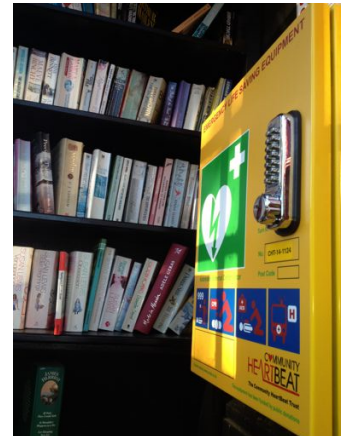
The famous Gilbert Scott designed K6 or Jubilee kiosk was launched in 1936 to celebrate King George V's silver jubilee. By the 1960's almost 70,000 kiosks could be found across the countryside, and whilst the public payphone service has undergone enormous changes since then, the traditional red kiosk had already forged itself as an iconic symbol of British life.

People use the public payphone service less and less these days. In order to maintain a social service where it is needed most, it has, in recent years, been necessary to reduce the overall number of public payphones on our high streets. Understanding that the red telephone box plays a significant part in our national heritage and in many cases forms a focal point for communities across the country BT is able to offer communities the opportunity to keep these kiosks.

BT and The Community Heartbeat Trust, are working together to help communities turn their adopted telephone boxes into local medical centers, by using them as homes for Public Access Defibrillators, storing the defibrillator in a well recognised, safe, weather protected location.

Adoption of the telephone box is £1 from BT. Documentation for this is available from CHT or from the BT website. BT will provide free electricity for the first 7 years of the project for all CHT projects *only*. There is no automatic right to use the unmetered supply in a kiosk, only the 8 Watts in the adoption agreement for the internal light. The free renovation kit is also only available to CHT projects.

If you wish to convert your telephone box into a defibrillator location, please contact us for an information pack. More information can be found on the BT and CHT websites. In particular please refer to the FAQ section on the websites. Every CHT project includes Governance, via the WebNos system.



*Free renovation
kit from BCF
worth £75 for all
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To- Martin Fagan
- National Secretary
The Community HeartBeat Trust

Further to your request for clarification regarding the unmetered supply of electricity to kiosks, please find below the BT position on this.

As you are aware all kiosks have an unmetered supply.

Each month we supply a report to the electricity providers writing out the level of usage, and BT is charged accordingly.

Access to this unmetered electricity is not permitted in the absence of written approval from BT. In order to commence the process to obtain approval a community must submit a business case to BT.

BT has agreed to support the CHT charity in its applications to connect to this unmetered supply to support defibrillator placement. As part of this you maintain a register of sites for BT giving details of the sites where approval has been granted. Additionally CHT ensure the equipment being connected (to the unmetered supply) meets the appropriate safety standards.

The adoption contract for kiosks specifically says that a community adopting a kiosk can only have access to the 8W power for the existing light, and that this electricity supply may be withdrawn at any time. The electrical supply is not transferred as part of the adoption contract.

An adopting community are not permitted to connect anything to the unmetered power supply without BT's agreement and permission and as set out in this letter.

If a community wish to use the kiosk for something that requires significant power (more than 8W), then BT's advice is that you take over the power supply to the kiosk. In such circumstances BT can introduce the community to an electricity provider.

For the avoidance of doubt the community does not have an automatic right to access the unmetered supply, and to do so would be in breach of its adoption contracts.

We are aware of other organisations advising communities they can access the electrical supply and this information is incorrect.

I hope this clarifies the position, and wish you continued success in adopting and converting kiosks for defibrillator use.

Regards

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