

BURY COUNCIL
DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS

REF NO: 25/177

FROM: Head of Engineering

TO: Head of Development Management

Planning Application No: 72035

Location: Pavement at side of Unit 3 Angouleme Retail Park, George Street, Bury, BL9 7AX

Development: Installation of 1 No. BT Street Hub Unit with 2 no. digital 75 inch LCD display screens either side of unit and removal of existing phone kiosks

RECOMMENDATION

I recommend that this planning application be refused

Reasons

1. The proposal would result in an unnecessary and unacceptable obstruction of the existing adopted highway on the A58 (Angouleme Way) and the creation of additional street clutter for an installation that primarily consists of an advertisement screen, without agreement for the placement of such equipment on the adopted highway with the Highway Authority, which would be detrimental to pedestrian safety, maintaining existing pedestrian desire lines on the adopted highway on Angouleme Way and contrary to the active travel aspirations of the Council.
2. The proposal would reduce the available width of the existing adopted footway on the A58 (Angouleme Way) to substandard levels, which would be detrimental to pedestrian safety and maintaining existing pedestrian desire lines on the adopted highway on Angouleme Way.
3. The proposal would restrict visibility to the north of approaching southbound buses on the A58 (Angouleme Way) for pedestrians waiting at the adjacent bus stop, which would be contrary to the Council's 'Bury Local Transport Strategy' travel aspirations.
4. The application and submitted plans contain insufficient information in relation to the removal of existing phone kiosks stated as forming part of and justification for this proposal.

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Comments and Observations

It is brought to the attention of the applicant that the proposal affects existing adopted highway and that the necessary permit for the placement of such equipment on the adopted highway is highly likely to be refused by the Highway Authority.

Date: 30 July 2025

Signed: **A Southgate**
(pp) Head of Engineering

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