

BURY COUNCIL
DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS

REF NO: 25/173

FROM: Head of Engineering

TO: Head of Development Management

Planning Application No: 72031

Location: Pavement adjacent to car park in front of 174-176
Walmersley Road, Bury, BL9 6LL

Development: Installation of 1 No. BT Street Hub Unit with 2 no. digital
75 inch LCD display screens either side of unit and
relocation 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 A56 (Walmersley Road) 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 Walmersley Road 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 A56 (Walmersley Road) to sub-standard levels for Class 1 road, which would be detrimental to pedestrian safety and maintaining existing pedestrian desire lines on the adopted highway on Walmersley Road.
3. The application and submitted plans contain insufficient information in relation to the removal and relocation of an existing phone kiosk stated as forming part of and justification for this proposal.

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.

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Date: 30 July 2025

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

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