

18. BT PHONE BOX REMOVAL CONSULTATION - COSTINGS OF CONVERTING CLIFTON TERRACE PHONE BOX (WAYLEAVE PP12 PCO1 CLIFTON TERRACE LISKEARD, PL14 4HN) TO HOUSE A DEFIBRILLATOR

Background – at the last Town Council meeting, it was reported that BT were conducting a 90-day consultation on the closure of BT Phone Boxes across Cornwall. This included one in Liskeard at Clifton Terrace. In considering, the situation the Town Council decided (Minute 437/24) to seek further information including on the costs of placing a defibrillator and bleed kit in a decommissioned Phone Box.

Info from [Adopt a Kiosk Scheme](#) | [Buy a BT Phone Box](#) | [BT Business](#)

A new lease of life

For just £1, more than 5,000 communities have turned our iconic red phone boxes into something that brings more value and enjoyment to local people – from libraries, to food banks, and defibrillators.

- Recognised local authorities (district or borough council)
- Parish, community or town council (or equivalent)
- Registered charities
- Private landowner with one of our phone boxes on their land

The BT website – Link indicates that a kiosk can't be adopted unless the land on which the kiosk is owned by the adopting organisation. The land appears to be maintained by Cornwall Council. However, their plan does not show it as being owned by them. It does describe the site as an "Orphan Site" which they maintain but do not own. A Land Registry search has been carried out. It identifies the owner as: National Highways Ltd. which is a UK Government-owned company charged with operating, maintaining and improving motorways and major A roads in England. The A38 used to run through Liskeard before the bypass was built.

A recent grant application for the St Martin's Church Hall with Duchy Defibrillators as the contractor shows costs of £4,470 for a defib / bleed kit installation.

Duchy Defibrillators are the company that maintain and monitor the Town Council's current four defibrillators. The brochure from [Duchy-Defib-Cornwall.pdf](#) shows the details on page 5:

Our monitoring solution

There are defibrillators in towns and villages across the country – but are they rescue ready?

Defibrillators have to be regularly checked and maintained to ensure they are rescue ready if required. **We are experts in making sure defibrillators are fully functioning, providing a remote monitoring service.**

We've designed and built our own built-in cabinet **monitoring solution**, which allows **live information** on the status of the cabinet to be displayed on our portal at any time. It includes information such as the whether the door is open or closed and when the pads expire, and provides **notifications** if anything changes.

This can be installed within a side panel inside the cabinet and can be added to any of our cabinets at any time.

This system requires an internet connection or mobile data

connection.

We will maintain the cabinet and defibrillator from wear and tear, component failures, replace the pads when they expire and each time they have been used.

As part of this package, we work closely with South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust, to update and maintain the list of where defibrillators are located. We help with the location and return of deployed defibrillators, **allowing them to be used again as quickly as possible.** Any used pads or pads past their manufacturers expiry date are replaced.

This gives **ultimate assurance** in making sure the equipment is **rescue ready.**



Our package contains:

- 1X EXTERNAL CABINET WITH MONITORING SYSTEM INSTALLED
- 1X HEARTSINE 500P SEMI-AUTOMATIC DEFIBRILLATOR
- 1X SET OF ADULT PADS FOR THE DEVICE
- 1X CARRY CASE FOR THE DEVICE
- 1X RESUS KIT
- 1X TRIANGULAR SIGN WITH DEFIBRILLATOR LOGO VINYL
- 1X INFORMATION BOARD WITH GENERAL ADVICE ON ACCESS AND CPR
- 1X EXTERNAL LIGHT FITTING WITH 2W GREEN LED LAMP
- 1X 4FT X 2FT EXTERNAL PLY BOARD FOR ALL OF THE ABOVE TO BE INSTALLED ON
- 1X INSTALLATION
- 1X CPR AND DEFIBRILLATOR AWARENESS TRAINING EVENT

COST
£2,600.00
+VAT (£3,120.00)

ANNUAL FEE
£190.00
+VAT
(£228.00)

The monitoring solution package details above:

Defib only:

COST £2,600.00 +VAT

ANNUAL FEE £205.00 +VAT

Adding a Bleed Kit:

COST £90 + VAT

ANNUAL FEE £40 + VAT

Adding a bleed kit to the monitoring package below would be £90+VAT as we have a subscription with Bleed Control UK and receive the discounted rate.

It should be noted that this item does not appear as item in the approved budgets. Hence, the item could be taken from the General Reserve which is lower than it has been for several years.

Total: Device plus monitoring £2,600, Annual fee £205, Bleed kit £90. Total cost £2,895 + VAT.

RECOMMENDATION: THAT THE PROPOSAL IS CONSIDERED TO SUPPORT THE PLACEMENT OF A DEFIBRILATOR IN THE SOON TO BE DECOMMISSIONED BT PHONE BOX.