



**RYDE
TOWN COUNCIL**

Agenda Item 15

Briefing Note To: Meeting of the Full Town Council : 1st July 2019

Proposer: Councillor Phil Jordan

Proposal: That the Town Council takes ownership of the BT Phone Box in Lind Street, Ryde.

Proposal By Way of Notice of Motion

BT have a current scheme of offering up certain BT phone kiosks for adoption by Town and Parish Councils. These boxes are iconic reminders of community street scenes for over 50 years. No longer in use as a method of making telephone calls many T&P Councils have already adopted and created libraries, art galleries and more within these boxes. Chillerton and Cowes are examples. It is proposed that RTC adopt the current BT offer of taking over phone kiosks in Lind Street, Ryde for the sum of £1. The proposal is to instruct officers to undertake the transfer from BT into the ownership of RTC under Leasehold or Freehold agreement.

Budget Implications

Cost of £1 for acquisition from BT. Admin costs for paperwork. Possible Small amounts for maintenance and upkeep. Possible insurance costs.

Legal Powers

Councillor Phil Jordan
Ryde North West