

# Planning Service Parishes Bulletin 27

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### British Telecom phone box closure consultation

You may recall a programme of proposed phone box closures undertaken by BT in 2016.

In June it came to our attention that sometime in the next few months BT intends to begin consulting again on the potential removal of a number of phone boxes and services across the UK, including here. BT will notify your District, Borough, City, or Metropolitan Councils (not the National Park Authority) of the full list of proposed closures in the area. This is because Ofcom have agreed with us that for the purposes of co-ordinating a consultation response at local level, these councils rather than National Park Authorities should be the responsible body.

BT's consultation period will be 90 days, but this will be from when BT notify your local council to when BT requires a response back from your local council.

Please watch out for any communication from your local council and particularly any deadlines your council give you to respond to them.

If you have any further questions on this you should contact your local council/ councillors.

### Transport Design Guide – Supplementary Planning Guidance

At the June Planning Committee the Authority adopted the Transport Design Guide as a supplementary planning document. The document seeks to guide issues such as signage, transport and public realm infrastructure. The document will help to guide planning applications and will also support the Authority in its influencing role with Highway Authorities. Our aim is that statutory bodies have regard to National Park purposes and this document gives good examples of how they can achieve that. The guidance can be viewed at

https://democracy.peakdistrict.gov.uk/ecSDDisplay.aspx?NAME=SD3208&ID=3208&RPID=503327 768

If you have any questions or queries, please contact Tim Nicholson at <u>Tim.Nicholson@peakdistrict.gov.uk</u>

# Communities day 'Pledge-Protect-Connect' 13 July 10am – 4pm Nightingate Centre, Great Hucklow

The programme for the event was circulated recently. If your parish has taken part in the Year of Green Action, or there are environmental groups within your community who would like to have a stall or a display please let us know. Information including and how to book to hear the speakers is available at <a href="https://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/looking-after/living-and-working/your-community/green-action">https://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/looking-after/living-and-working/your-community/green-action</a> or email Adele Metcalfe at <a href="https://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk">https://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/looking-after/living-and-working/your-community/green-action</a> or email Adele Metcalfe at <a href="https://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk">https://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk</a> or email Adele <a href="https://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk">https://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk</a> or email Adele <a href="https://www.peakdistrict.gov">https://www.peakdistrict.gov</a> or email <a href="https://www.peakdistrict.gov">https://www.peakdistrict.gov</a> or email <a

### **Parish Statements**

The Planning Policy team have recently circulated the parish statements. The documents are also available online at <a href="https://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/looking-after/living-and-working/your-community/village-plans">https://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/looking-after/living-and-working/your-community/village-plans</a>. We have asked for feedback from the parishes by 31 July. Thank you to those parishes who have already provided feedback.

The documents are draft, and we would appreciate your comments, corrections, and additions to the reports. A report has been written for over 100 parishes within the National Park. Every effort has been made to be accurate and to obtain the latest data on services within the parish. However, there is no substitute for local knowledge and your input will be very valuable to us. Please send your feedback to <u>policy@peakdistrict.gov.uk</u> A summary of the statements will be reported to the Authority meeting on 4 October, with an update being reported at Parishes Day.

## Hope Valley Hopper

There will be a new way to explore the Peak District's Hope Valley this summer. The new Hope Valley Hopper bus service – a partnership between the National Park Authority and Stagecoach – will see a regular hop-on, hop-off service operating between Castleton, Edale and Bamford. The route will link with rail services from around the region. It will pick up and drop off in Chesterfield at the start and end of each day, with pick-ups from Dronfield and Owler Bar en-route. The 2019 service will operate as a pilot scheme, investigating demand, visitor needs and commercial viability of the scheme for future seasons. Further details will be circulated shortly.

#### Parishes Day 12 October 'Visitor & Events Management'

You will shortly be receiving a booking form for the annual Parishes Day meeting. Can you please return the forms as soon as possible so numbers of attendees can be confirmed. The programme for the event will be circulated shortly. The theme this year is Visitor and Events Management. Parish councillors and clerks are welcome.

If you have any queries about this bulletin please contact the Planning Liaison officer <u>fiona.todd@peakdistrict.gov.uk</u>. or 01629 816328