

Severn Stoke and Croome d’Abitot Parish Council

Dear Resident,

You will be aware that there is a traditional red telephone box in High Green that is no longer operational and has now fallen into a sad state of deterioration.

- Your Parish Council has been offered the option of buying the phone box from BT for a nominal amount (£1), along with the associated future commitment of maintaining it as a grade two listed asset¹. Telephone boxes have been retained in similar circumstances elsewhere and reused in a number of ways eg. mini-libraries, information points, sale of local produce and first aid stations. Others have been lost to their communities and we want to know whether this matters to you.
- Before making a decision on whether to purchase the telephone box we would welcome your views, as a resident, as to whether it would be worthwhile?
- If it was adopted by the parish council, how might it best be used?
- Please complete the simple question slip below and drop it into the reply box that we have placed in the High Green telephone box by **20th September 2022.**
- Your response will help us to ensure a democratic decision.
- If the parish council proceeds with adoption, we will be seeking volunteers and contractors to help. Interested parties should therefore step forward!

Thank you. Parish Chair, Larry Freeman.

¹ List entry number: 1393140. A recent repair to another phone box in Grimley in a similar condition cost around £300 to strip, repaint and repair, with labour conducted by volunteers. Annual budget for spare glass and replacement light bulbs might be in region of £50. BT would continue to pick up the cost of powering the internal light after adoption.

High Green already has a defibrillator at the National Trust offices ideas for use would not include this option. *This leaflet will also be made available via social media for all residents of the parish to consider and offer their ideas.*

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1) Should the Parish Council purchase the High Green phone box for £1? YES / NO

2) If ‘YES’ how might the box be used?.....
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3) If ‘NO’, why not?.....
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4) Your postcode (important - to confirm residency in the parish)

5) Name (optional, but important if we need to further explore your views)
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6) Contact details (optional, if you wish to volunteer, assist or if you wish to be kept informed of progress): **Email/phone**.....

7) Tick box to confirm that the parish council can store your personal information for the duration of the project (i.e. until fully completed restoration) and may contact you in relation to this project only. (As relevant)