

NEEN SAVAGE PARISH COUNCIL

From: Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer

Mr Stephen W. Hinton BSc. MRICS

Nr Cleobury Mortimer

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Dated: 3rd February, 2005

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Dear Mr Pridmore,

Re: BT – Universal Service Obligation Consultation:

I refer to the above and I am the Parish Clerk for Neen Savage Parish Council which is a very small rural parish based in Shropshire.

We have only one telephone box in the Parish and have already written to BT stating our objections to its removal.

My Council perfectly understands that BT may wish to remove uneconomic telephone boxes but, in an area such as ours it is vital that our telephone box remains. We have many elderly residents within our Parish, many of whom do not have mobile phones. In addition, in a very rural area such as ours, mobile phone reception is poor and, indeed, non-existent in many areas of the Parish.

I would add that the nearest alternative telephone box would be several miles away.

I would be most grateful if you could acknowledge receipt of this letter.

Yours sincerely,

S.W. HINTON BSc. MRICS

For and on behalf of Neen Savage Parish Council: