

The Telephone Kiosk at the top of Gumstool Hill

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“That the usefulness of the Telephone Kiosk in the Market Place might be materially increased by lighting was a feeling expressed at last week’s meeting of the Urban Council. Mr Prescott [Chemist] pointed out that strangers in particular had great difficulty in finding the kiosk itself at night, and even when they did find it there was the even greater difficulty of finding in the pages of the telephone directory any number required for the call. It was agreed to approach the Post Office authorities on the matter.”

The telephone kiosk was granted Grade II listing as recently as 1990. The area now has the benefit of street lighting although the chances of finding a telephone directory are even more limited.