



Dear Customer

Branch Closure for Refurbishment
Abbey Meads Post Office
Village Centre, Elstree Way, Abbey Meads, Swindon, SN25 4YX

We are writing to inform you that due to extensive building work at the above location, the branch closed for refurbishment. Please accept my apologies for the late notification on this occasion.

The safety of our customers is of paramount importance to us, therefore, to allow for the building work to take place, it was necessary for the service to have closed, temporarily, on Wednesday 19 June 2024.

It is envisaged that the work will take approximately Five weeks to complete, following which the service will re-open on Monday 22 July 2024 at 09:00.

The branches listed overleaf will be happy to provide customers with Post Office services during this period and this information will be made available locally. Should the dates change, posters will be displayed in branch to let customers know.

If you are a local representative, it would be helpful if you could share this information through your social media channels and with any local groups or organisations that you know within the community, for example on noticeboards, local charities and in GP surgeries, to help our customers and your constituents understand what is happening to the Post Office in the local community. If you would like a supply of posters, please let us know.

We would like to apologise for the inconvenience the temporary closure may cause. We hope that our customers will continue to use the Post Office and full details of alternative Post Office services in the area are shown at the end of this letter.

This notification is being carried out in line with our Principles of Community Engagement which have been agreed with Citizens Advice, Consumer Scotland and the General Consumer Council for Northern Ireland - the independent statutory consumer watchdogs. An extract relating to Notification is available at the end of this letter.

Yours faithfully

Daniel Rooney

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How to contact us:

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FREEPOST Your Comments

Alternative branches

There are times our branches may need to make changes to its opening hours.

The latest available branch information can be found on our website

www.postoffice.co.uk/branch-finder

Penhill Post Office

Unit 1 Braydon Court
Penhill Drive
SN2 5BL

Opening times

Monday - Sunday	06:00 – 22:00
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Services

Similar services will continue to be available, however excluding Vehicle Tax, a comprehensive range of Travel Money and On Demand Travel Insurance.

Access

This branch has a wide door and level access at the entrance.

Getting there

This Post Office service is located approximately 1 mile away from Abbey Meads branch, along varied terrain. Roadside parking with a designated parking bay is available nearby. There are no direct bus services available between Abbey Meads and this Post Office.

Rodbourne Cheney Post Office

366 Cheney Manor Road
Swindon
SN2 2PF

Opening times

Monday - Friday	09:00 – 17:30
Saturday - Sunday	Closed

Services

Similar services will continue to be available, with the addition of Passport Check & Send.

Access

This branch has a wide automatic door and level access at the entrance.

Getting there

This Post Office service is located approximately 1.4 miles away from Abbey Meads branch, along varied terrain. Parking is available outside the branch. There is a frequent bus service available between Abbey Meads branch and this Post Office service. The nearest bus stop is approximately 40 metres away.

Moredon Post Office

5A Purton Road
Moredon
SN2 2LN

Opening times

Monday - Saturday	08:00 – 17:00
Sunday	Closed

Services

Similar services will continue to be available, however excluding Vehicle Tax, comprehensive range of Travel Money except Euros and On Demand Travel Insurance.

Access

This branch has a wide door and a ramp with a handrail at the entrance.

Getting there

This Post Office service is located approximately 1.6 miles away from Abbey Meads branch, along varied terrain. Time restricted parking with a disabled parking bay is available outside the branch. There is a frequent bus service available between Abbey Meads branch and this Post Office service. The nearest bus stop is approximately 190 metres away.

Principles of Community Engagement on changes to the Post Office network (extract)

A full version of this document is available on our Consultation Hub - postofficeviews.co.uk

We are committed to engaging and supporting our customers and their representatives as we make changes to the Post Office network. The following Principles will be adopted when communicating about changes to your local Post Office branch.

We will **Notify** - where we are informing customers of changes around:

- Opening hours
- Unplanned closure¹/ planned service interruption
- Re-opening of a closed branch in the same site
- Opening a new branch unrelated to a previous closure
- Location used by a Mobile Post Office within a community
- Franchising of a Directly Managed branch in its existing site where there are no changes to access to the Post Office serving point

We will display a poster in branch (or nearby if appropriate) to notify customers of the above changes, aiming to provide four weeks' notice. Four weeks' notice may not be possible for an unplanned change, and in these instances, we will provide notice as soon as we are able to. For closures we will include details of the nearest alternative Post Offices and our customer helpline/textphone.

We notify locally elected representatives including but are not restricted to the Member of Parliament, Scottish Parliament, Welsh Parliament, or Northern Ireland Assembly, Local Authority Chief Executive, Ward Councillors, Parish or Community Council, selected charities, local Citizens Advice, Age UK, Northern Ireland's Disability Action and Northern Ireland's Rural Community Network. They are also encouraged to share all information additionally with local groups and organisations who they believe have an active interest in changes to their local Post Office.

These Principles have been agreed with Citizens Advice, Consumer Scotland and the General Consumer Council for Northern Ireland, the independent statutory consumer watchdogs.

What to do if you feel these Principles haven't been followed:

Please get in touch so we can investigate your complaint. We'll explain in our reply whether we believe we have followed our Principles of Community Engagement and will provide you with the contact details for the relevant consumer watchdog (Citizens Advice, Consumer Scotland, or the Consumer Council for Northern Ireland) if you're not satisfied with our response. The watchdog will independently assess whether we have followed the Principles of Community Engagement process (rather than the decision itself) and recommend any actions with respect to the complaint.

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¹Where the closure is unplanned, the service provision in the area will be reviewed based on current usage, modelling and availability of any suitable replacement or alternative service model. A commercial decision will be made if to actively seek to replace the closed service and will not be subject to public consultation.