

Dear Customer

Bridge Post Office[®] 2 Western Avenue, Bridge, Canterbury, CT4 5LS

Branch Temporary Closure

We are writing to inform you that, regrettably, following the resignation of the Postmaster and the withdrawal of the premises for Post Office use the above branch closed temporarily on Friday 29 June 2018. Please accept my apologies for the late notification on this occasion.

We would like to assure you that we are currently investigating the options available which will enable us to reinstate a Post Office service to the local community. In exploring this, it is important that any future service is sustainable for the person operating the service, and for Post Office Limited.

Future provision will reflect customer numbers and usage and we may take the opportunity to establish an alternative type of service. This may be an outreach service where a Postmaster from a nearby branch offers the facility with hours of opening set to reflect the likely number of customers who will use the service.

If you have any questions you would like to raise about this matter, please write to me via the National Consultation Team at the address shown at the end of the letter. Please note that your comments will not be kept confidential unless you expressly ask us do so by clearly marking them "In Confidence".

Any future changes to service provision would be handled in line with our Principles of Community Engagement. You can find more information about these Principles at the end of this letter.

It would be helpful if you could share this information 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.

We will write to you again once I have any news about our plans for future service provision.

Yours faithfully

Emily Dobson

Emily Dobson Area Network Change Manager

How to contact us:

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To get this information in a different format, for example, in larger print, audio or braille call 03452 66 01 15 or Textphone 03457 22 33 55.

The Principles of Community Engagement have been agreed with Citizens Advice, Citizens Advice Scotland and the General Consumer Council for Northern Ireland; the independent statutory consumer watchdogs.

A full copy of these Principles are available on postofficeviews.co.uk

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, Citizens Advice Scotland or the Consumer Council for Northern Ireland) if you're not satisfied with our response.

Alternative branches:

Services

The same range of services will continue to be available with the addition of National Lottery and On Demand Travel Insurance, however excluding Dollars and Car Tax.

Opening times

Canterbury

CT1 3EG

Barton Post Office

117 New Dover Road

opening times	
Monday	09:00 - 13:00
	13:30 - 17:30
Tuesday	09:00 - 13:00
	13:30 - 17:30
Wednesday	09:00 - 13:00
	13:30 - 17:30
Thursday	09:00 - 13:00
	13:30 - 17:30
Friday	09:00 - 13:00
	13:30 - 17:30
Saturday	09:00 - 12:30
Sunday	Closed

Access and facilities

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

Transport/parking

Roadside parking is available outside the branch. There is a frequent bus service available between Bridge branch and this Post Office service. The nearest bus stop is 160 metres away.

Distance

This Post Office service is located approximately 2.8 miles away from Bridge branch, along varied terrain.

St Georges Post Office

15-16 Longport Canterbury CT1 1PE

Services

The same range of services will continue to be available with the addition of Comprehensive range of Travel Money and On Demand Travel Insurance.

Opening times

Monday	06:30 - 21:00
Tuesday	06:30 - 21:00
Wednesday	06:30 - 21:00
Thursday	06:30 - 21:00
Friday	06:30 - 21:00
Saturday	07:00 - 21:00
Sunday	08:00 - 20:00

Access and facilities

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

Transport/parking

Pay & Display parking is available outside the branch. There is Pay & Display parking available at Longport Car Park within 20 metres. There are local buses serving the surrounding area.

Distance

This Post Office service is located approximately 3.3 miles away from Bridge branch, along varied terrain.