

Dear Customer

Local public consultation – Decision

Eastrington Outreach Service Vicar Lane, Eastrington, Goole, DN14 7QF

I'm writing to confirm that following a period of local public consultation and review we have made the decision and relocated Eastrington Outreach Service to Eastrington Village Hall, at Howden Road, Eastrington, Goole, DN14 7PW.

We didn't receive any feedback from customers or local representatives about the move during the local public consultation period.

After careful consideration, we remain confident that the new Eastrington Outreach Service location is suitably located and will continue to meet customer needs and deliver an excellent service, whilst securing the long-term viability of Post Office services in the local community.

The previous Outreach Service ceased on Monday 26 September 2022, and we are pleased to confirm your new Outreach Service opened, at Eastrington Hall on Thursday 6 October 2022.

The Postmaster from Gilberdyke Post Office is providing the Post Office services from within the Eastrington Hall in Eastrington on Thursdays between 09:00 and 12:00.

This information is also available on the Post Office Consultation Hub at: postofficeviews.co.uk

We're carrying out this notification in line with our Principles of Community Engagement. An extract relating to consultation is available at the end of this letter.

Yours faithfully

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Appendix A

Response to Local Public Consultation

Consultation started Tuesday 11 October 2022 Consultation ended Tuesday 22 November 2022

Consultation responses

• 0 responses

Appendix B

Eastrington Outreach Service Summary Sheet

Eastrington Village Hall Howden Road Eastrington Goole DN14 7PW

New opening hours

Thursday 09:00 - 12:00

During the Coronavirus pandemic the branch 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

Products & Services

The same range of products and services are still be available.

Serving positions

The Post Office service is operated from a dedicated area within the Eastrington Village Hall.

Access

The Eastrington Village Hall has a wide automatic door at the entrance and access is via a ramp or step.

Getting there

The new Outreach Service is located approximately 350 metres away from the previous location, along varied terrain.

There is a dedicated car park located outside the Eastrington Village Hall, with designated disabled parking bays.

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

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

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 Officebranch.

We will **<u>Consult</u>** where we are seeking feedback on proposals prior to a decision being made on the:

- Permanent closure of a Post Office branch¹
- Permanent relocation of a Post Office branch (including the franchising of a Directly Managed branch to a new site)

We will carry out a six-week² local public consultation, informing customers, locally elected representatives³,

Consumer Advocacy Bodies and selected charities⁴ of the proposal. This information will also be made available online and for a Directly Managed branch a press release will be issued to local media. We will ask locally elected representatives to share information with other key community outlets (such as notice boards, local charities, magazines, GP surgeries etc.).

The consultation will ask specific questions on areas where we would like feedback on access to Post Office services and will confirm when the change will happen if the decision is made to proceed. We will provide clear information on any changes to services as well as access to and into the new branch.

We welcome all feedback with the following factors being taken into account in making our decision, which we expect to make within four weeks of the close of consultation:

- Customer access to, into and inside the new or alternative branch/branches with particular regard to vulnerable consumers
- Any local community issues which could be affected by or affect the proposal

At the end of the consultation process we will write to locally elected representatives, Consumer Advocacy Bodies and respondents to the consultation (where practical) to confirm our decision and provide a summary of key issues raised with a clear response to each. This information will be made available online and in branch (where possible).

These Principles have been agreed with Citizens Advice, Citizens Advice 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 webelieve 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. 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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¹ There may be a small number of cases where due to circumstances outside our control we have no option other than to permanently close a branch in a particular location. In these cases, the consultation will seek feedback on alternative Post Office service provision in the area.

² If the consultation includes more than four weeks in July in Scotland and Northern Ireland or more than four weeks in August in England and Wales, we will extend the period by one calendar week. We will not start any local public consultation during the two-week period which includes the Christmas and New Year bankholidays.

³ Locally elected representatives include 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.

⁴ Selected charities are local Citizens Advice, Age UK, Northern Ireland's Disability Action and Northern Ireland's Rural Community Network. All parties referred to in 3 and 4 above are encouraged to share all information with local groups and organisations who they believe have an active interest in changes to their local Post Office.