

Dear Customer

Hunters Quay Post Office[®] George Street, Hunters Quay, Dunoon, PA23 8JT

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 Wednesday 20 June 2018. Please accept my apologies for the late notification on this occasion.

Looking after a nationwide network of Post Office services, we have a responsibility to make sure every service makes the best possible use of resources, while ensuring that customers can still access our products and services. I can assure you that we will continue to work to find a solution that will provide a Post Office service to the community.

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

Mandy Necson

Mandy Neeson Area Network Change Manager

How to contact us:

comments@postoffice.co.uk postofficeviews.co.uk FREEPOST Your Comments

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Alternative branches:

Kirn Post Office

2 Marine Parade Kirn Dunoon PA23 8HE

Opening times

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

Dunoon Post Office

Queen Street Dunoon PA23 8AX

Opening times

| Monday | 07:00 - 22:00 |
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| Tuesday | 07:00 - 22:00 |
| Wednesday | 07:00 - 22:00 |
| Thursday | 07:00 - 22:00 |
| Friday | 07:00 - 22:00 |
| Saturday | 07:00 - 22:00 |
| Sunday | 07:00 - 22:00 |
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Services

The same range of services will continue to be available with the addition of Dollar Travel Money.

Access and facilities

This branch has a wide door and a step at the entrance.

Transport/parking

Roadside parking is available nearby. There are local buses serving the surrounding area.

Distance

This Post Office service is located approximately 0.6 miles away from Hunters Quay branch, along varied terrain.

Services

The same range of services will continue to be available with the addition of Car tax, a comprehensive range of Travel Money, Passport Check & Send and On Demand Travel Insurance, however excluding National Lottery.

Access and facilities

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

Transport/parking

There is a car park outside the branch. There is a regular bus service available between Hunters Quay branch and this Post Office service. The nearest bus stop is 120 metres away.

Distance

This Post Office service is located approximately 1.6 miles away from Hunters Quay branch, along varied terrain.

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.

Principles of Community Engagement on changes to the Post Office network

What are the Principles of Community Engagement?

The Principles of Community Engagement are guidelines we follow. They explain how and when we will tell you about changes to your local Post Office services. We've worked with the independent statutory consumer watchdog on these guidelines, which in Great Britain is Citizens Advice and Citizens Advice Scotland, and in Northern Ireland it is the Consumer Council.

What kind of situations does it include?

Information about when we're planning to move or close one of our branches or outreach services. This also covers information about when a branch has suddenly closed unexpectedly because of something like a flood or fire.

Who do we tell?

You and your locally elected representatives (such as MPs, local authorities or councils).

How will we tell you what's happening?

If there's a change – like opening a new branch, a temporary closure or a change in opening times - we'll let you know by putting up posters in the Post Office. If the plan is to move a Post Office or permanently close one then we'll put up posters and hand out letters in the branch as well as writing to your representatives. We'll issue a press release and the relevant information will be easy to find on our website.

How long will it take?

We'll let you know about any changes as soon as we possibly can. Sometimes, change is out of our control, but we'll try to keep you as up-to-date about what's happening as we can. We try to make sure you have four weeks' notice before anything happens and if we are going to re-open a temporarily closed branch in a new location or franchise a directly managed branch, in its existing site, we will ask for your feedback. If we're going to permanently relocate or close a Post Office there will be a 'consultation period' which lasts six weeks. This means that you have time to share your views with us.

It's easy to let us know what you think

We want to hear what you and your representatives think about change. To make sure it's easy for you to let us know, all of our contact details can be found on all our posters and letters. You can contact us via our Consultation Hub or email, letter or phone.

How will you find out about the final plans?

We'll let you know in as many ways as possible. There will be posters in branch or locally, letting customers know what's going on. We'll also write to local representatives and the information will be on our website. If you let us know what you think we'll make sure you know about our final plans either on our Consultation Hub or by writing to you, or in branch.

What can you do if you think we haven't followed the Principles of Community Engagement?

If you don't think we've followed the Principles, please contact us and let us know why.

To have a look at the full Principles of Community Engagement, please see our website at <u>postofficeviews.co.uk</u>