

Dear Customer,

# <u>Local public consultation – Decision</u>

# Ten Acre Street Post Office 3 Dogpool Lane, Selly Park, B30 2XN

We are writing to update you on our previous communication advising that Ten Acre Street Post Office would reopen as of Monday 21 March 2022 while we were working on the issue to relocate the branch to Nisa Local, 734-736 Pershore Road, Selly Park, B29 7NJ, where it will be known as Pershore Road Post Office.

We are now pleased to advise that we have now finalised our plans and the new branch is due to open at Nisa Local, 734-736 Pershore Road on Wednesday 18 May 2022 at 12:00.

Ten Acre Street Post Office unfortunately closed on Friday 06 May 2022. Please accept my apologies for the late notification on this occasion and the loss of service before Pershore Road Post Office is due to open. Customers requiring Post Office facilities may use any Post Office service, however details of two alternative branches are provided below for your convenience:

- Vicarage Road Post Office, 276 Vicarage Road, Kings Heath, B14 7NH
- Selly Oak Post Office, 8 Oak Tree Lane, Birmingham, B29 6HX

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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## **Pershore Road Post Office Information Sheet**

Nisa Local 734-736 Pershore Road Selly Park B29 7NJ

## New opening hours

Mon - Fri	08:00 – 21:00
Sat	08:00 – 22:00
Sun	08:00 – 21:00

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**

A wide range of products and services will still be available.

## Serving positions

There will be a Post Office serving point at the retail counter.

#### Access

The new premises will have a wide door and a ramp at the entrance.

Internally, there will be a hearing loop and space for a wheelchair.

### **Getting there**

The new premises will be located approximately 0.6 miles away from the previous branch, along varied terrain.

Limited parking is available on the forecourt of the new premises and roadside parking is available nearby.

There are local buses serving the surrounding area.

#### Retail

Convenience store.

# Pershore Road Post Office services available

# For information about product availability call 03457 223344. For details of maximum value of transactions, please speak to the operator.

	New branch	
Mail		
First & Second Class mail	✓	
Stamps, stamp books (1st class 6 & 12 only, 2nd class 12 only)	✓	
Special stamps (Christmas issue only) & postage labels	✓	
Signed For	✓	
Special Delivery	✓	
Home shopping returns	<b>✓</b>	
Inland small, medium & large parcels	<b>✓</b>	
Express & contract parcels	Express 24 & 48	
British Forces Mail (BFPO)	✓	
International letters & postcards (inc. Tracked & Signed)	✓	
International parcels up to 2kg & printed papers up to 5kg	✓	
Parcelforce Worldwide International parcels	×	
Articles for the blind (inland & international)	✓	
Royal Mail redirection service	✓	
Local Collect	✓	
Drop & Go	✓	
Vithdrawals, deposits and payments		
Post Office Card Account	✓	
Personal & Business Banking cash withdrawals, deposits & balance		
enquiries using a card. Also enveloped cheque deposits and barcoded	✓	
deposit slips.		
Postal orders	✓	
MoneyGram	✓	
Change giving	<b>✓</b>	
Automated bill payments (card or barcoded)	✓	
Key recharging	✓	
icences		
Rod fishing licences	✓	
ravel		
Pre-order travel money	✓	
On demand travel money	*	
Travel insurance referral	✓	
On demand travel insurance	*	
Mobile Top-ups & E vouchers	✓	
National Lottery Terminal	✓	
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## 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 Officebranch.

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

- Permanent closure of a Post Office branch<sup>1</sup>
- 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-week<sup>2</sup> local public consultation, informing customers, locally elected representatives<sup>3</sup>, Consumer Advocacy Bodies and selected charities<sup>4</sup> 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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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 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.