

Mr Allan Oldfield - Chief Executive Fylde Borough Council The Town Hall St Annes Road West ST ANNES FY8 1LW

24 June 2015

Dear Mr Oldfield

Wrea Green Post Office® Smithy Fold, Wrea Green, Preston, PR4 2NE

Changes to your Post Office® - tell us what you think

We're talking to the Postmaster about the possibility of making some changes to the above Post Office and we'd like you to tell us what you think about the changes before we finalise our plans.

What's happening?

We're investing in our branches across the Post Office network to make them more modern and convenient for you and our Postmasters who run them. As part of this programme of investment and modernisation we are talking to the Postmaster about the possibility of changing your branch to one of our new style local branches. This would mean:

- Post Office services would be offered from a till on the retail counter in a modern open plan branch
- If the change goes ahead the branch would be open for longer:
 Mon Sun 06:00- 21:00. (Current opening times are: Mon Fri 09:00 17:30 & Sat 09:00 12:30)
- Customers will still have most of the Post Office products and services they're used
 to but some services will no longer be available at this branch. These services are
 currently available at the branch listed overleaf, and some products, like travel
 insurance, are available online or by telephone. Please look over the page for details
 of product availability
- The branch may need to close for up to seven days during October/November 2015 while the refurbishment takes place

You can help shape your service in this store

We want to know what's important to you and would like you to tell us what you think about the changes; particularly on the following areas:

- Why do you use this Post Office and what do you like about it?
- Do you have any comments about the changes to the branch? For example, the Post
 Office till would be on the retail counter in your newly modernised branch, therefore
 are there any measures you would like to see in place about the proposed location of
 the Post Office till or the queuing area.
- Do you have any comments about any changes to the opening hours?
- Do you have any comments about how you will access the Post Office products and services that will no longer be available at the branch if the change goes ahead?
- Do you have any comments about the potential closure period during the refurbishment or access to other branches in the area?

You can share your views on the changes to your Post Office through our easy and convenient new online questionnaire via the link below. When entering the site you will be asked to enter the code for this branch: 25242799

postofficeviews.co.uk

You may also give us your comments in the following ways:

□ postofficeviews.co.uk

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 comments@postoffice.co.uk

Customer Helpline: 03457 22 33 44 Textphone: 03457 22 33 55

Please note this is the full address to use and no further address details are required.

Want to tell us what you think right here and now – scan here.

If you don't have a QR code scanner on your phone, you can find one in your app store.



We'll accept responses up to and including 23 July 2015. We won't be replying to you individually but we will write to you again after the above date to let you know how we've considered the feedback. All responses received will be provided to the independent statutory consumer watchdog, which in Great Britain is Citizens Advice and Citizens Advice Scotland, and in Northern Ireland, the Consumer Council.

When would the changes happen?

We are planning to make these changes in October/November 2015. We'll put a poster up in branch at least two weeks before to let customers know the exact date and to tell them how we've considered the feedback. We'll make sure any disruption caused by the refurbishment is kept to a minimum. The following branch will be happy to provide customers with Post Office services during this period.

· Kirkham Post Office, The Village Store, Market Square, Kirkham, Preston, PR4 2SD

We'll also be asking customers for their feedback again once the changes have taken place. A questionnaire will be available in branch for customers to complete shortly after their new look branch opens.

Yours sincerely

Dave Ogleby Area Manager

To get this information in a different format, for example, in larger print, audio or braille please contact the Customer Helpline on 03457 22 33 44 or Textphone 03457 22 33 55.

This communication process has been agreed with the independent statutory consumer watchdog, which in Great Britain is Citizens Advice and Citizens Advice Scotland, and in Northern Ireland, the Consumer Council, and is being carried out in line with our Code of Practice for changes to the Post Office network, which we have agreed with them. If you'd like copies of the Code they are available in branch, or by contacting us or on our website at: www.postoffice.co.uk/transforming-post-office. If you think that the process has not been properly followed and wish to make a complaint, then please write to us or email us via the contact details included in our posters and letters and let us know why. We'll examine your complaint and respond to you as soon as we can. We will provide you with the relevant contact points for the consumer watchdog, so if you are still not satisfied when you have received our response, you can ask them for their assistance.

Wrea Green Post Office® services available

Your Postmaster or our Customer Helpline on 03457 223344 will be happy to help you with any queries about product availability or provide you with details of maximum value of transactions. Customers can also shop online at www.postoffice.co.uk

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First & Second Class mail		T
Stamps, stamp books (1st class 6 & 12 only, 2nd class 12 only)	/	/
Special stamps (Christmas issue only) & postage labels		-
Signed For	/	✓
Special Delivery	V	✓
Home shopping returns	✓	✓
Inland small, medium & large parcels	✓	✓
Express & contract parcels	✓	√
British Forces Mail (BFPO)	√	Express 24 & 4
International letters & postcards (inc. signed for & Airsure)	✓	✓
International parcels up to 2kg & printed papers up to 5kg	✓	✓
Parcelforce Worldwide International parcels	✓	✓
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balance enquiries using a card & enveloped cheque deposits. Also barcoded deposit slips.	✓	./
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Moneygram	✓	✓
Change giving	✓	
ill payments	✓	
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Automated bill payments (card or barcoded)	→	
Key recharging		
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Travel insurance referral	Euros	Euros
On demand travel insurance	×	1
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Mobile Top-ups & E vouchers		
National Lottery Terminal	✓	√
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ducts marked * are available at Kirkham Post Office,	✓	*
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