

Press Release



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POST OFFICE SERVICES TO BE RESTORED TO WELLS CITY CENTRE AT WELLS BUS STATION

- **Opening at Wells Bus Station, Princess Road, Wells, BA5 2DT**
- **Worked with Wells City Council to find suitable premises**
- **Temporary solution until permanent solution ready**

Wells Post Office is to re-open at Wells Bus Station, Princess Road, Wells, BA5 2DT on 13 January at 9am.

We have worked with Wells City Council to find suitable premises at the bus station to allow us to restore Post Office services to the centre of the city.

The opening hours are Monday to Friday: 9am – 4pm; Saturday: 9am – 12 noon.

This is a temporary solution, whilst we finalise plans for a permanent solution. We have an interested retailer who wants to take on Wells Post Office. We are progressing their application.

We have also added an extra Post Office counter at St Thomas Street Post Office, Budgens, Bath Road, Wells, BA5 3LF, to help serve the city.

A Post Office spokesperson said: "We apologise for any inconvenience caused by the temporary closure of Wells Post Office. This has been an exceptional time with the coronavirus pandemic and the knock-on effect on retailers. The branch had been due to move to the Peacocks store before the business went into administration. We were unable to maintain a Post Office at the existing premises as the lease had expired."

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Notes to editors

- With over 11,500 branches, Post Office has the biggest retail network in the UK, with more branches than all the banks and building societies combined.
- Post Office is helping anyone who wants cash to get it whichever way is most convenient. Partnership with over 30 banks, building societies and credit unions means that 99% of UK bank customers can access their accounts at their Post Office.
- Cash withdrawals, deposits and balance enquiries can be made securely and conveniently over the counter at any Post Office; and the biggest investment by any organisation or company in the last decade is being made to safeguard 1,400 free-to-use ATMs across the UK.
- Post Office is simplifying its proposition for Postmasters with a focus on its [cash and banking](#); [mails and parcels](#); [foreign exchange](#); and [bill payments](#) services.
- [Research](#) has found that visits to the Post Office help drive another 400 million visitors to other shops, restaurants and local businesses equating to an estimated £1.1 billion in additional revenue for High Street businesses.
- 99.7% of the population live within three miles of a Post Office; and 4,000 branches are open seven days a week.