

Sidcup Reduced Opening Hours Review.



We have talked with the local community about the reduced opening hours in our Sidcup branch on 29 July 2019.

Who we spoke to

- The local Member of Parliament, Rt Hon James Brokenshire MP
- Local ward Councillors
- Local Chamber of Commerce
- Local Federation of Small Businesses
- Local Citizens Advice Bureau
- Lending Standards Board - the governing body responsible for overseeing the Access to Banking Standards

What was said

- TSB was asked about the impact of these changes on those customers who require additional support and assistance
- TSB was asked about the long term future of the branch and the rationale behind the change in opening hours
- TSB was asked about the level of consultation undertaken around the decision to reduce opening hours at the branch
- TSB was asked what coordination it had undertaken with the Post Office® to ensure that banking customers were able to use the everyday banking services available there

What we've done

- We've written to our customers to let them know about the change in opening hours, why we have come to this decision and the different ways they can bank with us. This information is available in branch as well as online
- Partners in branch have been speaking with customers, particularly personal and small business customers who use the branch regularly and those customers who require additional support with the changes to branch opening hours – answering questions, discussing concerns, giving advice on alternative travel arrangements and how they can get to other branches and alternative ATMs. TSB is also offering customers 'Get Me Started' appointments, which help customers register for and use online, mobile and telephone banking
- We have confirmed that there are no current plans for further changes to our branch network, but that for the branch to be viable in the long-term, we will need to see customers choosing to bank there
- We have outlined how TSB is determined to make significant efforts to keep branches with low footfall open by reducing opening hours as part of a concerted effort to reduce costs so that we can protect our physical presence
- We have explained that the changes in opening hours have been tailored to when branches are busiest and to ensure that customers have consistent access to banking services in the local area

Details correct to the best of our knowledge at time of print June 2019, but please check for your convenience. For more information about our decision to reduce the opening hours at this branch, please visit tsb.co.uk/our-branches

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