

#### **Press & Media Release**

# **Street Parish Council Statement on High Street Post Office**

For Immediate Release: Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2024

# **STARTS**

As many of you may have heard, an article was published recently indicating that WH Smith and the Post Office will close on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2025. This news has understandably caused significant concern for residents.

While there is a second Post Office location at <u>15 West End, Street, BA16 OLQ</u>, there are several points to consider:

- The landlord and WH Smith are in negotiations regarding a new lease. The landlord will keep us updated on the process.
- Although WH Smith has tendered a formal resignation to the Post Office, this can be rescinded if they find another viable commercial option.
- With the formal resignation provided, the Post Office is taking a cautious approach and is actively seeking to ensure continuity of service by advertising the Post Office opportunity now (please see further information below).

Street and Glastonbury Chamber of Commerce are hosting a meeting to discuss the situation at 8:15 am on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August at Peggy's Diner, <u>147 High Street</u>, <u>Street</u>, <u>BA16 OEX</u>. Representatives from the Parish council and Councillor Simon Carswell (Street Parish and Somerset Council Councillor) will attend this meeting.

We will be monitoring the situation closely and have alerted our local MP, Sarah Dyke, who will continue to liaise with the Post Office.

Please see the advert below for more information to any interested parties, with a link to register your interest and the poster advertising the meeting with Street and Glastonbury Chamber of Commerce.

### **ENDS**

### **Notes to Editors:**

Please contact Clerk of Street Parish Council Jenny Service on 01458 440588 &

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# STREET RETAILERS MEETING RE: POST OFFICE CLOSURE

Monday 19 August 2024 8.15 am @ Peggy's Diner, Street

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# Street Post Office

85 High Street, BA16 0DT

## General information

Franchise

We're seeking applicants to set up brand new Post Offices in this area

Closing date: 9th October 2024

(Advert may close early if sufficient interest is registered)

Post Office Ltd is looking for a successful retailer to incorporate a Post Office Main into their existing or proposed business.

### The offer available in this Post Office would be:

Post Office Main branch – a dedicated Post Office area, a full range of services. The exact layout and design will be agreed with you to suit your business.

# **Estimated Post Office fees:**

In the current location in the range of £69,300 - £77,000 per annum. Please note this estimate is inclusive of the products listed under General Information.

Advertised Annual Fees Disclaimer - All fees ranges on this site are based on 12 months' trading history. Past performance is no guarantee of future performance for each branch. As a result of COVID-19 some branches have experienced a significant change in trading patterns and therefore fees will be reviewed during the application process.

