

Crawley County local Committee

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Louise Goldsmith
West Sussex County Council

Dear Louise

Proposed relocation of Crawley Post Office

You may be aware that the Post Office is proposing to make a number of changes to the way Post Offices operate within West Sussex. For information I attach a copy of the press release issued in October along with a list of the branches affected.

The Crawley County Local Committee (CLC) met recently and discussed the proposed relocation of Crawley Post Office from the Boulevard to the County Mall (within W H Smith).

It was agreed I would write to ask you as you have responsibility for the Economy portfolio, to ask you to respond to the consultation before it closes on 12 December 2018 on behalf of the County Council opposing the proposed relocation of Crawley Post Office for the following reasons:

- The new location does not have access to free parking and is less accessible to people with mobility difficulties;
- The proposed new location is inappropriate due to its size. The current post office is very busy at peak times and the new premises would not be able to accommodate the existing level of service;
- The closure of the Post office existing location will have a detrimental impact on local business around the Boulevard due to decreased footfall;

I trust this is something you will be willing to do although do of course get in touch if you wish to discuss the matter further. I would be most grateful if you could let me have a copy of the response to the consultation once sent.

Yours sincerely,

Brenda Smith

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