

PRESS RELEASE REGARDING SOUTH WOODFORD POST OFFICE

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Following the announcement on the 27th of January that South Woodford Crown Post Office is to close in April 2021. The Communication Workers Union is horrified by this decision against the backdrop of these unprecedented times. The Post Office has taken it upon itself to make redundant loyal and hardworking keyworkers during this difficult time of the pandemic. These people have shown great loyalty not only to the Post Office, but more importantly the community at large they serve.

The CWU call upon the Post Office and the landlord to think again, this 500 year service has served the community of South Woodford for many, many years. We ask that our members of Parliament, the council, the community at large object to these proposals in the strongest possible terms and stop the downgrading and erosion of Postal services to community.

Anything other than a Crown Post Office will result in a downgrading of services in South Woodford. Should the Crown Post Office go the community would have to travel some 10 miles to the nearest Crown Post Office is Houndsditch near Liverpool Street.

This is not the first time the Crown Post Office in South Woodford has been under attack. The MP in previous attacks has been vociferous in its defence. The Crown Post Office is an essential part of the local economy. It is also a vital hub to South Woodford, particularly for the elderly, infirm, businesses and all other parts of the community.

Due to the lack of vision of the Post Office the wealth of experience amounting to nearly 200 years will be lost to the Post Office.

It is clear this is an attack on a great British Institution which the Post Office is driving into oblivion.

The Post Office has no vision for the future, just a policy of managed decline.

A petition has been set up on line at:

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