

## REPORT

To: CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE	Subject: TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF HARTHILL POST OFFICE, 70 WEST MAIN STREET, HARTHILL, SHOTTS
From: HEAD OF CENTRAL SERVICES	
Date: 16 October 2009	Ref: MS/RM

**1. Purpose of Report**

To advise Members of correspondence received from Post Office regarding the operation of Harthill Post Office, 70 West Main Street, Harthill, Shotts.

**2. Proposals**

- 2.1. The Post Office have written to the Council advising that this branch of the Post Office had been operated on their behalf by a temporary agent since the contract with the former Sub-Postmaster came to an end. Unfortunately that agent is no longer able to provide a service at these premises.
- 2.2. Responsible for a nationwide network of Post Office services, Post Office have a responsibility to make sure every service makes the best possible use of resources, while ensuring that customers can still access the products and services.
- 2.3. Further correspondence has been received advising that Post Office are proposing to trial a Post Office essentials service, for a period of 12 months, which will operate from S and A Convenience Store, 58 West Main Street, Harthill, Shotts, a distance of approximately 100 yards from its former location.

**3. Recommendation**

It is recommended that Members note the operational arrangements of Harthill Post Office at 58 West Main Street, Harthill, Shotts.

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Members seeking further information on the contents of this report are asked to contact Margaret Shankland on Ext. 2726.