

LETTER TO BRANCHES





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Dear Colleague

Post Office: Further Franchising Partners Announced for 18 Crowns

Further to LTBs 105/25, 107/25 and 147/25.

Post Office has today announced franchise partners for a further 18 Crown Offices (the list is attached to this LTB). As well as previously announced partners, the new list includes Rymans and WH Smith (some WHS stores are now trading under the name TG Jones).

Online meetings were held by management with the members in the 18 Crowns earlier today, and our Territorial Representatives were involved in order to provide support where necessary. There are no exact closure / transfer dates as yet, although all indications are that these will take place around mid-late October into November this year, bearing in mind there is a 90-day consultation period.

Branches are reminded that LTB 147/25 outlines the enhancements to the financial terms for Crown members for those not wanting to TUPE that we have secured via negotiations. If members have any questions regarding either the terms of the financial settlement, TUPE or bumping, they should contact their Territorial Rep in the first instance.

Members who decline to TUPE and opt to take an enhanced severance package (which thus far is the vast majority) will be required to take legal advice in connection with their Settlement Agreement and Post Office will contribute £500 plus VAT towards that advice.

It should be noted that there are 14 remaining Crowns where Post Office has yet to announce the franchise partners. We would anticipate that the members in these Crowns will be updated by Post Office during August.

Further developments will be reported.

Yours sincerely,

Andy Furey Assistant Secretary Crown (DMB) Franchise Partner

Broadway Rymans Kensington Rymans East Dulwich Zco Lupus Street Zco Zco The City of London Vauxhall Bridge Road Zco Worlds End Zco Stamford Zco Stroud RF Retail **Dunraven Place** RF Retail **Belfast City** RF Retail Londonderry RF Retail

Westbourne South Coast Retail
The Markets First Class Retail

Birmingham WHS
High Street (Croydon) WHS
St Johns WHS
Stockport WHS