

Berkeley Agency change of opening hours Feedback update Published March 2025



In December 2024, we wrote to members to let them know that our agency based at Six Market Place in Berkeley would close on Saturdays from Saturday 15 March 2025.

We published an Impact Assessment to give people more information about why we're making these changes and what alternatives are available. You can still read this on our website and copies are available in the agency.

We also said that two weeks before our Berkeley Agency opening hours change, we'd publish an update with any feedback we've received and how we are going to answer any issues or concerns raised.



How we communicated this closure to members

- We wrote to our members, who use Berkeley Agency, 12 weeks before the change of opening hours. This was to let them know about the change in opening hours, why the change was happening and how to get in touch.
- We've displayed posters in Berkeley Agency, with information about the nearest services that will be available when the agency's opening hours change.
- We've published a message on our website informing members of the change in opening hours.
- We published an Impact Assessment on our website and copies were also made available in Berkeley Agency. It included information about alternative local branches and agencies, including the closest free to use ATMs and the Berkeley Post Office.
- The team at Berkeley Agency have been actively discussing the changes with members.

Engaging with the local community

- Agency colleagues have taken the time to listen to our members' concerns and they've been receptive to hearing about other ways they can do their banking once the agency has changed its opening hours including online and telephone banking and our app. They've also provided information around other services which may be available locally and highlighted that the agency opening hours during weekdays will remain unchanged.
- Agency colleagues have been identifying any vulnerable customers and those who may have additional needs, and have welcomed the opportunity to discuss the agency hours change as a follow-up to the letter they received. During these discussions the agency owner has taken the time to understand our customers' specific circumstances, which has allowed us to provide our customers with information relevant to their needs.

Customer feedback

- Customers have shown concern about our agency colleagues and expressed their gratitude for the service continuing in the agency.
- General customer sentiment is understanding the agency is maintaining its future sustainability.
- With customers commenting that they're just glad we're still here and that they will adapt their visits and come in during the new opening hours.
- Following conversations with agency colleagues, our members have also been able to confirm how they will adapt to the Saturday closure.



Additional action completed

- The agency has spoken with the local Post Office to ensure they're aware of the agency change of opening hours.
- The agency has supported customers to enable them to get online and educating them to our telephone, online and app banking services.
- The agency has taken the opportunity to speak to customers to give guidance and support on the different ways customers can do their banking during the week, including the services available at local branches, agencies and the Post Office.

Other ways of using your account

If you're aged 16 or over, then you can use your account in other ways money.

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Who can you speak to?

If you think you might be affected by this, please talk to the team at Berkeley Agency by popping in or call them on **01453 810383**. Alternatively, see the options below to get in touch.

Contact us



For details of our opening hours visit **thecoventry.co.uk**

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