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Dear Iain,

In response to your Written question reference WQ98672, where you asked:

What measures will the Welsh Government introduce to prevent any further bank or post office closures in Wales, particularly in rural communities and town centres, and ensure residents and businesses continue to have access to essential face-to-face banking and postal services?

Responsibility for banking and postal services, including closures, remains reserved to the UK Government. However, this Welsh Government is taking action to support access to face-to-face services as part of its wider programme to revive town centres, including working to restore and retain in-person banking on high streets, exploring options to deliver a new community bank, and making it easier to bring empty buildings back into active use.

Alongside this, a Town Centre Taskforce will provide a more coordinated approach to sustaining local services, bringing together action across areas such as business rates, planning and town centre regeneration.

In relation to post offices, the UK Government has set out its objective to maintain the size of the network, meaning that where local branches close, Post Office Limited will seek to recruit another local business to host services and ensure continued access for communities.

Yours sincerely,

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