



This branch is closing but your bank is always open

Our Becontree branch is closing on 13 November 2015

Find out how this may affect you.

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Now more than ever, the way people choose to bank is changing as the digital revolution continues. As a business, we need to adapt our services to keep up with the changing needs of our customers. In this booklet we've set out why we've made the decision to close this branch and how and where you can find the banking services and expertise you need. We'll go into this in more detail later on, but here are the main reasons why this branch is closing:

- The number of customers using the counter has gone down and is low in comparison to similar branches
- 78% of our branch customers also use other ways to do their banking, such as online and by telephone
- In the past 12 months, 43% of this branch's customers have been using neighbouring branches
- Only 156 customers regularly used this branch in the past 12 months, without interacting with us in any other way.

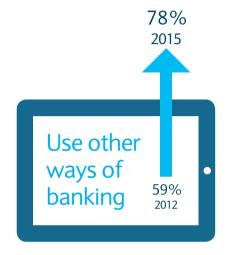
I realise that you may have questions and concerns about these changes, so please feel free to get in touch using the details below.

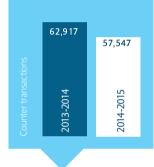
Yours.

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What's changed in your branch?

Many customers are choosing to bank differently







of customers of this branch who have used neighbouring branches in the last 12 months





In all, only 156 regular customers used this branch without interacting with us in any other way

How this branch is used

Before we make the difficult decision to close any branch, we think carefully about how it has been used so far. We consider how many customers have been visiting, what kind of transactions they've been making, and all the other ways they've been choosing to bank with us.

Customers						
Usage in last year	Regular (3+ times)	Heavy (12+ times)	% heavy users who also use neighbouring branches			
Personal	4,760	1,087	45%			
Business & Corporate	455	130	60%			
Weekly transactions						
Personal						

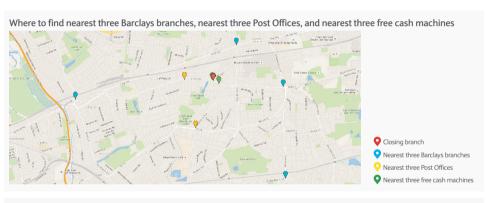
Personal				
	Counter transactions	Cash withdrawals	Cash deposits	Cheque deposits
May 2013-Apr 2014	1,009	291	584	134
May 2014-Apr 2015	904	239	554	111
Change 2013 v 2014	-12%	-22%	-5%	-21%

Business & Corporate				
	Counter transactions	Cash withdrawals	Cash deposits	Cheque deposits
May 2013-Apr 2014	202	10	147	45
May 2014-Apr 2015	204	9	155	40
Change 2013 v 2014	1%	-10%	5%	-13%

Opening hours of Becontree					
Monday	09:30-16:30				
Tuesday	09:30-16:30				
Wednesday	09:30-16:30				
Thursday	09:30-16:30				
Friday	09:30-16:30				
Saturday	closed				
Sunday	closed				
Facilities availa Counter services	a ble Yes				
Cash machines	Yes				
Self service machines	Yes				

Other places you can bank locally

There are many other ways you can still bank in your local community, including nearby Barclays branches, cash machines and Post Offices, which offer a number of banking services.



Local Barclays branches							
Name	CHADWELL HEATH		BEACONTE	BEACONTREE HEATH		DAGENHAM HEATHWAY	
Post Code	RM6	4AR	RM8	RM81AB		RM95AN	
Distance (miles)	0.	8	1	.2	2.2		
Opening hours	Monday	09:30-1 6:30	Monday	09:30-1 6:30	Monday	09:30-1 6:30	
	Tuesday	09:30-1 6:30	Tuesday	09:30-1 6:30	Tuesday	09:30-1 6:30	
	Wednesday	09:30-1 6:30	Wednesday	09:30-1 6:30	Wednesday	09:30-1 6:30	
	Thursday	09:30-1 6:30	Thursday	09:30-1 6:30	Thursday	09:30-1 6:30	
	Friday	09:30-1 6:30	Friday	09:30-1 6:30	Friday	09:30-1 6:30	
	Saturday	closed	Saturday	closed	Saturday	09:00-1 4:00	
	Sunday	closed	Sunday	closed	Sunday	closed	
Any recent or upcoming changes to branch trading hours?	None		None		None		
Branch Facilities – Counters	Yes		Yes		Yes		
Branch Facilities – Self service	Yes		Y	es	Yes		

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Location	Address	Distance (miles)	Charge amount
Tesco	17 Rowallen Parade, Green Lane, Goodmayes, RM81XU	0.1	FREE
San tan der	788 Green Lane, Dagenham, RM81LA	0.1	FREE
Post Office	20 Rowallen Parade, Green Lane, Dagenham, RM8 1XU	0.1	FREE

Nearest cash machines to this branch that charge a fee

Location	Address	Distance (miles)	Charge amount
Mayfield Self Serve	660A Green Lane, Goodmayes, Ilford, IG3 9RY	0.3	£1.85
Skinner Stores	286 Becontree Avenue, Dagenham, RM8 2TR	0.5	£1.50
Valence Mart Ltd	78-80 V alence Avenue, Dagenham, RM 81 TL	0.5	£1.75

Nearest Post Offices to this branch

Post Office Name	Distance (Miles)	Address	Opening hours	Banking facilities
Burnside Market	0.1	20 Rowallen Parade, Green Lane, Dagenham, RM8 1XU	08:30 - 17:30 Mon-Tue 09:00 - 17:30 Wed-Fri 09:00 - 12:30 Sat Closed Sun	Yes
Goodmay es Green Lane	0.5	612 Green Lane, Goodmayes, Ilford, IG3 95Q	08:30 - 18:00 Mon-Sat Closed Sun	Yes
Becontree Avenue	0.9	2 Becontree Avenue, Dagenham, RM8 2UB	07:00 - 22:00 Mon-Thu 07:00 - 22:30 Fri-Sat 07:00 - 21:00 Sun	Yes

Community feedback

We understand that the decision to close a branch affects different communities in different ways, so we spoke to people in your community to hear their opinion. We wanted to find out how your community, and particular groups within it, would be affected if this branch were to close, and what we could do to help people through the transition.

We contacted the following groups:

MP

Margaret Hodge

Local Councillors

Cllr Evelyn Carpenter Cllr Frank Choudhury Cllr James Ogungbose

Customers

A number of customers who regularly use the branch

We asked all of the groups to answer three questions. You'll find their responses below.

In your opinion, what's the biggest effect that this branch closing will have on your local community?

You said to us:

There were no specific concerns about the closure as there is another Barclays branch a few hundred yards away.

We'd like to say:

We are pleased that customers can use an alternative branch that is close by.

What's the biggest effect that this branch closing will have on customers of the branch?

You said to us:

Small business customers who only use the Becontree branch will have to travel slightly further to our other branches for their everyday banking.

We'd like to say:

Many of our customers are already using our Becontree Heath branch. We've spoken directly with customers most likely to be affected by the closure to help them with alternative ways of banking, including telephone banking to speak to someone in person.

For those customers who don't want to travel, we have made sure they're familiar with the Post Office arrangement. The Post Office is open until 5.30pm during the week, and until 4.30pm on Saturdays - which may be more convenient.

We've also been offering support from our Digital Eagles to help customers adapt to new ways of banking that mean they don't have to come into branch so often.

What alternative ways to bank do you believe would help people adapt to the change?

You said to us:

Some customers may need help if they are to adopt new banking methods.

We'd like to say:

We've encouraged customers to use other ways to do their everyday banking, including Mobile and Online Banking – and Telephone Banking if they would prefer to speak to someone. We have run 'Tea and Teach' events in the branch to show customers other ways to bank, as well as how to set up a regular payments and order cards and PINs. Support is always available through our telephony and website services. We are making sure all our customers are aware of what they can do at the Post Office too.

Other things to help with the change...

At the Post Office, both business and personal customers can pay in cheques. You'll need:

- 1. a pre-printed paying-in slip. You'll find these in your cheque book, or you can order them at a branch
- 2. a paying-in envelope. We have extra stock in the Becontree branch, so please call in before the closure to pick some up. Otherwise, just call **0800 169 3091** for these, and we'll pop some in the post.

Personal customers can pay in cash using just a pre-printed paying-in slip, and withdraw cash using a debit card and PIN. If you're a business customer, please check with the Post Office whether you can deposit and withdraw cash.

There are more ways to bank locally

We want to be there for you wherever and whenever you need us so we offer many other ways for you to do your banking.

If you usually:

Visit an in-branch counter to deposit your cheques

If you usually:

Make a trip to a branch to check your balance, pay bills, transfer money and order chequebooks

If you usually:

Make a trip to a branch to withdraw cash at the counter



Why not try:

Using the Post Office – you can pay in cash and cheques whilst you post your parcels or buy your stamps



Why not try:

Using Telephone Banking

– you can do your everyday
banking without leaving
the house.

To register, simply call **0345 734 5345***



Why not try:

Withdrawing cash at a Link cash machine or ask for cashback at the supermarket

Your bank is always open

We want to make staying in control of your everyday banking as easy and convenient as possible. Over the years, we've introduced many ways you can bank without having to come into a branch.

Telephone Banking

Available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. You can hear your balance, check transactions, pay bills and transfer money. You can speak to an adviser about your banking needs too. To register, just call **0345 734 5345***.

Online Banking

Do all your everyday banking tasks from your home computer. We use the most advanced security systems to keep your details safe and our Online and Mobile Banking Guarantee protects you from fraud. To register, just call 0345 734 5345".

Barclays Mobile Banking

Transfer money between accounts and keep a check on your balances. If you need to, you can call us directly from the app too. The Barclays Mobile Banking app is free to download from your app store.

Barclays Pingit

Sending money is secure and instant with no need to share bank account details. You're automatically protected in the event of fraud as long as you've used the services correctly. The Barclays Pingit app is free to download from your app store.

The Post Office

Personal customers can withdraw money using a debit card and all customers can pay in cash or cheques at thousands of Post Office branches across the country.

To pay in cash and cheques you need a pre-printed paying in slip, like those in your cheque book – for cheques you will also need a cheque deposit envelope.

Barclavs at Asda

Our branches at some Asda stores allow you to visit a branch late at night or at the weekend. To find locations of our branches at Asda, go to barclays.co.uk/waystobank

Did you know you can also get cash back at any local supermarket? Just ask at the check-out.

Link cash machines

Withdraw cash free of charge at any cash machine displaying the Link sign. You can check your balance, top-up your mobile phone, print off a mini statement and request a receipt too.



If you would like more information or help with any of the different ways you can bank with us, please speak to someone in the branch or visit **barclays.co.uk/waystobank**

Find out more today barclays.co.uk/waystobank

To get this in Braille, large print or audio, call **0800 400 100** (via Text Relay) or visit **barclays.co.uk/accessibleservices**

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