

News from the Scottish Labour Party in the Highlands and Islands

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Post Office Closures

Following the consultation period the Post Office has confirmed the closure of the following branches in Mr Peacock's Highlands and Islands constituency.

Fernlea, Borve, Isle of Lewis

Bragar, Isle of Lewis

Breascleite, Isle of Lewis

Gress, Isle of Lewis

Grimshader, Isle of Lewis

Knock, Isle of Lewis

Kingfisher, Leurbost, Stornoway

Northton, Isle of Harris

Shader, Barvas, Isle of Lewis

Sidinish, Locheport, Isle of North Uist

Ness, South Dell, Isle of Lewis

Tigharry, Lochmaddy.

Peter Peacock, Regional Labour MSP for the Highlands and Islands commented,

"These closures in the Western Isles are very disappointing although the reprieve of Skigersta, Port of Ness is very welcome.

"I appreciate the concerns of communities affected by post office closures, particularly where they impact on the elderly.

"I would now call for other methods of delivering mail services through outreach services to be explored given the success of such projects elsewhere in the Highlands and Islands."

Ends

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