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LONDON ASSEMBLY LABOUR



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CLlr Richard Cornelius
Leader of Barnet Council
By Email

Dear Richard,

Date: 12 April 2019

Re: Glengall Road Post Office, Edgware

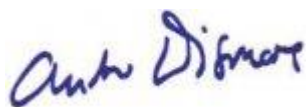
I have been in contact with the Post Office regarding the temporary loss of the Post Office at 15 Glengall Road, due to the closing of the Martins retail shop in which the franchise was based.

The Post Office have been seeking to recruit a new postmaster and have had a serious expression of interest from a local retailer who wishes to move their current retail business into the premises currently containing the former Post Office. However Barnet Council are the owners of the building and the retailer approached the Council's property department earlier this year to inquire about starting negotiations to secure a lease on the retail unit. At that stage the Council stated that it wished to wait until after the premises became vacant before entering into any lease negotiations.

In order to become a postmaster, have a business plan approved by Post Office Ltd and also pass an interview, they require an applicant to own or have a contract for a lease for the retail unit from which they propose the Post Office to operate. Post Office Ltd. wrote to the three ward councillors on 11 March to ask them to intercede to encourage the Council to begin lease negotiations with the prospective new postmaster as soon as possible.

I would be grateful if you could also ask officers to process speedily a negotiation and agreement with the retailer in question, so that post office services in this part of Edgware can be resumed as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,



Andrew Dismore AM
Labour London Assembly Member for Barnet and Camden