



Update: 28th April 2016

Since the public meeting held of 22nd March we have had a couple of committee meetings and have also had meetings with the postmistress, Patsie Ford, who is happy with what we are doing.

We also had a meeting yesterday with the Post Office Authorities [POA] representative and we will continue our discussions with them regarding any future possibilities for NPO, including the practical and financial implications.

We have been analysing the accounts for prior years and will prepare projections for any possible future scenarios that are identified.

We did receive a letter from the POA recently indicating that someone was interested in taking on NPO and that POA would be reviewing their suitability, but it transpired it was just someone looking for a job !

No other businesses in the village appear to be interested in taking it on.

We are currently not proposing to undertake any fund raising but want to increase awareness of the various over the counter services the NPO offers in the hope that people will use these services more, as all transactions generate income.

We have produced a flyer as attached which is being put on notice boards etc. and will feature in the next Community Times. The list of services available at the NPO almost certainly includes things that most people were unaware of. Things like paying in your bank cheques, getting foreign currency, paying some bills etc. etc, so please have a look through it.. Not only will this save everyone a trip in to Colchester etc, but will generate additional income for the NPO !

We'll let you know of any developments as we (hopefully) move forward.

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Save Our Post Office Committee