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Dear Sir

Bigrigg Sub Post Office

The Bigrigg Village Hall Management Committee was devastated at the proposal to shut Bigrigg Sub Post Office. The alterative branch in the consultation document is for the people to use Egremont, the other alternative is Mirehouse like Moor Row this a ludicrous suggestion or people would have to travel to Whitehaven they get another bus out to the Mirehouse estate then return to Whitehaven to get a bus back to Bigrigg—all time consuming and expensive.

What concerns this committee is there is not provision for any outreach service if this sub post office has to go their contribution to village life is tremendous, and the service they provide is second to none removing this sub post office will have a detrimental effect for young and old alike.

Members of this committee feel the people of Bigrigg are being let down by the Government when they are promoting sustainable communities and this closure is decimating what they and other tiers of local government are striving to achieve.

Could Bigrigg not be left open as it has the size and viability to provide post office services to the nearby hamlet of Moor Row which is also losing their post office and it would keep these two villages alive.

Please give this your careful consideration.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Adair Chairperson of Bigrigg Hall Management Committee