

Impact of Bank Closures

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The closure of the banks in DALBEATTIE has caused real problems.

Our shops, hotels, pubs are having problems with cash flow, (money in to their account and money out).

The retired have nowhere to open an account for their pension to be paid into.

And any problem with their bank account they would have to drive 6 mile or 16 to speak face to face with someone. When the bank closed for refurbishment at 6 miles, you had to drive 20 miles to the next bank.

Of course the same is true for employed, unemployed, parents, carers. Anyone trying to get to their bank by public transport from Dalbeattie and surrounding area is almost a day away trip.

Horsebox banks.

We have went back 40 to 50 years. Under an hour or around an hour weighting in the Scottish weather.

Horsebox bank turns up, queue weighting, only 2 people at any time. Money in a drawer no security, no privacy. Still have 2 members of staff on the Horsebox bank, so no saving wages, yet reduced client satisfaction. No thought of bank building share, would be safer for staff and account holders.

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