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Threat to Travel centre

South West Trains confirm consultation over future



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Prospective Conservative MP for Winchester, **Steve Brine**, has said any plans to close the travel information centre at Winchester railway station would represent a 'great loss'.

South West Trains have confirmed that they are in consultation as to whether the office on Station Hill will close under plans to overhaul the site.

Steve Brine said; "The travel centre is a much valued service by locals and visitors alike. Winchester needs a dedicated travel and tourist office at the very point many people enter our city. The closure would be a great loss."

"There is no way the main ticket office inside the station - even if so-called 'slow' lanes and more automated ticket machines are added - can cope with detailed enquiries, especially when there is a queue forming and people have trains to catch."

"This comes hot on the heels of plans to downgrade Winchester's main Post Office by moving it into WH Smith, people are entitled to ask - whatever next!"

SWT say they have yet to make a final decision but Steve adds; "They must recognise upfront that we will not accept any reduction in service at Winchester's railway station."

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