

BARCLAYS BANKING SERVICE

Barclays is trialling a new service, as part of the bank's commitment for access to banking services in the local community, at Blenheim's former Estate Office.

The service was launched on 8th June and is open on Fridays between 10am-4pm. A Barclays colleague will be on hand to provide personalised help to customers and non-customers with mobile and digital banking, savings, borrowing, mortgages, business and premier banking.

Appointments need to be booked in advance and the service does not offer facilities for cash or cheque transactions. Customers requiring a full banking service can continue to use Barclays branches in Kidlington, Witney, Botley and Oxford City, as well as accessing everyday banking transactions at the Post Office including Woodstock, Yarnton and Tackley.

To make an appointment please contact Barclays and Jacqueline Parsons on 07775543328.

Steven Sargent, Barclays Acting Community Banking Director, Thames Valley, said: "The service will operate on a trial basis for the next three months and we hope that customers and non-customers alike will take full advantage of this to discuss their banking requirements with us. We know that there are a lot of new homes being built in and around the area, for example, and we have a mortgage specialist on hand to be able to support potential buyers right on the doorstep."

Roger File, Property Director and COO at Blenheim Palace, welcomes the initiative, and added: "After moving into our new Estate Offices earlier this year we have undertaken a major refurbishment of the old Woodstock Lodge offices to transform them into managed office space for local enterprises. As part of our ongoing commitment to support Woodstock and the local communities we are really pleased to offer Barclays the opportunity to host its new service here."