

Friends of Rippingale Post Office

Nick Boles confirms he'll march with anti-closure protesters

Nick Boles, new Conservative PPC for Grantham and Stamford, has confirmed he'll join a march by Rippingale (Lincolnshire) villagers protesting against the planned closure of their Post Office.

Mr. Boles has called the closure "vandalism," and, when he visited Rippingale on Saturday, said it would "tear the heart out of the village."

The march leaves Rippingale at 10.30 am on Wednesday (October 17), heading more than three miles down the busy and potentially dangerous A15 to Morton, the nearest alternative PO if Rippingale were to close.

More than a hundred people, including Mr. Boles, are expected to join the walk.

Phil Rippingale for the Friends of Rippingale Post Office said "this is terrific news – this level of support is hugely encouraging in our fight to persuade PO Ltd that they've made a serious mistake.

The high proportion of elderly, disabled and those without personal transport will have little option but to walk to Morton PO – it's narrow, busy with cars, heavy goods vehicles and farm traffic and has no pavements – it's dangerous and our once-a-week bus service doesn't begin to meet the potential demand. Wednesday's walk will draw attention to just how daft the PO Ltd closure plan is"

The march will also be joined by more than half the members of Rippingale and District WI .

Details of how to reach Rippingale, where to park etc are on our previous Press Release, sent out yesterday.

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