

# **Consultation on changes to ticket offices**

We are consulting on proposals to move ticket office staff into other areas of the station where they can help more customers, as transactions from ticket offices drop below 15%.

The consultations are happening as part of an industry-wide set of proposals that would mean ticket office staff would instead work on station platforms and concourses where they can be closer to customers. Subject to consultation, ticket offices could be phased out over a number of years.

Digital tickets have made it easier for customers to buy and manage tickets online or use products like smartcards or pay-as-you-go. As fewer people than ever are using ticket offices, we must respond to what our customers are doing and review how we look after customers at our stations.

No station is closing, and station operating times remain unaffected by these proposals. Train services would be unaffected by the changes.

Our Passenger Assist programme – which helps disabled and mobility-impaired customers navigate stations and board trains – will not be affected by the changes. The proposals are designed to increase the number of staff trained and available to help customers at stations across the network, including those with additional accessibility needs.

Before we make any decisions, we are consulting with our staff and their trades unions, and with the public about each individual station. The public consultation is being run by industry watchdogs Transport Focus and London TravelWatch. You can find out how to take part in the public consultation at www.gwr.com/haveyoursay or see the details below.

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Overleaf is a summary of how these changes could affect this station.

## Mortimer

Current Ticket Office times		Proposed Staffing Times					
Sunday:	::	Sunday:	:				
Mon-Fri:	06:30 - 13:00	Mon-Fri:	06:30 - 13:00				
Saturday:	07:30 - 14:00	Saturday:	07:30 - 14:00				
Customer access to station facilities such as waiting rooms and toilets is unaffected by these changes All tickets sold and collected - Financial Year 2022/23							
Ticket sold at	Ticket Office:	6,758	17.2%				
Bookings coll	ected at Ticket Office:	539	-				
Ticket sold a	t the TVM(s):	9,083	23.1%				
Bookings col	lected at the TVM(s):	3,076	-				
Journeys from	m this station booked online:	23,410	59.6%				
Cash paymen	its received:	445	6.6% of total transactions				
Warrant / vou	icher payments:	16					

#### Less common tickets sold - Financial Year 2022/23

Product	Issues	Alternative	Alternative customer options		
Season Tickets	238	Online	Telesales	-	
Rovers/Rangers	0	Online	On-Train	Telesales	
Excess Fares*	2	Online	On-Train	-	
Car Parking	662	App	-	-	
Disabled discounts (D34/D50)	0	On-Train	-	-	
Railcards sold	47	GWR App	Online	-	
Refunds processed:	27	Call Centre	-	-	

#### Retailing facilities at this station

Current ticket office windows:	1	
Number of TVMs:	1	
TVM payments accepted:	Card only	

#### Proposed changes - Oct 2023-Jun 2024

Colleagues move closer to customers in other locations at the station to support and assist with ticket purchases. Ticket Office windows close. **Proposed changes - Jun-Sep 2024** 

Proposed changes - Sep-Dec 2024

### Notes:

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 $\ensuremath{^{\ast}}\xspace$  Date changes to Advance Purchase tickets will not be possible after windows are closed