

MAYOR OF LONDON

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Dear Tom,

Thank you for sharing the petition regarding the Coldharbour Police Base. I am sorry for the delay in responding.


The Coldharbour/William Barefoot Drive Neighbourhood Base in Eltham is not a police station and does not have a front counter. It has been used by local officers for changeover shift purposes and is not open to the public. A decision was made to close the site in June 2023 due to a cost-effective alternative site being found, with the site continuing to be used.

Working closely with the Royal Borough of Greenwich, the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC) and the Met Police are in the process of acquiring this new location at Kidbrooke Village. Local teams currently based at William Barefoot Drive, Warspite Road, and Marlowe House are proposed for relocation to the new site in due course.

The new site is a brand-new facility – its fit-out costs funded by the council and S106 funds (£750,000) – located in the heart of the Kidbrooke Village community. It has increased capacity for local officers, and there is nil rent payable at this site for the next 25 years (with an estimated value of £1 million).

The Met Police is continuing to review the status of its buildings as part of its Estates Strategy, and MOPAC is supporting this vital work to ensure the best possible service for Londoners across the capital.

Yours sincerely,



Sir Sadiq Khan

Mayor of London