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More high street names announce move into new Bradley Stoke town centre

Five more high street names have announced they are to move into South Gloucestershire's new town centre in Bradley Stoke.

The businesses, including a mobile phone retailer, shoe shop, gym, learning centre and café add to a range of other services designed to offer a wider choice and more shopping options for South Gloucestershire residents.

Three of the companies will be opening their doors when the new centre opens on Monday 13 October while a further two will open in January.

The three companies which will begin trading in the new Willow Brook Centre this month are O2 mobile phone store, Subway and Shoe Zone.

The stores will occupy units in a covered shopping centre opposite the flagship Tesco Extra. The centre will also include a bakery, coffee shop, restaurant, hairdressers and building society.

In January, a further two units will open, occupied by Explore Learning which provides Maths and English tuition to 5 to 14 year-olds, and ladies-only gym chain Curves.

Scott Lahive, the Willow Brook Centre manager said: “We want to make Willow Brook a true town centre, with a wide range of goods and services. The latest tranche of businesses which have committed to come here shows we are achieving that goal. Above all, the quality and diversity of these shops is great news for local people.”

The Willow Brook Centre will be anchored by a Tesco Extra store, open 24 hours a day with groceries on the ground floor, allowing convenient and good value food shopping .

A mezzanine level in the Tesco Extra will sell a range of non-food items such as electrical goods, clothes and household products.

The Willow Brook centre will also include a new town square with cafes, restaurants and leisure facilities. The development includes office units on the second floor of surrounding buildings.

The new town centre is being built on land next to the existing Tesco store. When the new Tesco Extra opens on 13 October, the existing store will be demolished and a further six, larger stores will be built.

The town centre has been designed to retain trade within Bradley Stoke and will create a large number of new jobs both in the Tesco Extra store and the new shops.

As part of the development, there have been improvements to local bus and walking routes and the physical design of the site is designed to provide a focus for the local community.

More information on the centre is available from www.willowbrookcentre.co.uk.

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