

My name is Ann McVie and I'm a resident here in the High Kingsdown flats. I hadn't realised quite what a success it would be. I mean I thought there might be times when I would need to park perhaps on the next street, which is still within the scheme. But since the scheme started in January, during the working day I have always been able to park outside my own flat. Well the garages were frequently obstructed because people, finding themselves unable to find a proper parking space, they would park along the front of the flats thus obstructing the access for the garages. The Civil Enforcement Officers come up here to check that the people are parked correctly in the marked spaces. And so knowing that people are policing this area the double yellow lines are now respected. And it's made a tremendous difference to the emergency access, which used to be very very restricted. I mean we couldn't have got fire engines round there. The Fire Service were quite concerned about it.

My name is John Witman and I'm a long term local resident. The demand on the area as far as parking is concerned has been very largely to do with commuters. People coming into Bristol for work. An ideal area to park and then go in to the middle of Bristol to their jobs. A significant difference it's made to us. Not just in terms of being able to park our car and all the obvious reasons for that, but just the atmosphere in this area has defiantly changed. Beyond it just being quieter and so-forth, people who actually live in this area, we actually say hello to each other once in a while. All I mean is in the old days there was an atmosphere of anxiety and a lot of short temper and irritation. People constantly, constantly, constantly, looking for somewhere to park. And nine times out of ten you wouldn't know if it was someone who lived in this area or somebody who came from another town. And all of that has changed.

My name is Steven Sheppard. I run a small hairdressing saloon on St Michaels Hill, Cotham. I thought that none of my clients would be able to park. Most of my clients come by car. I thought it would be a disaster, a complete and utter disaster for me and I was actually looking at other premises to move.

(Interviewer) And since the scheme has gone in, what's been your experience?

It's just been fantastic. Made such a difference to all the clients everybody can park. It's just pleased everybody. Amazing response from clients.