

**Kelham Island and Neespend parking scheme
Further frequently asked questions**

Q: Could you look at adding parking to the area, rather than removing any, removing parking could ruin businesses which are providing valuable and ongoing services

A: In order to make it easier for larger vehicles, public transport and cyclists to get round the area there will be fewer parking spaces on the whole, but the aim is to increase turnover of parked vehicles and therefore provide a greater level of availability of parking spaces for those living and working in the area.

Q: As parking problems are caused by commuters parking and walking into the city centre, can parking for Kelham/Neepsend businesses be prioritised?

A: Commuter parking is likely to reduce due to the introduction of parking restrictions including a charge to park. Eligible residents and business will be able to purchase parking permits to enable all day parking within designated parking bays although the number of permits per business will be restricted. In addition, visitors to businesses can make use of 20-minute free parking in all parking bays in the area, with availability of spaces expected to be greater than at present.

Q: Residents often have to park a ten-minute walk from where they live currently; will the scheme help to resolve this?

A: Although permit holders from eligible properties are entitled to use spaces within a scheme, there is no guarantee that any specific spaces will be available at any one time so you may still have to walk to your property. However, it is expected that the introduction of permit/pay and display in the area will reduce the amount of time that spaces are occupied and therefore should provide more free spaces for residents to park.

Q: If I live in a 'no car' development, will I still be eligible for a parking permit?

A: No, residents in 'no car' developments will not be entitled to a parking permit in the area.