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Dear resident / business owner,

Bishopston and St Andrews parking area

In late 2019/early 2020 we sent you a survey about parking in your area. I am pleased to provide a summary of the survey responses and our next steps. I would like to thank you for providing your views.

In the Bishopston and St Andrews survey area, responses were received from 1,282 properties, out of 3,315 properties in the survey area - a response rate of only 39%.

When we came into office, we were clear that we would only extend existing Residents Parking Schemes if they were led by local councillors with overwhelming support of residents in the areas affected and it is difficult to make a case for an overwhelming support when a little more than a third of homes responded. It appears that residents are not overwhelmingly in favour of a new RPS except in one small area where the level of support has affected the wider result. There is some support for junction protection and we will explore how we can take that forward; we will consult fully with residents and businesses on any proposed design before a decision is made on how to proceed.

We are aware that there are, however, strong views regarding Residents Parking Schemes in the area – both for and against. The engagement demonstrates, for example, that there is a sub-area in the streets immediately east of Cranbrook Road which expressed higher support for an RPS and there may be some support to join an expanded Redland RPS. If any decision is made to consider this, we would be based on the leadership and evidence brought by local councillors, and we would then formally consult in that area. We know that expansion of any area can have an impact on its neighbours, with unintended negative consequences and residents will need to be fully consulted about the effect it might have.

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More broadly, this engagement demonstrates that we will look again at RPS schemes for the area. The RPS existing in areas before 2016 are not always fit for purpose, with the growth of population, the development of higher density communities and car free developments. In considering new proposals for residents parking, we would want to develop new rules and guidelines. We are therefore open to the possibility of expanding new Residents Parking Schemes in this area, but would need to engage with residents on new procedures. We would seek to consider introducing a maximum number of cars that an individual household could register for a permit and altering the rules around guest/visitor permits.

We therefore commit to an ongoing conversation about the potential solutions in the area which meet with local support.

1,618 responses were received in total from the 1,282 properties (there was more than one response from many households). Of all the results from the 39% of households who responded:

- 70% of those responding were in favour of Junction Protection
- 60% of those responding were in favour of a Residents Parking Scheme

Further work on the subareas will be shared once it has been briefed to local ward councillors.

Yours faithfully,

Cllr Kye Dudd

