

Castle Markets Project - Oral History

Interview Transcript

Interviewee Details

Name: Lesley

ID Number: CM_077_Pyatt

Place of Birth: Sheffield

Year / Date of Birth: 06/11/59

Interview Details

Interviewer: Laura Binns

Date / Time: 31/07/13 14.30

Place: Castle Markets

Audio File Nos: CM_077_Pyatt

Summary

Time	Description
0.16	First memory - market with mum
0.43	Market Entertainment
1.02	Mixed feelings about move
1.21	No comment on the future
1.27	Will use the new market
1.37	Uses a variety of shops and visits old workmates
2.01	Used to work in the market

Transcript:

Laura: What is your name?

Lesley: Lesley

Laura: and what is your date of birth?

Lesley: 06/11/59

Laura: and where were you born?

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Lesley: Sheffield

Laura: What is your earliest memory of the market?

Lesley: Back when I was coming with my mum, when I was really young. Really busy. All you could see when you got off the bus were heads. They were like maggots actually, all these heads just moving about. It was really, really good.

Laura: And why did you used to come down, was it for the shops or the things you could buy?

Lesley: The shops, my mum used to do her shopping in here all the time, there weren't huge supermarkets back in the day. And the entertainment were good as well, there used to be a pot stall called Edwards and they used to throw the pots up in the air, and catch them all in a basket without breaking any. That were really good, you know what I mean. And the atmosphere, it was always nice.

Laura: and how do you feel about the market moving?

Lesley: I've got mixed feelings really, I think they should have spent money and done this place up, because everyone is used to it being here. But its new beginnings for everyone I think down here, the new market, hopefully it'll turn for the better.

Laura: do you think the future of the new market is looking good?

Lesley: I wouldn't like to say, I really wouldn't like to say.

Laura: Will you use the new market?

Lesley: Oh yeah, because I like the market people me, I like the atmosphere, the banter

Laura: What kinds of shops do you visit today?

Lesley: Well I've just finished work and I always come to Celia's café for a cup of tea and a scone or something. And I do use the fruits stalls and the meat stalls and the cake shop on the Gallery which is not going to the new market unfortunately. Though I do use a variety of shops in here. I come in to see my old workmates because I used to work in here as well.

Laura: what did you used to do?

Lesley: I used to work at a café at the soda fountain round the corner, I've worked all over the market since leaving school to be honest, but that were the last place I worked in the market, then I worked cleaning in the market

Laura: so you've done a bit of everything?

Lesley: A bit of everything yeah

Laura: Ok thank you very much!

Lesley: You're welcome