



"I've lived here for eight years now, and – while preserving its traditional persona – Clifton has started to feel a bit edgier. I see a real cross-section of people buzzing around now, and it feels more arty, perhaps reminiscent of Primrose Hill. The perception used to be that the Village was a bit snobby, but that mentality has gone. Perhaps there's just too much competition in the area – particularly as far as pubs and shops are concerned – for anyone to afford to be arrogant any more."  
**Ella Hawkey, Atelier Clifton**

"This all said, I've been here over 40 years, and I don't think the actual character of the Village has changed very much. In fact, it's probably been the same for 100 years."  
**Paul Leonard,**  
**Gary Henri Hair Design**

"I don't think it's changed much, either. That's the thing about the Village: it's *always* been pretty, leafy and chichi and – although property has definitely become much more expensive – you still see the same established businesses that have been here for years and years. If anything, the community feel's getting stronger as the rest of the city gets busier. It's pretty timeless."  
**Andrew West, Westcom** ▷

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