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Client
Mark Smith

Park Parade Havant

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Wilkinson Construction Consultants are pleased to have worked alongside Mark Smith, to regenerate a High Street.

Architect
Ian Knight

Empty shops are a blight on the high street and despite access to the retail guru Mary Portas, 10 of the 12 government-funded "Portas Pilot" towns have seen a fall in the number of occupied retail units. Meanwhile Wilkinson Construction Consultants have worked alongside Mark Smith, without government assistance to regenerate a High Street. Park Parade in Havant had some of the highest numbers of empty shops in the country – with some standing empty for more than 20 years.

Sector
Retail

Wilkinson Construction Consultants were appointed as Approved Inspectors for the project to convert the derelict former Netto building, at the top end of Park Parade. The scheme has given a new lease of life to the high street and subdivided a large hard to let unit into five small shops. These have attracted in small local businesses including Buy Sell Baby, L & P Carpets, Big Girls Clothing and Little Cherubs.



Mr Smith, who owns 19 shops said: 'Netto was a total eyesore, and I've spent £75,000 on converting it, and four shops are opening next week because I'm proactive.'

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