

Halifax Place Vision Survey

A Place Vision for Halifax

We have been talking to people in Calderdale to find out what they want for the future of Halifax. We produced the Halifax Town Centre Delivery Plan back in 2014. We're delivering that plan with funding secured from the UK Government and the West Yorkshire Combined Authority. We know how proud everyone is of Halifax. People have told us so.



This year we've been working with stakeholders to look beyond the next few years and figure out what should come next. The next Place Vision for Halifax will be born of this collaborative process.

We will use the next Place Vision for Halifax to secure future funding and present a compelling case for investment in the town. It isn't just about capital projects. It's about making sure we focus on doing the right things so that Halifax can thrive.

The survey should take around 10-15 minutes to complete.

The survey closes 24 August 2025 (at 11:59 PM).



Halifax and you

1. 1: Why do you go to Halifax town centre? (optional)

**Choose as many as you like*

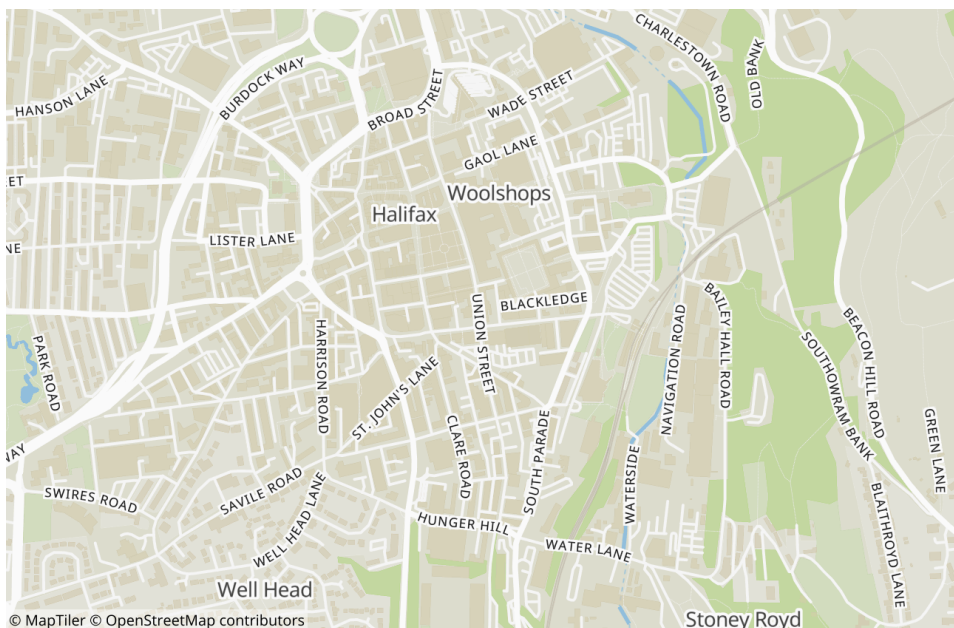
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| <input type="checkbox"/> For work | <input type="checkbox"/> To shop |
| <input type="checkbox"/> You live in Halifax | <input type="checkbox"/> For leisure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> For education/study | <input type="checkbox"/> For the transport links |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other | |

If 'Other', please specify

Your favourite place

2. 2: Where is your favourite place in town? (optional)

Please draw an X on the map below to show the location or write the address instead.



3. 3: Why is this your favourite place? (optional)

Vision themes

4. 4: What kind of town should Halifax be? (optional)

Every day we work hard to get the basics right. Small things can make a big difference in how people feel about our town. Things like tidy streets, cared-for places and street furniture, cleanliness, and safe public spaces.

We want to know what else you think we should focus on.

Please rank these themes.

A liveable town

A place where people can live in or close to the town centre, parks and public spaces. More vibrant, busy (in a good way), and an attractive place to make a home.

A welcoming and hopeful town

A place celebrated for diversity and openness. Where people and communities can grow and build on their aspirations together.

A happy and healthy town

A place where it's easy to have an active and fulfilling life. Where our connections to nature are positive and healthy. Good services and a thriving local economy boost individual well-being.

A clean, safe and secure town

A bustling, vibrant place where community is visible and people feel safe. Where streets are light, clean, and tidy, and where a sense of local pride is on display for all to see.

Please write a number from 1 (most preferred) and 4 (least preferred) in each box. Use each number exactly once.

A liveable town

A welcoming and hopeful town

A happy and healthy town

A clean, safe and secure town

Vision themes

5. 5: How would you like to hear people describe Halifax? (optional)

An industrious and innovative town

People might say:

"Halifax has an enterprising spirit that underpins its growing reputation."

A creative and playful town

People might say:

"Halifax is vibrant, distinctive and a fun place to be."

"The streets in Halifax are playful and creative. It feels like a place for artists, creatives, and makers."

An accessible and inclusive town

People might say:

"Halifax is easy to get around. Everything is within easy reach. It's a pleasure to wander just for a while and discover something delightful or new."

"They've really worked hard to make it inclusive and welcoming for everyone."

A town of culture and heritage

People might say:

"Halifax's past is a source of inspiration, creativity and connection. The town is united by culture."

A green and resilient town

People might say:

"Halifax is a green place. Nature is woven into the fabric of the town centre."

A community-led town

People might say:

"People in Halifax care about and help to shape what they want their town to be."

How would you like to hear people describe Halifax? Please rank these themes.

Please write a number from 1 (most preferred) and 6 (least preferred) in each box. Use each number exactly once.

- An industrious and innovative town
- A creative and playful town
- An accessible and inclusive town
- A town of culture and heritage
- A green and resilient town

A community-led town

Improving Halifax

6. 6: What needs to improve in Halifax? (optional)

Choose the top 3.

**Choose at most 3 options*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Town centre feels like a disconnected patchwork of destinations | <input type="checkbox"/> Poor use of space, and empty units/property |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of access to green spaces/water/nature and nearby landscapes | <input type="checkbox"/> Edges of town not living up to their potential |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Impacts of climate change/poor biodiversity | <input type="checkbox"/> Accessibility/not a comfortable place to stay for very long |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of a "buzz" in the streets and public spaces | <input type="checkbox"/> Feeling safe in the town centre |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other | |

If 'Other', please specify

Opportunities

7. 7: What are the biggest opportunities for Halifax? (optional)

We've defined some opportunities for Halifax:

Community-led

Make Halifax a place where people feel connected, valued and at home. People shape the town and take part in civic life.

Halifax's creative spirit

Celebrate Halifax's creativity and community spirit. Create new clusters for community and space for events in public spaces.

Green spaces

Weave nature back into the town.

Break down barriers to movement

Consider changes to connect communities separated by the A58.

Create new 'Gateway Places'

Create a sense of arrival at key entry points.

Breathe life back into forgotten spaces

Re-think how empty town centre spaces could be adapted and used to breathe life into the town centre.

Playful, welcoming

Bring fun into the everyday with playful spaces and child-friendly features at the heart of town.

Green, creative and industrious economy

Build on Halifax's strong creative and cultural capital, professional services, and green growth.

Get the basics right

Small details make a big difference. Create a town centre that feels welcoming with tidy streets, cared-for places and street furniture.

Hebble Trail in the heart of town

Connect the centre with Halifax's surroundings via The Hebble Trail and wider cycle network.

Liveable neighbourhoods

Increase the number of quality homes within walking distance of the centre.

Talk up the town

Showcase Halifax as a bold, creative, and connected town with national appeal.

What are the biggest opportunities for Halifax? Choose upto 3.

**Choose at most 3 options*

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community-led | <input type="checkbox"/> Halifax's creative spirit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Green spaces | <input type="checkbox"/> Break down barriers to movement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Create new 'Gateway Places' | <input type="checkbox"/> Breathe life back into forgotten spaces |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Playful, welcoming | <input type="checkbox"/> Green, creative and industrious economy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Get the basics right | <input type="checkbox"/> Hebble Trail in the heart of town |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Liveable neighbourhoods | <input type="checkbox"/> Talk up the town |

Vision 2034

Developed in collaboration with hundreds of local people, Vision 34 reveals a long-term destination for the borough of Calderdale.

This vision has been built by over 1,000 people from all walks of life and all parts of the borough. They shared their thoughts on what makes Calderdale great and what their hopes and dreams are for the future.

The vision

In 2034, Calderdale will be an **enterprising** place, full of **opportunity**, where we can all live a larger life.

We will always be **kind** and **welcoming**. Everyone will have reason to be full of **hope** and this will enable us to thrive and get us through testing times.

We will be celebrated for our distinctive **heritage**, nature and **creativity** that everyone can enjoy.

8. 8: Which parts of Vision 2034 should we focus on for Halifax? (optional)

Choose up to 3.

**Choose at most 3 options*

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|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Enterprising | <input type="checkbox"/> Opportunity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kind | <input type="checkbox"/> Welcoming |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hope | <input type="checkbox"/> Heritage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nature | <input type="checkbox"/> Creativity |

Equality monitoring

We want to make sure that Council services can be accessed by as many customers as possible. We recognise that every customer is different and that everyone matters. Monitoring is an essential part of tackling inequality and discrimination. It helps us to check whether our policies, services and culture meet the needs of our community.

The information you provide will be kept confidential and will only be used by our departments and service areas.

Completion of this section or any part of it is voluntary.

9. 9: What is your age? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

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|-----------------------------------|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Under 25 | <input type="radio"/> 25 - 34 |
| <input type="radio"/> 35 - 44 | <input type="radio"/> 45 - 54 |
| <input type="radio"/> 55 - 64 | <input type="radio"/> 65 - 74 |
| <input type="radio"/> 75 and over | <input type="radio"/> Prefer not to say |

Equality monitoring

10. 10: Do you consider yourself to have a disability or long-term health condition? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to say

Equality monitoring

11. 11: What is your sex? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

- Female
- Male
- Prefer not to say

Equality monitoring

12. 12: Is your gender identity the same as your sex registered at birth? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to say

Equality monitoring

13. 13: Which of the following best describes your sexual orientation? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

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| <input type="radio"/> Bisexual | <input type="radio"/> Gay / gay man |
| <input type="radio"/> Gay woman / Lesbian | <input type="radio"/> Heterosexual / straight |
| <input type="radio"/> Prefer not to say | <input type="radio"/> Other |

If 'Other', please specify

Equality monitoring

14. 14: What is your ethnic background? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

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|---|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Arab | <input type="radio"/> Asian or Asian British: Bangladeshi |
| <input type="radio"/> Asian or Asian British: Chinese | <input type="radio"/> Asian or Asian British: Indian |
| <input type="radio"/> Asian or Asian British: Pakistani | <input type="radio"/> Other Asian or Asian British background |
| <input type="radio"/> Black or Black British: African | <input type="radio"/> Black or Black British: Caribbean |
| <input type="radio"/> Other Black / Black British background | <input type="radio"/> Mixed / Multiple ethnic background: White and Asian |
| <input type="radio"/> Mixed / Multiple ethnic background: White and Black African | <input type="radio"/> Mixed / Multiple ethnic background: White and Black Caribbean |
| <input type="radio"/> Other Mixed / Multiple ethnic background | <input type="radio"/> White: British |
| <input type="radio"/> White: Gypsy or Irish Traveller | <input type="radio"/> White: Irish |
| <input type="radio"/> White: Roma | <input type="radio"/> Other: White background |
| <input type="radio"/> Prefer not to say | <input type="radio"/> Any other ethnic group |

If 'Any other ethnic group', please specify

Equality monitoring

15. 15: What is your religion or belief? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

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| <input type="radio"/> Christian | <input type="radio"/> Hindu |
| <input type="radio"/> Jewish | <input type="radio"/> No religion |
| <input type="radio"/> Atheist | <input type="radio"/> Sikh |
| <input type="radio"/> Agnostic | <input type="radio"/> Buddhist |
| <input type="radio"/> Muslim | <input type="radio"/> Prefer not to say |
| <input type="radio"/> Other | |

If 'Other', please specify
