

# Cleckheaton your town, your voice



## Next steps for 'Cleckheaton – your town, your voice' results June 2022

### What we did

During September and October 2021, Cleckheaton ward councillors and Kirklees Council staff learned what local people think about Cleckheaton town centre, through the 'Cleckheaton – your town, your voice' Place Standard engagement.

The results of what people told us are published online and available for everyone to look at. Ward councillors and council officers wanted to ensure the results summary accurately reflects what people have said. We also wanted to make sure more local people had the opportunity to contribute.

In June 2022 we held a face-to-face drop-in session at Cleckheaton Town Hall to discuss the results and work with local people to prioritise what is important to them. We also sent a letter to businesses and households in the vicinity of Cleckheaton town centre with the option to complete an online questionnaire, which was shaped by what we'd learned from participants so far.

### Who Participated?

**139** people took part in our 'Next steps' activities in Cleckheaton

**453** people have taken part in 'Cleckheaton your town, your voice' overall

At the 'Cleckheaton your town, your voice' next steps drop-in session approximately a dozen local people joined ward councillors and council officers to discuss the results summary. 123 people completed our 'Next steps' questionnaire. 98 of these were returned through the post. 41 people who completed the questionnaire had also taken part in the initial 'Cleckheaton - your town, your voice' engagement activities in 2021.

<b>Age</b>	<b>Number of participants</b>	<b>Percentage of participants</b>
Under 16	0	0
16 to 24	0	0
25 to 34	10	8.1
35 to 44	21	17.1
45 to 54	22	17.9
55 to 64	26	21.1
65 to 74	28	22.8
75+	16	13
	<b>123</b>	<b>100</b>

<b>Gender</b>	<b>Number of participants</b>	<b>Percentage of participants</b>
Male	29	27.6
Female	63	60
Non-binary	1	1
Prefer not to say	12	11.4
	<b>105</b>	<b>100</b>

These figures are for the participants who chose to share this information

### **What we've learned**

We've included a summary of what we learned from participants, through our 'Next steps' questionnaire and drop-in session. Everything we did was based on what citizens in Cleckheaton have told us so far. We also encouraged new participants to share their own ideas.

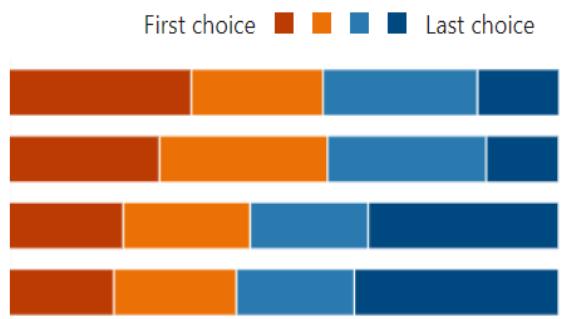
The questionnaire enabled participants to provide a ranking for different groups of priorities, based on what previous participants had said. We also asked for any further comments, ideas and suggestions about Cleckheaton town centre.

## Next steps questionnaire results

### Getting around the town centre

**Q1.** People told us about issues with roads and pavements, traffic congestion and that bus services and green networks could be improved.

1. Promote and improve outdoor spaces and networks; maintain Public Rights of Way, make improvements and better connections to the Greenway, raise awareness and improve signage of routes into town away from traffic.
2. Improve narrow, uneven pavements; resurface and widen where appropriate, improve accessibility, remove weeds, overhanging vegetation, and address litter and dog fouling.
3. Maintain/resurface roads and improve traffic management and synchronisation of traffic lights and roadworks.
4. Improve public transport (buses and trains) and connections. More frequent, reliable and affordable bus services with shorter journeys times and better connections e.g. to Huddersfield, Junction 27, Hunsorth, Brighouse, Leeds, Mirfield and Kirklees colleges.



Participants made 70 comments on Getting around the town centre

### Key words from comments

car park free parking people Cleckheaton needsroads streets town centre road works roads and pavements

### What people said about getting around the town centre

The highest proportion of comments focused on roads and congestion closely followed by comments relating to pavements and then comments about how Cleckheaton could be tidied and made more attractive.

People referred to the congestion in and around the town centre including identifying specific areas such as by the Memorial Park and Westgate as well as issues due to motorway traffic from Chain Bar. Pavements are described as uneven, narrow, in disrepair and in need of cleaning, with pavement parking and lack of dropped kerbs being an issue for accessibility. Some pedestrianisation was suggested for the shopping areas of Cheapside and Albion Street, allowing for loading and unloading at specific times. Road maintenance and repairs could be improved to address potholes and congestion. Attractiveness could be enhanced with hanging baskets, painting

of properties and general tidiness of some businesses. Better bus services to surrounding areas of Huddersfield, particularly in the evening, Leeds, and Junction 27. A rail service was also suggested.

### **Quotes about getting around the town centre:**

*“To keep Cleckheaton vibrant and prospering it needs to be attractive, welcoming and accessible to visitors, residents and businesses”*

*“Definitely keep parking free as this allows people to pop into town for small errands”*

*“Improve narrow uneven pavements”*

### **Suggestions:**

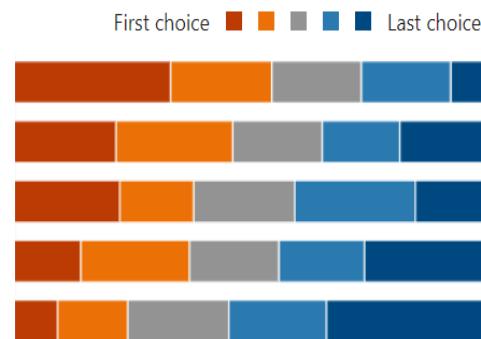
- The junction by the memorial park is too narrow when coming from the post office direction. There needs to be two lanes with the right filter lane longer than it currently is; this causes much congestion in the town. A better point for turning right onto Parkside would help ease the chaos around that area.
- The council need to consider the number of developments they give planning permission for, as huge increases in the number of vehicles on the road adds to the difficulties of reaching the town centre. This is a particular problem with issues around Chain Bar, the A58 and vehicles taking short cuts down Westgate.
- Need traffic lights at Chain Bar roundabout on road from Oakenshaw.
- A quick bus to Leeds needed.
- Traffic light controlled bridge on Whitcliffe Road.
- Only pedestrianise Cheapside and Albion Street. Crown Street is a busy road with lorries going to deliver at Tesco and cars coming and going to Tesco. To close Cross Crown Street would only put more traffic on a busy road.
- A plan at the car park showing location of shops etc would be helpful such as at shopping centres
- Pedestrianisation of some of the shopping streets is a good idea, maybe for parts of the day/ certain days at first. Definitely keep parking free as this allows people to pop into town for small errands.
- More seating in the town area needed.
- Stop people parking vehicles on the pavement
- improve narrow uneven pavements
- The whole town centre requires a good jetwash to bring the life back to pavements.
- Encourage hanging baskets, painting of properties and general tidiness of some businesses. Chase up old businesses that have moved on but left a mess and rundown buildings
- Raise awareness of Spen Bottoms only a short walk from the town centre
- The ugly steel fences should be replaced by the ornate but strong and aesthetic ones that other towns and villages have
- More green areas.
- Have a road sweeper run around town and clean out road drains as all the drains running down west gate are blocked. they are used for takeaways to put waste down. cut grass from main road to greenway.
- I often wonder if community service sentences can include litter collection/clearing. It's good for those who have done wrong to give back and create a sense of dignity.
- Better connections to Junction 27 Batley Huddersfield would be great.
- Please re-institute buses late night from Cleckheaton to Huddersfield and Huddersfield to Cleckheaton. in order to get to shows and venues.
- You need to use the Town Hall as a community hub if one is needed at all.

- The town needs a better bus service. But it needs a rail service. We are part of Kirklees and the town could sustain a rail link. A Kirklees Calderdale link that links Spen with Huddersfield, Brighouse, Halifax and maybe Bradford would definitely be well used. Especially so on evenings and Sundays but also to get people to work and collage. Also an X33 type train that would run from Bradford to Sheffield via the Spen towns and call at Wakefield and Barnsley would be very useful.
- We need to keep all car parking spaces. Free parking is essential to Cleckheaton
- Continue to provide free parking both on street and in car parks the former being important with disabled spaces. Please do not pedestrianize which will reduce access and subsequently business making the town centre less desirable/attractive. We need to ensure businesses are thriving to attract customers

## Care and maintenance of town centre buildings and spaces

**Q2.** People told us about places and properties that could be better maintained and enhanced.

1. Improve areas such as Northgate, Westgate, Horncastle Street, Bradford Road town centre gateways, & Central Arcade.
2. Improve Cleckheaton Market Hall, the market exterior wall, toilet facilities and access.
3. Preserve historical buildings and address empty buildings in disrepair.
4. Improve Cleckheaton town centre shop fronts & signage.
5. Enhance Cleckheaton town centre with more green spaces, trees, flowerbeds, planters/hanging baskets, better signage, bins, seating and accessibility.



**Participants made 61 comments on Care and maintenance of town centre buildings and spaces**

### Key words from comments



### What people said about care and maintenance of town centre buildings and spaces

The majority of comments related to green spaces and making the town look attractive with planting, seating, flowerbeds and addressing derelict spaces and poorly maintained buildings. There were several comments praising the work of volunteers in looking after the planted areas in Cleckheaton. People care about the shopping offer, ensuring it was diverse and attracted

independent traders and shoppers to the town. Buildings need to be preserved and repaired and used. Market hall and toilet improvements were said to be needed.

#### **Quotes:**

*"It is important that Cleckheaton stays tidy and clean with updated buildings."*

*"Empty buildings make our town look awful. We should preserve historical buildings like Barclays bank etc."*

*"Difficult balance to achieve but investment in making shops look attractive, plenty of places to sit within areas of flowers/shrubs along with good access to aim for."*

#### **Suggestions:**

- Cleckheaton has many beautiful old buildings which should be cherished and cared for to preserve the history of our town.
- Cleckheaton needs more shops of interest from independent sellers, this is to create more interest in the town.
- The Memorial park should be properly maintained.
- investment in making shops look attractive, plenty of places to sit within areas of flowers/shrubs along with good access to aim for.
- Toilet facilities are an issue in town if we want more people to come and return.
- Empty buildings make our town look awful. We should preserve historical buildings like Barclays bank etc.
- Clean the drains some are totally blocked (Sykes St). More street cleaning.
- The Greenway and its boundaries need a lot of tidying and clearing.
- Do something about the pigeons under the bridge next to Tesco car part and clean the pavements of pigeon droppings. It stinks.
- Cleckheaton in Bloom need more help from council to maintain existing green spaces. Too many weeds by shop fronts. Improve area between John St car park and Bradford Road.
- The town centre needs basic maintenance to make it looks and feel like somewhere you want to shop.
- Market Hall and greenspace linked by Savoy Sq It needs urgent attention - becoming an eyesore again
- Town Hall is not used - expensive waste of money - should be civic centre of Cleckheaton, cheap to hire rooms etc for community use
- The area outside the market could be regenerated. Inside the market could be updated and have food stalls
- Tesco should make a "green wall" on their wall on Serpentine Road (ie with plants all over it). Plant trees where possible on small patches of grass.
- Toilets in market to be improved
- Toilets should be opened at bus station
- More trees on small verge areas and bulbs
- Ask Tesco to put green wall plants on Serpentine Rd side of their building
- Need more attention on pavement condition
- The town is old fashioned and needs new signage and new shops.
- Getting new businesses into premises, maybe at reduced rates, would improve the town and make it more attractive to visit.
- Update the exterior of the market and improve the toilet facilities.
- The market needs to be improved so it doesn't close down and become another empty building
- The focus should be on bringing more independent traders to the town.

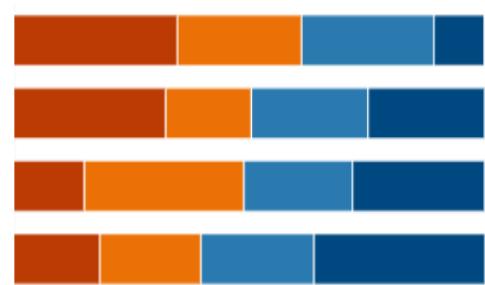
- The appearance of the market building is a disgrace. No investment since the fire 15 - 20 indoor market toilets need renovating years ago. Needs a modern cladding to entire building.
- Green and pedestrianise Northgate
- Several local towns have attractive engraved stone with flower beds welcoming people as they enter the town, Cleckheaton needs some of these at each entrance to the town. It is a statement of what to expect, a town that is welcoming and cares
- More benches and main square made more welcoming will be nice.
- Reduce business rates to help get a variety of shops.
- We need more bins and seating in town centre
- A general tidy of the town would be good.
- Target derelict buildings or buildings where landlords are leaving buildings looking in disrepair e.g. signage, weeds, overgrown areas, poor broken signage.
- Shop fronts need to be more tastefully coloured.

### Support for small business and town centre economy

**Q3.** People told us there could be more support for small businesses and more promotion of what the town has to offer.

1. Grants for signage and free/reduced affordable rates to support local business and community groups.
2. More promotion of town centre facilities, amenities, and retail offer.
3. Support/ units for business start-ups.
4. Build on the town centre events and festivals that attract visitors to the town e.g. run a shop local event etc, and provide affordable well publicised community activities.

First choice ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ Last choice



Participants made 47 comments on support to small businesses

#### Key words from comments



## What people said about support to small businesses

People commented on the need to support small or start-up businesses, for example, through reducing rents and rates on Council buildings and small grants. People said that a diverse and quality retail offer was important and to be encouraged as this would bring in more people. There was support for the events and festivals that take place. These were said to be good for the town and would benefit from more support from the Council. Free and adequate car parking is also valued.

### Quotes

*“Supporting existing businesses and enhancing the actual town would encourage new businesses into the area naturally.”*

*“The recent dino day Cleckheaton Christmas markets and other events were lovely. community ready to spend money locally. Please can we build on this- we need our town.”*

*“Keep parking free of charge to encourage people to shop in Cleckheaton”*

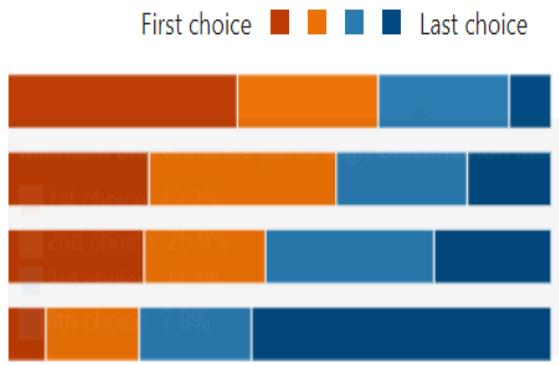
### Suggestions

- New business needs to be encouraged and help advice given to people who what to start something new and interesting.
- Make market stalls more accessible and affordable for small independent local businesses.
- Business start ups particularly for young people - help required
- Small businesses need to be given reduced affordable rents to stop shops having to close as they can't afford the rent.
- Any help with running costs would help independent retailers.
- Reduced rents on council buildings and grants for updated signage/exterior building work for businesses would really help.
- Rates need to be lower for businesses who are starting up.
- Need more help for shop owners (ie reduce rates) so shops have more help ans shoppers can still buy local
- Retail needs diversifying - not just boutiques selling clothes, fast food outlets and coffee bars.
- encouraging more businesses in the town centre is welcome. Different shops to get more people
- Again the town relies on local businesses and groups to organise events the council could do more to help with this
- The recent dino day Cleckheaton Christmas markets and other events were lovley. community ready to spend money locally. please can we build on this- we need our town.
- Increasing the variety of events with more diversity would attract a whole new spectrum of visitors.
- Free and plentiful car parking is the single most important thing that can be done to support local businesses. Do not remove so many
- Keep free parking to encourage local shopping and make small businesses viable.
- Keep parking free of charge to encourage people to shop in Cleckheaton
- If grants were allocated for shop front signage there needs to be some regs re size and shape
- Visual appearance of towns retail units needs improving even just a lick of paint

## Improve play and recreation facilities, parks and green spaces

**Q4.** People told us there were opportunities to improve parks, green spaces and recreational facilities.

1. Maintain and enhance parks e.g., Cleckheaton Memorial Park, and play spaces.
2. Enhance green spaces such as Spen Bottoms/Mann Dam and Savoy Square.
3. Improve and indoor and outdoor recreation facilities for teenagers and children e.g. better play equipment, learning spaces with biodiversity measures, skatepark, BMX track, Royds Park tennis courts.
4. More town centre recreational facilities and amenities.



Participants made 55 comments on improving play and recreation

### Key words from comments

memorial park Children Spen Bottoms green areas play areas  
areas and green Park area need good local parks  
council savoy End Park  
park area mann dam green spaces facilities need for spaces skate park

### What people said about improving play and recreation

People commented on the need for maintenance of existing facilities and need for clearing and tidying areas, enhancing and valuing them. There were also many comments relating to Mann Dam, including the need to repair the boardwalk, enhance amenities and tidy it, and improve walking routes. The need for more facilities and activities for teenagers and young people also featured, particularly replacement of the skatepark facility and improvements to play areas.

### Quotes

*“Definitely need to reintroduce the skatepark that was removed”*

*“Man Dam - improve walking routes and get people out walking and socialising.”*

*“Parks are valuable spaces and need to be maintained and valued.”*

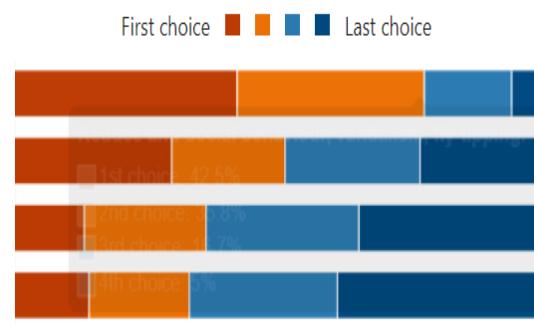
## Suggestions

- Clean up and improve the existing green spaces.
- Have a place where teenagers can go. Get them off the streets. They can be frightening in 'gangs'.
- More bins with more frequent collection at Mann Dam especially in summer when people have BBQs/picnics. Litter ends up all over the field which is dangerous for the many dogs that walk down there.
- The Boardwalk at Spen Beck/Mann Dam is of major importance for green travel and walks to and from the town
- The skate park must be repaired - this has been promised on several occasions
- Green spaces at Mann Dam need to be maintained and more bins provided.
- The Mann Dam area would be an ideal spot to be developed into a lovely park.
- Somewhere for teenagers and youngsters to meet such as social events/activities to keep them off the streets and give them something to focus on. There are many activities/groups that would help them.
- PLEASE replace skatepark to create a critical mass of sports facilities close together
- More budget required to enhance and maintain existing parks
- More access for wheelchairs I have limited access to Mann Dam and non to most things off the cycle path.
- Play equipment at Moor End Park needs updating
- More use of Spen Bottoms
- maybe update with bmx facilities and enhance tennis courts.
- Parks are valuable spaces and need to be maintained and valued.
- it would be good for young people to have somewhere to go e.g skate park
- Savoy Square could be beautiful.
- More facilities for children to play and for teenagers to actually do things instead of hanging around the memorial Gardens.
- Spen Bottoms and Mann Dam are crying out to be enhanced. Many residents say, oh it's years since I've been there. The boardwalk is in a sorry dilapidated state in places and pathways can become muddy and difficult to negotiate. Discrete sign posts with circular walks and publicity about the enhancement would make it more available.
- Man Dam - improve walking routes and get people out walking/socialising.
- More is needed for young adults. Places for them to meet and enjoy activities.
- Areas scooting/bmx bikes. safe enclosed space for youngsters- clubs/activities in place.

## Feeling Safe

**Q5** People told us that they don't always feel safe particularly at night and that antisocial activities were a concern.

1. Reduce anti-social behaviour, vandalism, fly-tipping.
2. Address speeding, irresponsible driving, pavement parking.
3. Tackle drugs in specific areas.
4. Increase deterrent and enforcement action e.g., Police presence, CCTV, lighting repairs, speed cameras, lower speed restrictions.



Participants made 54 comments on feeling safe

### Key words from comments



### What people said about feeling safe

People commented mostly on the lack of police presence, which would help people feel safer and deter or address antisocial behaviour and drugs. Drugs were an issue, with hotspots identified. Irresponsible driving including speeding was a concern with high-speed areas identified and some suggestions for restrictions. Further comments related to fly-tipping needing to be addressed, along with concerns about groups of youths congregating or displaying antisocial behaviour

### Quotes

*“A visible police presence would make a big difference.”*

*“Use cameras in key areas to catch fly tippers and people throwing litter out of cars.”*

*“There are regular spots where fly tipping occurs these areas should be monitored.”*

### Suggestions

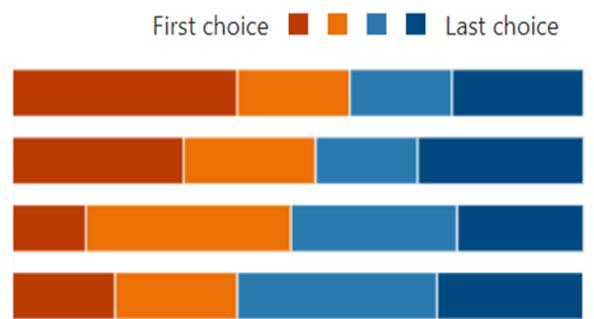
- More police presence
- More police on foot around so they can be seen.
- Would like to see more police around Town.
- More police presence and cctv around drug areas
- Use cameras in key areas to catch fly tippers and people throwing litter out of cars
- Fly tipping will continue unless Council makes it easier and cheaper to get rid of rubbish
- CCTV around town centre would be good as there is a lot of theft that has affected a lot of small businesses. But it is no good if it is bad quality
- Chain bar round about is a nightmare for road signage when coming off the m606. People always in the wrong lane to cut people off. it needs to be addressed.
- Fly tipping should be dealt with very quickly.
- Lighting, lower speed restrictions
- There should be speed bumps on St Reg Lane and Spen Lane. The idiots came racing up and down late at night. The pavement parking is a big problem especially outside the second hand car place towards Rawfolds on the main road.
- A greater number of cameras on problematic roads/crossroads would address poor driving and irresponsible parking.
- There are regular spots where fly tipping occurs these areas should be monitored.

- Speed cameras on Bradford Road needed. some drivers just drive like idiots and dangerously.
- Address the behaviour of youths in surrounding areas so that people can walk safely into the town.
- If there is somewhere for people to go on an evening young and old, would help everybody
- If the whole place is spruced up and better maintained then the situation should improve.
- More police on foot. More action to be taken on drug awareness. Speeding needs reducing e.g. Spen Lane
- Cleckheaton bus station needs a real crackdown on drug use and antisocial behaviour. Also young lads on bikes late at night around the greenway.
- We would like a police presence in Cleckheaton. For the elderly and infirm without is of great concern. We do not feel safe.

## Community and influence

**Q6.** People told us that they don't always feel listened to. There could be more and better publicised opportunities of how to get involved, make views heard and influence decisions. There were also opportunities to promote local heritage and community activities.

1. Celebrate local heritage, support festivals, events & local community activities.
2. A community hub or co-ordination of information about services, and community groups and activity.
3. Better promotion and awareness raising of how people can get involved and contribute to decision making. More local engagement and consultation.
4. More opportunities to have say on issues to influence decisions e.g., concerns about development and infrastructure.



Participants made 41 comments on Community and Influence

### Key words from comments



## What people said about community and influence

The majority of comments relate to the importance of local residents being listened to. Some felt they were not listened to and ignored by Kirklees Council. They said they should have a say on local development and several referred to the Amazon scheme. It was suggested that more and better use of Cleckheaton Town Hall could be made by services or for information, engagement and consultation. It could be made easier for residents to access information, not just on the Kirklees website, to enable people to have a greater awareness of relevant local information and events. Events were said to be very popular. It was felt that more events and festivals could be held, to get people involved in local activity and celebrate the history of the town. More support to groups and volunteers would be helpful.

## Quotes

*"Listen to the residents"*

*"Have more services at the town hall instead of having to travel or ring Huddersfield Town Hall."*

*"Cleckheaton Town Hall should be used regularly by KMC to inform/consult/engage."*

*"More needs to be done to celebrate the history of our town and to raise awareness of it. Festivals, more events etc."*

## Suggestions

- Make it easier to access/find information on local changes, quite difficult to find on the council website. Notification to local residents who may have disruption due to festivals. Events, e.g. parking.
- Listen to the residents
- Better use of the Town Hall could be made
- Help volunteer groups attract members.
- More events required to bring more people into the town so they can get more involved in local events and support wider decision making on future initiative
- Council and Councillors should conduct business visibly. Area Cttees should be re-instated
- Cleckheaton Town Hall should be used regularly by KMC to inform/consult/engage
- Much better publicity - NOT THE INTERNET
- Should do regular questionnaires like this to ask for local feedback.
- Cleckheaton Town Hall and library should be used on a more regular basis to display planning applications within the area. This would allow those people who don't have a car or access to a computer to see plans and not be excluded from the process. Also, information needs to be more freely available so people have a greater awareness of proposals for the area.
- Take notice of issues people raise. The Amazon scheme is one such issue.
- the Folk Festival could be better supported. Also help and support red House Barn project - when will it happen?
- I think there are a lot of things that people are ignored on, we feel left out. Amazon being one. We used to have public meetings called the Area Cttee - why were these taken away? Bring them back
- Re local heritage why don't you ask the civic society to do a local history board along the lines of the motorbike one they did at Home Bargains?

- The library is a really important local resource, and could be used to display plans, hold local meetings.
- 'The town hall could be used more now Covid is more or less over. It's often said Dewsbury Town Hall is used more often and that shouldn't be the case.

## Q7. What Matters Most to You?

### Key words from comments



### Main themes

As part of the questionnaire, participants were given the opportunity to tell us what matters most to them. Comments mainly included a more diverse range of shops, free parking, keeping parking spaces, investment in the centre and traffic and road safety.

### Quotes

*"FREE PARKING IS A MUST! It all needs to stay do not take any of it away."*

*"Investing in new signage for shops will make the town centre more appealing."*

*"With thought and investment Savoy Square could become a beautiful area where people want to sit and while away the time. The benches in the Memorial Park are another problem."*

### Suggestions

- Do not take away so many parking spaces
- More car parking please to help small shops etc
- Reduce the amount of roadworks!!!!
- We need to encourage people visiting the town centre not discourage them by restricting parking in the town centre.
- Local facilities and amenities and shops so we don't have to travel to other towns for these. More brunch places and bars. A seamstress and bring sports fx back!!
- More frequent bus links from Scholes would be appreciated
- Please keep parking free.
- Please encourage small businesses rather than large chains.
- I feel Cleckheaton is generally a safe place but it could benefit from improved deterrents to keep it safe especially in the evening.

- Derelict/empty shops bring down the face of the town so need to be improved by offering incentives to businesses/community groups that could utilise the space and enhance the town.
- Owners of buildings that are run down should be made to keep them at a good standard.
- Don't let such a huge development go ahead at Chain Bar; it will change the whole area for the worse!
- Cleckheaton needs to invest in the wellbeing of its residents and taxpayers.
- Town centre traffic needs cutting down
- There should be a route from the Greenway, through Tesco into Horncastle Street, as the best way to connect the Greenway and Ringway.
- Better Public Transport especially rail.
- Keep our green spaces such as the Savoy Square and keep the Holly.
- Only pedestrianise Cheapside and Albion Street if needed.
- Talk to people and Businesses to find out what is needed.
- Stop making it better for those causing antisocial behaviour.
- Help the festivals survive by keeping the areas where they are held.
- Support community groups such as Cleckheaton in Bloom.
- Put the money back into the Christmas Lights.
- Use the Town Hall, we don't need that hub building.
- Do not make a blind spot worse at the bottom of Crown Street as there will be a fatal accident if that useless and unnecessary hub is built.
- We should be engaging schools, local businesses and local community groups to work together to assist with the tidying up, providing of greenery to save money during the project for the unavoidable expense of new structures etc. A community bid team should be able to engage local larger businesses i.e. Greggs/Tesco/Home Bargains/Dominoes on the promise of good promotion during the regeneration on hoardings etc to give staff charitable time, donations, trees for planting etc so that the 1.5m pot is put to best use in the areas needed. Financial transparency and an encouragement for local trades to pitch to carry out works needed so the community as whole have invested time and money in these improvements and the funds used to implement are used employing local contractors.
- Just look after what we have and do not deter people from coming here to shop or be entertained.
- Enticing different business opportunities into Cleckheaton

## Q7. What matters most to you?

Do you have any other comments or ideas about Cleckheaton town centre?

Comments were mainly on the following themes. There were various single comments and suggestions on other topics.

Diverse Shops	6
Keep free Parking	5
Don't Take away parking	4
Investment	4
Speeding road safety traffic	4
Bus Services	2