

## SUMMER E-PANEL SURVEY RESULTS

The most popular response is highlighted for each question

### Results

#### A BIT ABOUT YOU

First of all we'd like to know a bit more about you, to help us understand more about our e-panel.

How would you describe yourself? (If you're struggling.. what words would your friends or family use?) Pick as many as you want.			
249 (78%)	Good listener	46 (14%)	Shy
243 (76%)	Respectful	150 (47%)	Community spirited
108 (34%)	Fun/energetic	247 (77%)	Open minded
91 (28%)	Competitive	229 (72%)	Loyal
133 (42%)	Creative	113 (35%)	Outgoing
159 (50%)	Easy going	99 (31%)	Inventive
47 (15%)	Risk taker	225 (70%)	Fair
171 (53%)	Tolerant	93 (29%)	Game for a laugh

What's your favourite thing about living in Kirklees?

244 favourite things – the most popular being the countryside, open spaces and friends and family! (see last pages for full list)

#### YOUR LOCAL AREA

This section asks for your views on what it's like in your local area - that's the area within 15-20 minutes walking distance of your home.

To what extent do you agree or disagree that your local area is...					
	Strongly agree	Tend to agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Tend to disagree	Strongly disagree
...a place where people pull together to improve things in the local area	25 (8%)	122 (38%)	89 (28%)	65 (20%)	17 (5%)
...a place where people help and support each other	25 (8%)	138 (43%)	103 (32%)	41 (13%)	12 (4%)
...a place where you feel proud to live	67 (21%)	132 (41%)	81 (25%)	30 (9%)	9 (3%)
...a place where people trust each other	23 (7%)	121 (38%)	103 (32%)	55 (17%)	18 (6%)

#### ARE LOCAL PUBLIC SERVICES FAIR?

To what extent do you agree or disagree that local public services...					
	Strongly agree	Tend to agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Tend to disagree	Strongly disagree
...treat people with fairness and respect	24 (8%)	152 (48%)	78 (25%)	43 (14%)	18 (6%)
...treat people equally regardless of their background (e.g. age, disability, ethnicity)	35 (11%)	145 (47%)	76 (25%)	35 (11%)	16 (5%)

Thinking specifically about the last time you contacted or were in contact with the council...  
 Did you feel you were treated fairly? (*respondents who have been in contact with the council in the last 12 months*)

152 (75%)	Yes
50 (25%)	No

### Who took part?

321 panellists took part in this survey:

- 141 Male (44%)
- 178 Female (56%)
- 29 disabled respondents (9%)
- 24 BME respondents (7%)

298 (93%) provided recognised as Kirklees postcodes

- 25% North Kirklees
- 68% South Kirklees
- 7% *outside Kirklees*

Ages:

- 8% aged 16-34
- 64% aged 35-64
- 27% aged 65+

What's your favourite thing about living in Kirklees?

- Diverse community within beautiful countryside
- All my family and friends are here
- Friendly people, as long as they don't go on too much about Yorkshire being God's own county. I am a Scouser by birth.
- Nothing
- Close to the countryside
- the area has everything I need within easy reach - Oakwell Hall, local markets, parks, lots of activities and a sense of identity and community
- Nature's Beauty
- Green fields
- The varied scenic landscape
- The people and the scenery!
- surrounding countryside
- Easy access to Leeds and the motorway network
- Scenery
- My family and friends
- The beautiful countryside
- The lovely green areas
- been home for +40 years
- Being close to family and friends
- Nice atmosphere
- Holme Valley
- It's where I grew up, where my friends are and its beautiful.
- Good question
- It's my Birthplace and a place I treat my home place
- Easy access to countryside
- Diversity
- Variety of choices
- the opportunities and facilities and the mix of living in the countryside but close to large towns and cities
- Like living in Mirfield
- The people
- not having to ring the council much
- The people
- The Holme Valley
- All my family & friends live there
- It is where I decided to live when I moved from South Yorkshire
- Closeness to rural areas
- The mix of interesting towns and lovely countryside.
- The view from our lounge window.
- The countryside and the events such as Shepley Festival and Emley Show.
- Being in the middle of the countryside.
- The holes in the roads.
- No Comment
- the scenery buildings and trees
- n/a
- The geography and the people
- the access to amenities but you can the escape into the countryside
- Family
- Being able to be in open countryside within 10 minutes or so wherever you happen to be in the area.
- Landscape
- Living amongst friends
- Good transport links.
- The countryside where we live
- It's my home - it's where I was born
- I've always lived here so can't really say
- Proud to live in Kirklees
- peace and quiet, and friendly people in this neighbourhood
- The friendliness of the people
- Family and Friends live here
- The greenery
- The scenery
- Fixby the area I live in
- Close to people I care about.
- The lovely people and access to the countryside.
- Open spaces like Beaumont and Green head park
- The people
- The countryside
- The countryside
- The country side
- countryside
- The landscape - we live in the Colne Valley and it is beautiful.
- The beautiful landscape and countryside
- The countryside
- Great town with a strong identity
- Good connections to transport system.
- Surrounding countryside and towns
- Living in Scholes
- The open countryside
- Easy access to surrounding countryside.
- I love the scenery combined with having everything I need within easy reach.
- My house
- The countryside.
- Availability of the council . Usually get a response.
- Access to the countryside.
- The mixture of rural, suburban, urban landscape and the countryside - though Grimscar Valley is now disappearing! The mixture of people you see around - diversity...
- castle hill
- Being near my family and friends
- Close to both countryside and towns
- The surrounding countryside
- THE GREENERY
- so close to open countryside
- Surrounding countryside
- Very friendly people.
- It's home.
- Close proximity to countryside and central position in country. It's a beautiful place to live with friendly people which is just the right size. I love it and don't want to live anywhere else ever!
- friendly people and beautiful countryside
- It feels like being part of a community who are tolerant of each other. I think Kirklees fosters this by the many social and cultural events it used to promote although these have become much less over the last few years I'm assuming because of lack of funds.
- I love Huddersfield! The people are friendly, helpful, polite and the community spirit is evident to see all around.
- everyone treated equally and with respect
- The easy access to beautiful countryside
- Not being in a city!
- the surrounding countryside is stunning
- don't no any better.
- love the countryside right on our doorstep. I appreciate and support local events like The Festival of Light and the Food Festival
- the area west of huddersfield
- Don't do favourites
- plenty of open countryside yet near to towns and villages
- The countryside
- Shops
- people living here are generally helpful and friendly not cold and distant as people living in a big city
- Village life and the countryside
- Kirklees is easy going, good services and all you need in a few miles
- The countryside and open spaces
- The hills! The countryside scenery is inspiring.

- Countryside
- Being centrally located making it easy to reach places.
- that's where my family are
- Landscape
- I live in an area which for the most part is quiet
- The number of people with civic pride
- Being close to good shops and restaurants whilst at the same time being so close to beautiful outdoor spaces
- Where I live is in one of the more rural areas of Kirklees and I would prefer it to stay that way. There may be another part of this survey which covers "planning" and house building, but just in case, time to use "brownfield sites" rather than "greenfield" must be taken into account, alongside the wishes of the electorate who have to suffer BAD planning decisions.
- It's home
- My family's roots. The beautiful countryside, the architecture and the proximity to both coastal areas.
- The countryside on your doorstep.
- Countryside
- The countryside
- Mix of town and rural settings - best of both worlds.
- Easy access to the countryside. Generally a tolerant community.
- Countryside
- Cosmopolitan town where you can buy anything you want at a reasonable price. Good public transport, friendly people
- Huddersfield
- Country views from my windows
- The Countryside
- Scenery
- The green countryside where I live
- The diversity of city and countryside, being close to work and to my friends.
- The amount of countryside nearby canals, reservoirs etc.
- Access to countryside. Small town - not too hard to walk round. Historic buildings
- mix of urban and country
- People and the countryside.
- The countryside
- People/countryside
- It has a good mix of everything I need and in a good position for accessing the countryside or ease of travel to a city and the motorway network. Have no complaints about the services I receive from the council and think they are quite forward thinking.
- nice outlook
- Being near to the countryside and so many walks
- Being near to relatives
- The countryside
- Sense of village community different from the city.
- I understand the community and belong here
- Location - easy access to major cities, countryside and coast within a couple of hours
- It's home for my husband and I
- I am proud to be a Yorkshire Lass and to live in Kirklees
- I've lived in Kirklees all my life
- the people and the countryside
- friends
- Vibrant mix of rural, village and town.
- Countryside
- Being in the Holme Valley
- Countryside
- Relatively cheap housing, fairly easy commuting, good views from hills/local area.
- The beautiful scenery and access to so many services and activities
- Accessibility to countryside and transport links.
- The beautiful scenery - sadly it's being trashed by building projects. (Wonder how that happened???)
- the countryside, mountains and valleys
- The view from my dining room window
- variety of people
- the countryside
- Great towns close to great countryside with great people.
- the people
- diversity of the geography
- The countryside
- It rains less than in Manchester. It tries to be clean and safe, and to provide culture and fun.
- Wondering what is going to happen next !
- Location, location, location .. It's in Yorkshire
- Before I was disabled- the countryside markets and the arts.
- the countryside and the people
- Friendliness of people
- good place to live
- The down to earth positive spirit of the place.
- A progressive council -diversity of the population- its labour history and its countryside, hills and moorland
- Proximity to other cities, multi-cultural, university
- Being a part of God's ONE Church worldwide
- I've always felt at home here.
- The scenery and countryside
- Multicultural diversity.
- The beautiful countryside
- The great countryside
- the community and very much the street within which we live
- The wide mix of people
- Countryside
- I love that it's a cultural melting pot and there is good community cohesion
- Living in Huddersfield
- The community
- It's where I'm from
- Feeling that I belong here. Both my neighbourhood and my town have their own character.
- Libraries and Museums
- The green parts
- Relative ease of travel
- Being with my family and friends
- Stone built houses , mills , hills , stone walls
- Good access to highly characteristic countryside.
- lovely countryside
- The community spirit.
- So many things to do and such a mixed community.
- Handy for town and country and cultural events.
- the beautiful scenery
- It is in Yorkshire...
- It's close to where I work
- Family & friends
- very little at the moment
- Rural spaces. Road and rail Network to cities.
- Knowing that one day I will leave it!!
- greenhead park
- The people
- Countryside
- Some great surrounding countryside
- Mix of town and country
- Proximity to exciting cities nearby while being able to live in lovely countryside
- The people
- good blend of town and countryside
- Nothing
- The hills and the friendliness
- its geographical position
- Countryside
- The landscape
- knowing the grass must be greener on the other side

- Community and countryside
- The Scenery
- It is a friendly no fuss place and it is surrounded by beautiful countryside
- It's surroundings - countryside and cities
- Park spaces and leisure facilities
- Good local services, excellent transport connections, fascinating industrial history, stunning geography.
- Huddersfield
- familiarity
- the fact that you don,t have far to go to be in the countryside.
- Good place to be based to go out and about
- Landscape
- Parkrun at Greenhead Park
- centrally placed to be able to commute easily
- Good classical music and the arts
- living in Longwood
- Living in Batley xx
- Countryside, and Kirklees' custodianship of our special places
- The rural area where I live
- the people