



holme valley vision



### Belonging in the Area

- 76% of you agree that the Holme Valley is a good place to grow up
- Only 42% of you want to stay and live in the Valley as you get older
- Only 27% of you want to get a job in the Valley
- 76% agree that improving the look of the environment within the Valley is important to you (45% said very important)
- 74% of you believe that young people having a local voice on the Valley's development is important to its future (41% very important)
- 73% of you want to see adults recognise your contributions to the community
- 69% of you want to be responsible for your own facilities

### Housing and Support

- 84% of you said help to get unemployed parents and carers into work was important to the economic wellbeing of the Valley

- 72% think affordable, suitable homes for young people are important to encourage them to stay local in the future
- 66% of you think that providing appropriate training to encourage young people to stay and work in the Valley is important to its future

### Retail Facilities

- 80% of you want more shops for young people (48% of you think this is very important)
- 73% of you want to see the Holmfirth Riverside tidied up and developed (42% of you think this is very important)
- 71% of you think it is important that we support local shops that in turn support our local trades and agriculture
- 61% of you want us to support our local shops and not encourage big chains or supermarkets into the area



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### What is Holme Valley Vision all about?

Holme Valley Vision is a project run by residents and community groups to give everyone living in the Holme Valley a chance to have a real say in shaping the Valley's future.

The project has three phases and will end in the delivery of a community plan.

The first phase consists of three surveys. Two surveys of over 1,000 young people and nearly 100 local businesses have already been completed and the third survey—of adult residents—will start in the Autumn.

The results of the young people's survey is available on our web site – [www.holmevalleyvision.org](http://www.holmevalleyvision.org)—and the general findings are summarised in this leaflet.

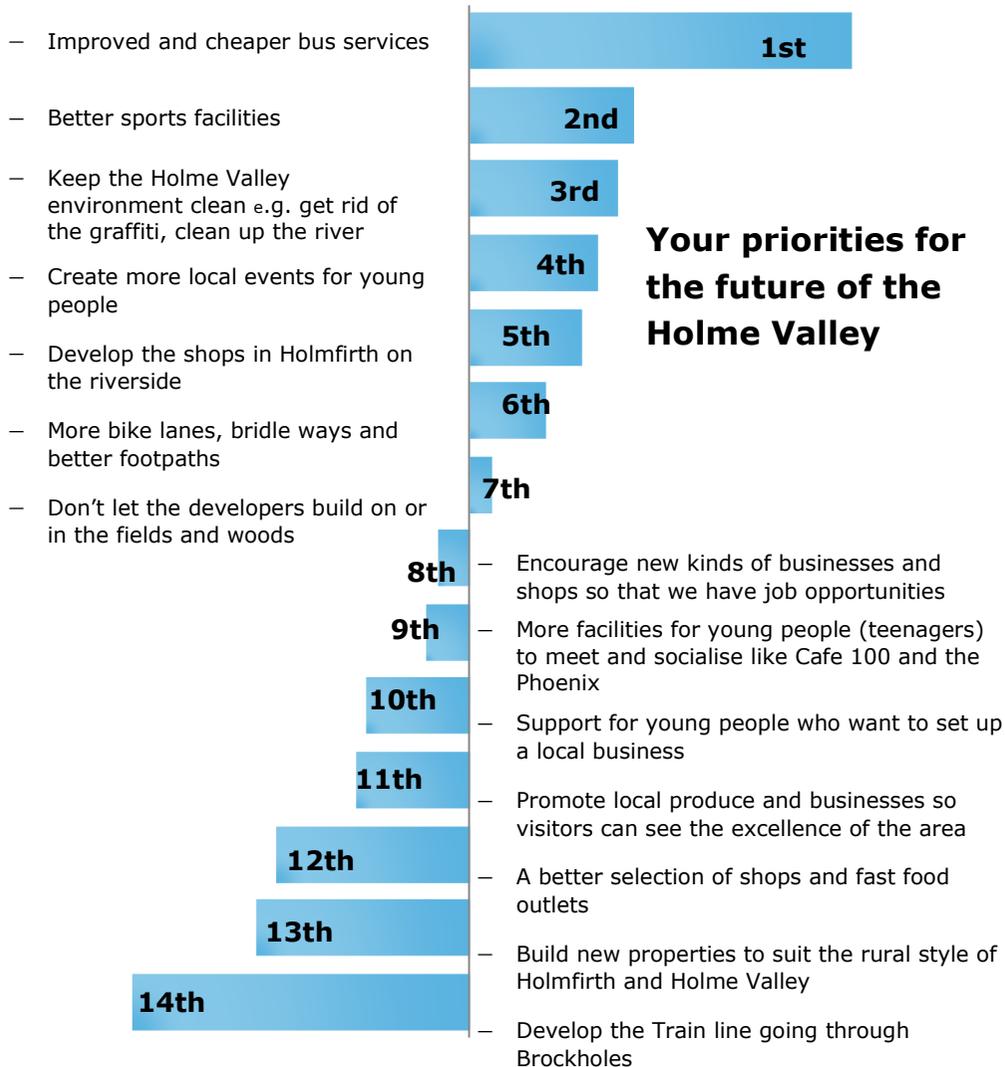
The surveys have been designed to highlight what matters most to people and which aspects of life in the Valley need to be tackled.

The second phase will be the development of the community plan, designed to deal with our priorities, in our own ways and you can join in that now.

### Who was involved in the Young People's Survey?

The survey was completed by young people at Holmfirth and Honley High Schools, Cafe 100, The Jobcentre Plus and through Kirklees Social Services Youth teams.

In total 1027 of you completed the survey on line, split almost equally between boys and girls. Age wise, you responded from age 11 to 18 and we received answers to our questions from young people living across the whole of the Holme Valley area.



## Health and Wellbeing

- 88% of you agree that being healthy is really important to you
- 81% of you agree that having access to cheap local healthy food is important
- 77% of you think you are fit and active enough for someone of your age
- 74% of you would use the leisure facilities more if they were cheaper
- 71% of you would also use them more if they were closer to your home
- 72% of you would use local health services more if they were young person friendly
- 71% of you think there needs to be more support for young people dealing with debt worries
- 69% of you want more places just to hang out with your friends
- 60% of you agree that young people need more help to improve their mental wellbeing

## Staying Safe

- 68% of you would feel safer if you could report crime anonymously
- 51% of you agree, there are areas in your neighbourhood where you feel threatened by other young people
- 49% of you often feel intimidated by other people or groups when you go out
- 49% of you would feel safer if there were stricter controls on young people drinking alcohol when you go out

## Transport

- 83% of you think cheaper public transport would encourage you to use local facilities more
- 72% of you want more bus routes to get around the local area
- 69% of you want buses to run later in the Valley
- 68% of you want more parking

*Things can change*

*Your help is invaluable*