

Feedback from Saltaire Questionnaire

Saltaire Farmers' Market – 20 February 2010

64 people gave their views. Of those, 8 live either on the boundaries of Saltaire, either in Shipley or Nab Wood, and one was visiting from Reading.

What is good about Saltaire?

Good sense of community /friendly x 21	(33%)
Shops and cafes x 19	(30%)
Good transport links x 14	(22%)
Salts Mill x 14	(22%)
Historic village and heritage x 12	(19%)
Farmers' market x 12	(19%)
Located near countryside x 9	(14%)

Architecture x 7
Attractive place x 7
Being a village/village feel x 6
Saltaire Festival x 6
Canal and river x 6
Roberts Park x 5
Got everything you need x 5
Upbeat place/ buzz x 4
Arty community x 3
Safe streets x 3
Easy access to library and swimming baths x 2
Located near Bradford/Leeds x 2
Saltaire Inspired x 2
Local Co-op x 2
Fanny's pub x 2
Maria Glot tours x 2
Self contained x 1
Own identity x 1
Shipley College x 1

Which of the following concerns you the most? (10 people did not respond)

Traffic and parking	27
Activities to bring community together	22
Things for young people to do	20
Dirty streets – litter/dog poo	19
More green spaces for allotments	19
Being healthy/keeping fit	12
Safe places for children to play	11
Crime and anti social behaviour	10
Keeping your home warm for less	9
Activities for older people	4
Help to get work/training	0
Benefits/debt advice	0

If you had to choose your top 4 concerns, what would they be?

Traffic and parking	26
Activities to bring community together	15
Dirty streets – litter/dog poo	14
More green spaces for allotments	11
Crime and anti social behaviour	8
Safe places for children to play	6
Things for young people to do	6
Keeping your home warm for less	5
Being healthy/keeping fit	3
Activities for older people	1
Benefits/debt advice	0
Help to get work/training	0

Do you think that children and young people should be encouraged to learn about and visit Saltaire as a World Heritage Site? (due to an error, this question did not appear on every questionnaire)

Yes 28 No 0

Any other concerns about Saltaire?

Trees on Victoria Road

Health hazard. Roots have turned up the pavements and the fallen leaves make them slippery. More appropriate trees should be planted and properly maintained x 2
Don't remove the trees on Victoria Road x 3

Saltaire roundabout

The proposals are just tinkering with the problem. It needs a tunnel x 2
Very congested x 10
Concerned about solutions to traffic problems x 1
Frightening! x 1
Concerned that new roundabout proposals will cause rat run traffic through top section of George Street x 1
Zebra crossing is really dangerous x 1

Traffic

Saltaire being used as a rat run. Speeding cars along Titus Street x 2
Traffic speeding through village, particularly on Caroline Street x 1
Too much traffic - hard to get in and out of Saltaire x 5
Lack of council funding to deal with traffic problems/planning regs x 1
Concerned that solutions to traffic problems takes green spaces away x 1
Traffic speeds up Victoria Road x 4
Boy racers from Hirstwood and Wycliffe charging round streets particularly in evenings and weekends x 2

Parking

Can't park outside house on Jane Street x 1

Not enough parking x 3

Used as a parking lot during the day and evening. Parking on the pavement – very difficult for wheelchair users/prams

Drugs

Young people in parked cars in the health mill car park smoking weed and possibly dealing drugs x 1

Farmers Market

The publicity says it's open until 3 but closes at 1.30 x 1

Important for the market to stay x 1

Shops and cafes

The empty shop units look scruffy x 2

Need to ensure that real shops are opened – bakers, butchers etc. Don't want gift shops x 1

Problem of noise outside Don't Tell Titus – broken glass, pools of sick outside.

People noisy on leaving late at night x 2

Allotments

More allotments for locals x 2

Lighting

Poor street lighting x 1

Lighting at top of Victoria Road – dark and dangerous particularly for women or disabled people x 1

Streets and Housing

Problem with chewing gum x 1

Shops like Kentucky Fried Chicken mean that people throw rubbish into people's gardens x 2

Problem with uneven pavements, particularly near Almshouses (but don't lose the trees!) x 1

Wheelie bins are too big and are left on streets x 2

No grants for houses x 1

Transport

Very big step up to get on trains at station – platform needs raising x 1

Community Activities

Saltaire Festival clashes with Otley Folk Festival and model railway exhibition x 2

Lack of community focal point x 1

Tourist Info

Need a visitors' centre x 4

World Heritage Status should be promoted more x 1

Not enough publicity about Saltaire x 1

Better signage needed x 1

No investment for world heritage status x 1

Learning about Saltaire

The museum service has no specific role in Saltaire but works by extension from the Industrial Museum. More links are needed with groups in Saltaire to use Bracken Hall, Shipley College archives, Shipley Stores (now reroofed) to build up knowledge and current understanding of Saltaire as WHS and a living community

Crime

Cars have been broken into and some burglaries. Saltaire is seen as an attractive place for crime x 2

What would help to improve the area where you live?

World Heritage Site and Tourism

Visitor Information Centre x 2

Improve signage for visitors to World Heritage Site x 2

Use mobile phone game for Saltaire visits (amicitias.com) x 1

Maintain heritage x 1

Don't compromise Saltaire with new development x 1

Traffic and parking

Improvements to Saltaire roundabout x 3

Improve car parking x 1

More parking wardens x 1

Extend permit parking x 1 without residents having to pay x 1

20 mph zone throughout village x 1

Park and ride x 1

More for cyclists – cycle lockers at station x 1

Closing Rossendale place to stop rat run x 1

Try to reduce traffic at peak times by encouraging more children to walk to school – walking bus schemes x 2

Traffic calming measures x 1

More trains x 1

Housing and streets

Need for funding to get double glazing up to heritage standard – we rent in Saltaire but are looking to buy elsewhere because of the high heating costs x 2

Funding for insulation and replacing windows x1

More alternative forms of energy – heat pumps, solar energy, wind power x 1

Need bins for chewing gum x 1

Improve lighting x 1

Crime

Increasing police presence on neighbouring estates and activities for young people to distract them from crime x 1

Roberts Park

Park ranger for Roberts Park x 1

Live music in the park for local young musicians and facilities for them to practice x 1

Lively programme of events for the park x 1
Keeping on top of graffiti in park x 2

Shops and facilities

Real ale at Don't tell Titus x 1
Be good to have a local bank or a mobile service x 1
More shops should be open on Bank Holidays as Saltaire is a tourist destination x 1

Learning about Saltaire

A learning village ethos through a learning development partnership valuing the experiences of residents and encouraging them to work together to strengthen Saltaire's identity and cultural offerings. X 1

Community activities

Support for the Half Moon project x 1
More activities for children x 1
More community activities spread throughout the year x 1
Keep focus on the arts x 1