



Handbook



Thank you for agreeing to be part of Dudley's first People's Panel.

Subject

The topic you will be looking at is the future of Dudley and Brierley Hill town centres.

Why?

The way we spend time in town centres has changed. People no longer go into town to get all of their shopping.

We need to think about what we can do to make sure that our town centres survive and thrive.

THE QUESTION:

What can communities and the Council do together to make Dudley and Brierley Hill town centres places that are vibrant, welcoming and somewhere we are proud of?

How will we know we are making a difference in: 12 months; 3 years; by 2030?





What will you be doing?

Don't worry, you don't need to do anything in advance. All we require from you is that you give your time to listen to the information available and share your opinions with us and your fellow residents.

Together with around 50 other members of the public you will spend four days hearing evidence about and discussing:

- the two town centres, as they are today
- what regeneration is already planned
- what has worked elsewhere
- who needs to be involved to make effective changes
- what other information you need to help you make decisions.

As a group you will then make recommendations to Dudley Council.

Where and when

Saturday 2 November and Sunday 3 November

9.30am - 5pm

The Copthorne Hotel, Merry Hill
The Waterfront, Level Street
Brierley Hill DY5 1UR

Saturday 30 November and Sunday 1 December

9.30am - 5pm

Dudley College
The Broadway
Dudley DY1 4AS

How to get there

Copthorne Merry Hill

By bus - the number 8 bus stops at Level Street, Merry Hill. From here it is a few minutes walk.

By car - there is free parking on site, subject to availability. Whether you park your car, or are dropped off by car, you will need to put your car registration into a computer terminal at reception.

Dudley College, Broadway

By bus - visit www.networkwestmidlands.com for all buses.

The college is accessed by bus stops on Ednam Road and Priory Road. Dudley Bus Station is situated within a 10 minute walk and provides access to more bus services.

By car - there is free parking on site.

Contact details

If you have any questions, require help, or need to cancel, please contact:

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For more information about the People's Panel, please visit www.dudley.gov.uk/peoples-panel