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A spacewoman dropped in among Halifax shoppers to find out whether the people of Calderdale believed in aliens.

The spacewoman, alias researcher Poppy Stevenson, asked people if they thought an invasion of Earth by aliens was possible.

The nationwide poll is being organised by a Kent publishing company. It plans to send the results of Battlefield Earth Survey to the House of Lords where the Unidentified Flying Object Study Group will investigate them.

The survey, which finishes in two months' time, will visit 150 towns and cities throughout the country.