

# Since I've Been Around

The Waifs

Walking down the main street  
Of the town where I was born  
Looking at these things I've seen  
So many times before  
I take a deep breath, smile  
And kick a stone along the ground  
Been so long, since I've been around

There's comfort in the way  
That everything still looks the same  
People that I bump into  
They call me by my name  
It almost feels as though  
I never even left this town  
Been so long, since I've been around

My girlfriend lived on Hawdon Street  
Man was she a sight  
Sometimes I would sneak  
Into her bedroom late at night  
Now she's not there  
I'm told her family  
Long since left the town  
Been so long, since I've been around

Yeah many of my friends found  
Some other place they'd rather be  
But I still know of one good mate,  
She gonna keep me company  
I think I'm gonna call her up,  
We'll go and paint the town  
Been so long, since I've been around

I stopped on by her place,  
Years ago I knew her well  
Let's go drink to old times  
At the Adelaide Hotel  
She said it's twenty years now  
Since they shut that old pub down  
Been so long, since I've been around

Yeah but the hospital's still standing,  
Down over by the river shore  
That's the place where I took my  
First breath, so many years before  
I take a deep breath now and feel  
My chest begin to pound  
Been so long, since I've been around

Now I'm lying by the river  
Feeling lazy in the shade  
Children shout and splash about  
In water where I played  
And I'm thinking I could stay a while,  
Maybe settle down  
Been so long, since I've been around  
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