# **Responses to Comments on the Publication Draft Sheffield Plan Policies Map**

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| **Plan Document**  | **Main Issues Summary Comment** | **Council response**  | **Potential to Change Plan?** | **Comment reference** | **Respondent Name** |
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| Policies Map | The Policies Map should reflect the references in T1 to show the Barrow Hill Line and indicative locations of proposed stations.  | Policies SP1 and T1 include support for local rail upgrades and re-opening where this is viable. Additional reference will be added to Policy SP1, T1 and SA2, SA5 and SA8 to support the future re-opening of the Don Valley line and Barrow Hill line.  | Yes | PDSP.015.020 | South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority |
| Policies Map | Site allocations should be clearer on Policies Map.  | Due to the number of designations on the Policies Map, plus limitations in symbology within the online mapping tools, balances in graphical representation have been necessary. However, improvements in clarity will be investigated. | Yes | PDSP.046.011 | Hft (Submitted by ID Planning) |
| Policies Map | Green Belt boundary amendment to reflect features on the ground.  | Accept proposed change – it corrects a minor anomaly in the boundary. | Yes | PDSP.047.001 | Ideal Developments Ltd |
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| Policies Map | Green Belt boundary amendment to reflect features on the ground.  | Accept proposed change – it corrects a minor anomaly in the boundary. | Yes | PDSP.047.003 | Ideal Developments Ltd |
| Policies Map | Green Belt boundary amendment to reflect features on the ground.  | Accept proposed change – it corrects a minor anomaly in the boundary. | Yes | PDSP.047.004 | Ideal Developments Ltd |
| Policies Map | Duplicate comment. Consultee proposes release of land from the Green Belt at Spa Lane, Woodhouse.  | No change needed. The spatial strategy utilises the land available taking account of the need to ensure sustainable patterns of development. Exceptional circumstances do not exist to alter the Green Belt boundary (with the exception of Norton Aerodrome). | No | PDSP.065.010 | Mr R Cooling (Submitted by DLP Planning Limited) |
| Policies Map | Comment is the online form submission of comment PDSP.066. proposing release of land from the Green Belt at Moorview Golf Driving Range.  | No change needed online form related to separate email submission. No change needed. The spatial strategy utilises the land available taking account of the need to ensure sustainable patterns of development. Exceptional circumstances do not exist to alter the Green Belt boundary (with the exception of Norton Aerodrome). | No | PDSP.066.024 | Mr T Kelsey - Landowner of Moorview Golf Driving Range (Submitted by DLP Planning Limited) |
| Policies Map | The area at Savile Street/Spital Hill should be designated as a General Employment Zone rather than a Flexible Use Zone, to allow for a self-storage facility.  | The site is in an accessible and prominent location, it would benefit from the flexibility of potential future uses that a Flexible Use Zone designation presents.  | No | PDSP.082.001 | Tesco Stores (Submitted by Redline Planning) |
| Policies Map | The University supports the Local Plan in highlighting the strategic importance of the Advanced Manufacturing Innovation District, but we are working closely with Sheffield Technology Parks and Sheffield Hallam University to propose a distinctive city-centre based incubation and innovation region in the area between The University of Sheffield campus and West Bar - running down Broad Lane and Tenter Street. We are currently referring to as the Sheffield Innovation Spine.  | The Spatial Strategy, Policy Zones and Sub Area policies support the Sheffield Innovation Spine, so there is no need to provide further information on the Policies Map. | No | PDSP.086.069 | University of Sheffield (Submitted by DLP Planning Limited) |
| Policies Map | Comment is supportive of the University/College Zone designation as well as the designation to be an area suitable for Purpose Built Student Accommodation. However, states that the site (Land and Buildings at Leavygreave Road) could support a taller building addressing need in the City Centre, as well as reflecting existing scale of neighbouring tall buildings such as the Information Commons and the Arts Tower. Comment also highlights that there is an opportunity under permitted developments recently introduced for purpose-built apartments to be extended upwards by two storeys, subject to a range of criteria.  | Support welcomed and noted. The Sheffield Central Area Strategy Capacity Report is consistent with national policy and provides a robust basis to set an appropriate height datum for each City Centre Character Area. Any further detail on future proposals and extending existing building heights will be dealt with at application stage. | No | PDSP.086.070 | University of Sheffield (Submitted by DLP Planning Limited) |
| Policies Map | Comment is supportive of Flexible Use Zone allocation as well as being identified as an area suitable for Purpose Built Student Accommodation. Comment notes that the site has also been designated as being within the Nighttime Quiet Area for the Devonshire Quarter. Believes that there is a need for taller buildings in the City Centre and the site would provide an opportunity under permitted developments recently introduced for purpose-built apartments to be extended upwards by two storeys, subject to a range of criteria.  | Support welcomed and noted. The Sheffield Central Area Strategy Capacity Report is consistent with national policy and provides a robust basis to set an appropriate height datum for each City Centre Character Area. Any further detail on future proposals and extending existing buildings heights will be dealt with at application stage. | No | PDSP.086.071 | University of Sheffield (Submitted by DLP Planning Limited) |
| Policies Map | The Sheffield Innovation Spine will perfectly support the Economic Growth priorities including: providing sufficient high-quality land to meet the city’s employment needs which will support social inclusion and promote development that will provide new jobs, particularly well-paid, skilled work for local people in locations that can be easily accessed on foot, by cycle or by public transport (paragraph 3.10). The companies that locate within the spine will ultimately contribute more above average income jobs within the growth sector highlighted in the economic growth plan (paragraph 3.11).  | Support welcomed and noted.See also response to comment PDSP.086.069. | No | PDSP.086.072 | University of Sheffield (Submitted by DLP Planning Limited) |
| Policies Map | Object to the designation of the Local Geological Site adjacent to The Octagon as it impacts on future expansion of the University complex. Lack of evidence to justify designation.  | No change needed. Site G613 The Octagon Centre (Grenoside Sandstone) Geological Site was proposed as a Local Geological Site by Sheffield Area Geological Trust and designated by Sheffield City Council in 2013.  |  No | PDSP.086.073 | University of Sheffield (Submitted by DLP Planning Limited) |
| Policies Map | This site has been identified as University/College Zone which is suitable for Purpose Built Student Accommodation and within the BBEST Neighbourhood Plan area. We broadly support this policy designation.  | No change needed. The Council welcomes support for this policy designation. | No | PDSP.086.074 | University of Sheffield (Submitted by DLP Planning Limited) |
| Policies Map | Support the site allocation at Broomspring Lane on the proviso that a number of trees are removed and replacement planting undertaken.  | Note and welcome the support. Development proposals will take into account any constraints on the site. | No | PDSP.086.075 | University of Sheffield (Submitted by DLP Planning Limited) |
| Policies Map | The current use and policy designation at Northumberland Road Car Park is supported. | Note and welcome the support. | No | PDSP.086.076 | University of Sheffield (Submitted by DLP Planning Limited) |
| Policies Map | Propose to include site at SITraN within the University/College Zone.  | No change proposed. Policy Zones do not prevent current operational uses; any future proposals will be dealt with at application stage. | No | PDSP.086.077 | University of Sheffield (Submitted by DLP Planning Limited) |
| Policies Map | The remainder of the SHU site has been designated as an ‘Area for Purpose Built Student Accommodation. We believe this is entirely inappropriate and wrong as it fails to acknowledge the site is occupied by 10 large, listed buildings, 2 of them very large so there is insufficient space to erect Purpose Built Student Accommodation blocks.  | The Policy Zone and Policy EC8 take a general approach to the University/College areas. Purpose Built Student Accommodation is generally appropriate in these Zones but would have to comply with design and conservation policies in the Plan. | No | PDSP.097.001 | Broomhall Park Association |
| Policies Map | Importance of pedestrian permeability through the Sheffield Hallam University (SHU) site for local access. Would like to see the cycle and pedestrian route extended along Broomhall Road through the SHU campus to reach the Botanical Gardens at the top of Southgrove Road.  | Policy T1 sets out the priorities for delivering sustainable travel, aligned with the priorities confirmed in the Sheffield Transport Strategy and South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority Active Travel Implementation Plan.  | No | PDSP.097.002 | Broomhall Park Association |
| Policies Map | Importance of pedestrian permeability through the Sheffield Hallam University (SHU) site for local access. Would like to see the cycle and pedestrian route extended along Broomhall Road through the SHU campus to reach the Botanical Gardens at the top of Southgrove Road.  | Policy T1 sets out the priorities for delivering sustainable travel, aligned with the priorities confirmed in the Sheffield Transport Strategy and South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority Active Travel Implementation Plan.  | No | PDSP.097.003 | Broomhall Park Association |
| Policies Map | The remainder of the Sheffield Hallam University (SHU) site has been designated as an 'Area for Purpose Built Student Accommodation'. This is entirely inappropriate and wrong as it fails to acknowledge the site is occupied by 10 large, listed buildings, 2 of them very large so there is insufficient space to erect purpose built student blocks.  | The Policy Zone and Policy EC8 take a general approach to the University/College areas. Purpose Built Student Accommodation is generally appropriate in these Zones. | No | PDSP.097.004 | Broomhall Park Association |
| Policies Map | With regard to the land bordered by Ecclesall Road in the south, Park Lane and Clarkehouse Road to the north, Collegiate Crescent to the east and Broomgrove Road to the west, the proposed designation of "Area for Purpose Built Student Accommodation" needs reconsideration taking into account the listed status of the Victorian buildings, the TPOs, the Conservation Area and the limited development spaces.  | No change needed. The impacts of any future Purpose Built Student Accommodation scheme would be assessed against the proposed development management policies within the Plan. These policies will provide sufficient protection/consideration of designated and non-designated heritage assets. | No | PDSP.097.005 | Broomhall Park Association |
| Policies Map | With regard to the land bordered by Ecclesall Road in the south, Park Lane and Clarkehouse Road to the north, Collegiate Crescent to the east and Broomgrove Road to the west, the proposed designation of "Area for Purpose Built Student Accommodation" needs reconsideration taking into account the listed status of the Victorian buildings, the TPOs, the Conservation Area and the limited development spaces.  | No change needed. The impacts of any future Purpose Built Student Accommodation scheme would be assessed against the proposed development management policies within the Plan. These policies will provide sufficient protection/consideration of designated and non-designated heritage assets. | No | PDSP.097.006 | Broomhall Park Association |
| Policies Map | Extend the National Cycle Route 6 (NCR6) and cycle route along Broomhall Road through the Sheffield Hallam University campus to reach the Botanical Gardens at the top of Southgrove Road.  | Policy T1 sets out the priorities for delivering sustainable travel, aligned with the priorities confirmed in the Sheffield Transport Strategy and South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority Active Travel Implementation Plan.  | No | PDSP.097.007 | Broomhall Park Association |
| Policies Map | Extend the National Cycle Route 6 (NCR6) and cycle route along Broomhall Road through the Sheffield Hallam University campus to reach the Botanical Gardens at the top of Southgrove Road.  | Policy T1 sets out the priorities for delivering sustainable travel, aligned with the priorities confirmed in the Sheffield Transport Strategy and South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority Active Travel Implementation Plan.  | No | PDSP.097.008 | Broomhall Park Association |
| Policies Map | Requests that land on Collegiate Crescent be designated as a Local Green Space.  | Acknowledge the request for this land to be designated as a Local Green Space. The land is designated as Urban Greenspace Zone and lies within the Conservation Area. No change needed. | No | PDSP.097.009 | Broomhall Park Association |
| Policies Map | Requests that land on Park Lane be designated as a Local Green Space.  | Acknowledge the request for this land to be designated as a Local Green Space. The land is designated as Urban Greenspace Zone and lies within the Conservation Area. No change needed. | No | PDSP.097.010 | Broomhall Park Association |
| Policies Map | Requests that land on Collegiate Crescent be designated as a Local Green Space.  | Acknowledge the request for this land to be designated as a Local Green Space. The land is designated as Urban Greenspace Zone and lies within the Conservation Area. No change needed.  | No | PDSP.097.011 | Broomhall Park Association |
| Policies Map | Requests that land on Park Lane be designated as a Local Green Space.  | Acknowledge the request for this land to be designated as a Local Green Space. The land is designated as Urban Greenspace Zone and lies within the Conservation Area. No change needed. | No | PDSP.097.012 | Broomhall Park Association |
| Policies Map | Requests Local Green Space designation status for land at Montague Street.  | Acknowledge the request for this land to be designated as a Local Green Space. The land is designated as Urban Greenspace Zone. No change needed.  | No | PDSP.098.001 | Cemetery Road Action Group  |
| Policies Map | Response welcomes additions to the Green Belt (Acorn Hill) which border woodland which is both a Local Wildlife Site and Geological Site of Special Scientific Interest.  | Welcome support. | No | PDSP.104.009 | Friends of the Loxley Valley |
| Policies Map | The Collegiate Campus has been designated for “purpose built student accommodation “. This is completely inappropriate as the site is within a Conservation Area and contains a number of listed buildings. We request that the designation of “purpose built student accommodation” is deleted from the Sheffield Plan.  | The Policy Zone and Policy EC8 take a general approach to the University/College areas. Purpose Built Student Accommodation is generally appropriate in these Zones. | No | PDSP.107.001 | Groves Residents Group |
| Policies Map | Requests that Lynwood Gardens in Broomhall be protected as a greenspace.  | Acknowledge the request for this land to be designated as a Local Green Space. The land is proposed to be designated as an Urban Greenspace Zone, Local Wildlife Site and as a Historic Park, Garden or Cemetery, which reflects the importance of retaining this land as a greenspace. No change needed. | No | PDSP.107.002 | Groves Residents Group |
| Policies Map | Need to designate the list of Areas of Special Character as Conservation Areas.  | No change. Any review of Conservation Areas and the designation process would progress outside of the Local Plan process as a distinct piece of work.  | No | PDSP.116.061 | Joined Up Heritage Sheffield |
| Policies Map | Boundaries on online Policies Map coincide. Sub-area and Priority/Catalyst location maps need to be improved.  | There are software limitations on representations on the online Policies Map. The online map allows layers to be turned on/off so that overlapping boundaries can be seen clearly. The ‘identify’ (double click) feature also identifies for a user which layers are relevant at a certain point and highlights each layer for the user. Sub Area maps include references such as neighbourhood names, district centres, railways, tram routes, major roads and waterways to aid reference. Priority location and Catalyst maps are indicative of potential area layouts. More detailed maps are available within the supporting Priority Neighbourhood Frameworks document. | No | PDSP.116.104 | Joined Up Heritage Sheffield |
| Policies Map | Requests that all maps depicting the Central Sub Area and 6 Character Neighbourhoods should be less busy/more legible. Or should be produced on a larger scale in a PDF format.  | Noted. On the interactive Policies Maps all layers can be viewed in isolation which should help with comprehension. The Sheffield City Centre Priority Neighbourhood Frameworks document also includes more in-depth maps of the proposed neighbourhoods, Catalyst Sites and Priority Locations. | No | PDSP.116.105 | Joined Up Heritage Sheffield |
| Policies Map | Need to designate the list of Areas of Special Character as Conservation Areas.  | No change. Any review of Conservation Areas and the designation process would progress outside of the Local Plan process as a distinct piece of work.  |  No | PDSP.116.106 | Joined Up Heritage Sheffield |
| Policies Map | Objects to redesignation of site NWS04 from allotments to industrial.  | No change needed. Strategic policy BG1 and development management policies GS1 to GS11 ensure the city's blue and green infrastructure is protected from inappropriate development. Valuable allotments are normally designated within Urban Green Space Zones and are protected from inappropriate development by policy GS1. Site NWS04 is privately owned and are now declared as being surplus to requirements. The Plan has no powers to insist on a private landowner maintaining the existing use of the site once it becomes surplus to requirements. The site has therefore been allocated as a Strategic Employment Site, which is the most appropriate alternative use in that location.  | No | PDSP.121.038 | Regather |
| Policies Map | The area of "Land that is Safeguarded for Flood Storage" in the Rivelin Valley should be removed from the Plan. This designation would require the building of a significant embankment across the valley, and associated infrastructure, that would have a major adverse impact on the biodiversity, public recreation, heritage and landscape.  | Policy GS9 restricts future development that may have an adverse impact on the ability of Land that is Safeguarded for Flood Storage to operate as flood storage. The Plan does not set any specific requirements or site allocations for future flood alleviation works. Any works such of these would be subject to separate consultation with the community and would need to pass through the planning application process.  | No | PDSP.122.009 | Rivelin Valley Conservation Group |
| Policies Map | The existing cycle and footpath route through Hutcliffe Woods from Abbey Lane to Hutcliffe Wood Road recently constructed by the Council is not shown on the Policy Map.  | This should be added to the map. | Yes | PDSP.125.021 | Sheaf and Porter Rivers Trust |
| Policies Map | The Policies Map should include a cohesive and extensive network of active travel routes throughout the city of Sheffield, not just the city centre.  | Policy T1 sets out the priorities for delivering sustainable travel, aligned with the priorities confirmed in the Sheffield transport strategy and South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority active travel implementation plan. | No | PDSP.130.009 | Sheffield CTC and Cycle Sheffield |
| Policies Map | Support non allocation of Green Belt site at Hepworth's in the Loxley Valley.  | Support is noted.  | No | PDSP.136.003 | Sheffield Swift Network |
| Policies Map | The public trails along waterways (e.g. the Upper Don Trail) should be shown more clearly and more consistently on the Policies Map.  | Showing every trail on the Policies Map would be overly detailed. However, relevant Sub-Area policies should be amended to refer to extending and enhancing active travel routes along one bank of the Main Rivers wherever practicable and where it is consistent with biodiversity and heritage objectives. | Yes | PDSP.151.006 | Upper Don Trail Trust |
| Policies Map | The Green Belt should be extended to include land at Coldwell Lane and Manchester Road at Crosspool.  | Exceptional circumstances do not exist to alter the Green Belt boundary in that location | No | PDSP.158.001 | Crookes & Crosspool Branch Labour Party |
| Policies Map | The strategic routes map does not match proposed HGV routes. B roads should not be used for HGVs. They should only use A roads. This specifically applies to the B6068 Abbey Lane.  | The Strategic Heavy Goods Vehicle routes network is an existing designation, approved by Sheffield City Council. No changes to that are proposed in the Local Plan. | No | PDSP.179.001 | Ange |
| Policies Map | The base map on paper map is not of good enough quality.  | Policies map is based on the best available Ordnance Survey base-mapping that was available to the Council in digital format. The base map could be changed if other mapping becomes available. | No | PDSP.260.025 | Jan Symington |
| Policies Map | Areas of High Landscape Value should be included within the Plan.  | These areas are provided sufficient protection via the proposed Green Belt and Landscape policies. | No | PDSP.260.026 | Jan Symington |
| Policies Map | Areas of Special Character should be included within the Plan.  | No change. Any review of Conservation Areas and the designation process with a view to designating more areas would progress outside of the Local Plan process as a distinct piece of work. | No | PDSP.260.027 | Jan Symington |
| Policies Map | Green Belt should not be amended.  | The Green Belt Review has identified areas to be amended where anomalies exist, for example as a result of development since its adoption. Changes to the Green Belt through the Local Plan process would not weaken the policy status of any areas of land that remain within the (updated) Green Belt. | No | PDSP.260.028 | Jan Symington |
| Policies Map | Add areas of Loxley Valley to the Local Nature Reserve.  | Support is welcomed. However, additional designations of land as Local Nature Reserve/Local Wildlife Site is beyond the scope of the Local Plan. | No | PDSP.260.029 | Jan Symington |
| Policies Map | Would like to see further Local Wildlife Sites designated.  | Local Wildlife Sites designation/management sits outside of Local Plan process, although any boundary changes would be incorporated into future policy maps. | No  | PDSP.263.001 | Janet and Tobin Trevethick |
| Policies Map | Green Belt addition proposed at Bridle Stile. Plaque acknowledging historical significance of site adds evidence to suitability to be included in the Green Belt.  | No change needed. The historical status of land as a packhorse route does not add weight to the case for designating as Green Belt. Exceptional circumstances do not exist to alter the Green Belt boundary (with the exception of Norton Aerodrome). | No | PDSP.309.002 | Lyn Marlow |
| Policies Map | Submission of further evidence regarding Bridle Stile being of historical significance in 1767.  | Exceptional circumstances do not exist to alter the Green Belt boundary, other than where a sustainably located brownfield site is proposed for removal from the Green Belt to allow housing development, and to rectify minor anomalies. The land at Bridle Stile is designated as an Urban Green Space Zone and much of it is also designated as a Local Wildlife Site, so it has significant protection from built development in the Plan. | No | PDSP.309.003 | Lyn Marlow |
| Policies Map | No Issues raised. In full support of residential zones allocated.  | No change needed. Support welcome.  | No | PDSP.314.001 | mark44 |
| Policies Map | The area of "Land that is Safeguarded for Flood Storage" in the Rivelin Valley should be removed from the Plan. This designation would require the building of a significant embankment across the valley, and associated infrastructure, that would have a major adverse impact on the biodiversity, public recreation, heritage and landscape.  | Policy GS9 restricts future development that may have an adverse impact on the ability of Land that is Safeguarded for Flood Storage to operate as flood storage. The Plan does not set any specific requirements or site allocations for future flood alleviation works. Any works such of these would be subject to separate consultation with the community and would need to pass through the planning application process.  | No | PDSP.393.016 | Sue22 |
| Policies Map | The Plan does not consider increased fire risk for moorland areas such as Wadsley Common, as result of changes to water flow arising from drainage. Concerned that the Plan does not preserve water levels on higher ground to reduce fire risk and hold back flood water.  | This is considered beyond the scope of the Local Plan and is addressed through other Council initiatives such as the Sheffield Flood Risk Management Strategy and the delivery of specific flood protection schemes. | No | PDSP.394.001 | Sue57 |