

Representation on the Sheffield Plan Publication (Pre-Submission) Draft

Respondent details

Comment ID number: PDSP.177.001

What is your Name: Andy Buck

If you are making this representation as a member of an organisation, what is the name of your organisation:

N/A

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Document

Which document to you wish to make a representation on:

Part 1: Vision, Spatial Strategy, Sub-Area Policies and Site Allocations

Which section of the document is your representation on:

Policy CA4: City Arrival, Cultural Industries Quarter, Sheaf Valley

Which paragraph/site/map layer of the document is representation on:

N/A

Representation

Do you consider the Local Plan is legally compliant: Yes

Do you consider the Local Plan is sound: No

Do you consider the Local Plan complies with the duty to co-operate: Yes

Please give details of why you consider the Local Plan is not legally compliant or is unsound or fails to comply with the duty to co-operate:

There is no Character Area Plan for most of the Priority City Arrival Area where significant opportunities for deculverting, renaturalisation and connected public access are available along the Porter Brook.

Please set out the modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant and sound, in respect of any legal compliance or soundness matters you have identified above:

The Local Plan should be amended and strengthened in accordance with the observations I have made in response to Q8.

If your representation is seeking a modification to the plan, do you consider it necessary to participate in examination hearing session(s):

No, I do not wish to participate in hearing session(s)

If you wish to participate in the hearing session(s), please outline why you consider this to be necessary:

N/A

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Which document to you wish to make a representation on:

Part 1: Vision, Spatial Strategy, Sub-Area Policies and Site Allocations

Which section of the document is your representation on:

Policy BG1: Blue & Green Infrastructure

Which paragraph/site/map layer of the document is representation on:

N/A

Representation

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The Policy BG1 and accompanying plan 17 are unsound as they simply describe the existing green-blue network but do not propose a vision or strategy for improvement to connect or extend it. This is very disappointing as the declaration by the Council of the climate emergency and recognition of the accompanying biodiversity crisis ought to have led to much more ambitious policies in response. The goal should be immediate, major steps towards significantly extending the city's green and blue heritage. Particular priority should be given to extending the green-blue network into the city centre where most of the new housing is proposed in the Plan and where new and restored habitats and green spaces are most needed.

The supporting Character Area and Priority Housing Sites generally do not show existing riverside trails such as the River Sheaf or Porter Trails, current initiatives or future opportunities.

Reference is made to and reliance laid on the South Yorkshire Nature Recovery Strategy and its Natural Capital Maps but these are not publicly available.

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