

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

### Respondent details

**Comment ID number:** PDSP.214.001

**What is your Name:** DavidRS

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

N/A

**If you or your organisation are making a representation on behalf of another person, organisation or group, please tell us who it is and its role:**

N/A

### 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:**

Chapter 2: Vision, Aims, and Objectives

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

N/A

### Representation

**Do you consider the Local Plan is legally compliant:** No

**Do you consider the Local Plan is sound:** No

**Do you consider the Local Plan complies with the duty to co-operate:** No

**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:**

I question whether the Declaration of a Climate Emergency and the Net Zero status by 2030 provide a sound basis for the Plan. I do not consider the latter is achievable, but in the course of trying to achieve it many undemocratic decisions will be made, particularly in relation to housing and transport. These decisions will be very damaging to the local economy and the livelihoods of many people, more especially lower income groups.

Much of the Plan is based on out of date information with very little up to date information, and predates 2020. Since 2020 the pandemic, economic decline, energy supply costs and concerns, inflation and cost of living crisis all suggest that the balance between environment, economy and social issues needs revisiting.

The latest population data from the 2021 Census shows that the 2014 household population and household projections, (the basis for the Housing Strategy), are inaccurate and no longer relevant. Government needs to update the figures in the Housing Strategy with up to date projections. The expectation is that the population and household projections will be much lower than the 2014 ones, the pressure to build new housing will be lower, and the Green Belt can be fully protected. The aim to substantially reduce car use is unreasonable and undemocratic, especially at a time of declining public transport. Measures to reduce car use will lead to economic decline and hurt lower income groups.

**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 Housing Strategy needs to be based on a new ONS 2021 household projection once it becomes available.  
A much more realistic approach to the transport strategy is required, one that will command public support.

**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