

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

Respondent details

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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:

Sets city up to fail to meet legally binding commitments on air quality and climate change. Many of the aims appear to overlap leading to ambiguity and confusion - a legal document needs to be clear. For example, the terms sustainable and green are very flimsy terms for aims, open to interpretation and the subject of academic and political debates.

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:

It needs to be more strongly worded in terms of climate aims, this would be more helpful and more quantifiable than woolier terms like sustainable and green. 2038 is after the city needs to be net zero. Sheffield has 7 years left to meet its own net zero target. The Plan is weak and won't help meet the council's own 2030 target unless it is much, much more stringent in its explicit aim and subsequent documents. And the way climate physics works is delay now means sharper, deeper carbon cuts are needed in future - the plan therefore needs an accelerating mechanism built into it. With net zero in mind, any developments now cannot rely on high carbon transportation or need high energy input to heat or cool. The climate is changing and will bring extreme heat and storms - the city must develop to tackle these now via built environment that resists temperature extremes, otherwise health inequality will worsen.

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

Yes, I 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:

I have postgraduate degrees in Ecology and Environmental Management, Health Law and Ethics, and Human Disease Ecology. I am interested in any hearing sessions relating to climate or health aims.