

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

### Respondent details

**Comment ID number:** PDSP.228.001

**What is your Name:** Frances Potter

**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:**

Annex B: Parking Guidelines

**Which section of the document is your representation on:**

N/A

**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:**

I want to comment on how the plan should be improved to better meet duties to disabled people under the Equality Act. Specifically I think you should consider INCREASING the proportion of Accessible Parking beyond the bare minimum laid out in the draft plan.

The principle of using maximum/limited parking standards in urban area served well by frequent public transport or in sustainable locations is supported, subject to provision of sufficient car parking spaces for users with specific mobility requirements.

All new or amended developments must be required to demonstrate proportionate provision of "blue badge" or similar bays. This is a fundamental element of tackling

inequality in access to employment, services and residential uses. Such spaces should also be of sufficient dimensions to allow room for a disabled person to move around their vehicle and/or assemble and disassemble their wheelchair, walking aid, or any other mobility equipment they may have with them.

There is an understandable policy objective of dis-incentivising UNNECESSARY car use in the city. Also it is understood that you intend the plan to be INCLUSIVE. However, as disabled drivers often have no manageable alternatives, increasing the proportion of Accessible bays in new developments and throughout the city centre could meet both objectives.

**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:**

See above- increase requirements from 5% of spaces to 10-25% of spaces.

**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