

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

Respondent details

Comment ID number: PDSP.318.001

What is your Name: mattfalcon

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 4: Sheffield's Sub-Area Strategy

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: Yes

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 agree with designation of Bolehill Woods as a Local Green Space because this area needs the greatest protection possible.

As an area of ancient native woodland it is irreplaceable ecologically, supporting many protected and declining species. Woodland flora include the ancient woodland indicators English Bluebell, Wild Garlic and Yellow Archangel. Protected mammals include the bats Common Pipistrelle and Noctule, as well as Badgers and Hedgehogs. Birds include the declining Song Thrush, Bullfinch, Tawny Owl and Sparrowhawk.

In addition to its ecological significance, the site has great historical value. Records of the woodland's presence go back to at least the 1600s, with continuous documentation throughout the subsequent centuries.

Finally, the wood is of great value to the local community. It's accessible location and beautiful scenery means it used regularly for walks, dog-walking and wildlife-watching. This was particularly important during the covid pandemic, where many locals stated that Bolehill Wood was beneficial to their mental health.

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:

Not completed by respondent

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

Not completed by respondent

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

N/A