Shropshire Council: Shropshire Local Plan



Representation Form

Please complete a separate Part B Representation Form (this part) for each representation that you would like to make. One Part A Representation Form must be enclosed with your Part B Representation Form(s).

We have also published a separate Guidance Note to explain the terms used and to assist in making effective representations.

Part B: Representation

Name and Organisation:	Bernie Jones, Shrewsbury & Newport Canals Trust				
Q1. To which document does this representation relate?					
Regulation 19: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan					
Sustainability Appraisal of the Regulation 19: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan					
Habitats Regulations Assessment of the Regulation 19: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan (Please tick one box)					
Q2. To which part of the document does this representation relate?					
Paragraph: DP28 F	Policy: Transport Site: Policies Map:				
Q3. Do you consider the Regulation 19: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan is:					
A. Legally compliant	Yes: 🗹 No: 🗖				
B. Sound	Yes: No:				
C. Compliant with the Duty (Please tick as appropriate					

Q4. Please give details of why you consider the Regulation 19: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan is not legally compliant or is unsound or fails to comply with the duty to co-operate. Please be as precise as possible.

If you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the Regulation 19: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan or its compliance with the duty to co-operate, please also use this box to set out your comments.

Paragraph 3b states "extension or improvement of..... canals" But Shropshire Council has done neither. In fact, it has made things more difficult to do this. As an example, it granted planning permission to build a totally unsuitable bridge across the canal and to install sewage and water services across the canal's line at the Flaxmill development project. If only the vision to restore the canal, not only into the original terminus at the Butter Market, but from the villages of Withington, Upton Magna and Uffington into the county town, could be realised, this would provide increased tourism, increased income to the local economy, improved health and wellbeing and make a significant contribution to carbon reduction. Birmingham City Council did this 30 years ago at Gas Street Basin and look at the thriving businesses that have resulted, as well as the benefits listed above. Come on Shropshire Council, you really need to grasp this opportunity to do likewise and make this vision a reality.

Q5. Please set out the modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Regulation 19: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan legally compliant and sound, in respect of any legal compliance or soundness matters you have identified at Q4 above.

Please note that non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination. You will need to say why each modification will make the Regulation 19: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan legally compliant or sound. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible.

Put simply, modify this section to say "To undertake the complete restoration of the Shrewsbury Canal to its original terminus at the Butter Market."

(Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

Please note: In your representation you should provide succinctly all the evidence and supporting information necessary to support your representation and your suggested modification(s). You should not assume that you will have a further opportunity to make submissions.

After this stage, further submissions may only be made if invited by the Inspector, based on the matters and issues he or she identifies for examination.

Q6. If your representation is seeking a modification to the Regulation 19: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan, do you consider it necessary to participate in examination hearing session(s)?

Please note that while this will provide an initial indication of your wish to participate in hearing session(s), you may be asked at a later point to confirm your request to participate.



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

Yes, I wish to participate in hearing session(s)

(Please tick one box)

Q7. If you wish to participate in the hearing session(s), please outline why you consider this to be necessary:

Shropshire Council has agreed a Safeguarding Clause in its plans to protect the line of the Shrewsbury Canal. However, this has not been upheld in the recent past because Planning Permission has been granted to build over the line of the canal and to install services across it. Also Shropshire Council has failed to grasp the importance of a restored canal to tourism, the local economy, the health and wellbeing of the community and safeguarding the environment.

(Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

Please note: The Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate in hearing session(s). You may be asked to confirm your wish to participate when the Inspector has identified the matters and issues for examination.

Signature:		Date:	28/12/2020
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