Shropshire Council:
Regulation 18: Pre-Submission Draft
of the Shropshire Local Plan

Consultation Form

Part B Consultation Form: *Your Response(s) – this part (please fill in a separate Part B Consultation Form for each comment you wish to make, relating it to the relevant paragraph, policy (including its explanation) or site).*

Please ensure that you also complete one ***Part A Consultation Form*** *and submit this alongside you Part B Consultation Form(s).*

We have also published a separate ***Guidance Note*** *to assist in making effective representations.*

Part B: Response

Name:	TREFONEN RURAL PROTECTION GROUP
Organisation (if relevant):	

Q1. To which document does this response relate?

☑ Regulation 18: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan

☐ Sustainability Appraisal of the Regulation 18: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan

☐ Habitats Regulations Assessment of the Regulation 18: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan

(Please tick one box)

Q2. To which part of the document does this response relate?

Paragraph:		Policy:	DP4 Affordable Exception Sites
Site:		Policy Map:	

Please note: Responses to this Regulation 18: Consultation can address any of the Supporting Documents and Evidence by relating them to the resulting paragraph, policy (including its explanation) or site in the Regulation 18: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan.

Q3. Do you agree or disagree with the paragraph, policy, site or policies map you have identified in Q2?

☐ *Agree*

☑ *Disagree*

☐ *Don't know / no opinion*

(Please tick one box)

Q4. Please use this space to make any comments on the paragraph, policy, site or policies map you have identified in Q2:

DP4 Affordable Exception Sites

DP4.1(c) limits development to that required by Identified Local Needs survey

However, the Policy does not include a definition of scale, which is only set out in the Explanation para 4.57 saying there is an "expectation" that will not exceed 25dwellings adjacent to Strategic, Principal & Key Centres.

That is very open to interpretation and not binding, so gives no confidence to local residents.

For Community Hubs & Clusters and other rural settlements there is no limitation to scale of development.

As 'Affordable Exception' developments are predominately intended to be built adjacent to those rural settlements, any development could be large in relative terms.

There is also no cumulative impact limitation on multiple developments adjacent to settlements.

In Policy DP5 Entry Level Exception Sites DP5.1(b) includes limitations of scale within policy wording
In Policy DP7 Cross Subsidy Exceptions DP7.1(e) includes guide of scale within policy wording

We believe that Policy DP4 Affordable Exception Sites must define limits of scale and cumulative impact adjacent to Community Hubs & Clusters and other rural settlements (as well as limited to Identified Local Needs) within Policy.

DP4.1(k). Does not refer to access to employment.
Sustainable travel to work by walking, wheeling, cycling, or public transport are key for the sustainability of settlements and meeting Climate Emergency aims and Policy SP3 Climate Change.

Please succinctly provide all evidence and supporting information necessary to support your response. Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary.

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