



## JUHS Sheffield Plan consultation guidance – Policy ES1

*This is advice on just one heritage-related policy which we think is important, but you may like to comment on different policies or development sites. We are also providing guidance on some of these.*

### **Re-use of buildings and materials**

This document describes a simple and helpful response that you can make to the consultation on the draft Sheffield Plan. Policy ES1 calls for buildings to be re-used where possible and for recycling to be maximised during construction, but a much stronger policy is needed to meet carbon goals, make demolition a last resort, and prioritise re-use of materials over recycling.

To comment on the plan online, go to <https://haveyoursaysheffield.uk/engagementhq.com/draft-local-plan>. You will need to register to make a comment. Once you have registered, click on Make a Representation and the first page of the online form will be displayed.

Questions 1 and 2: answer these if they apply to you.

Q3: Choose “Part 2 Development Management Policies and Implementation”.

Q4: Choose “Policy ES1: Measures Required to Achieve Reduced Carbon Emissions in New Development”.

Q5: We think this part of the plan is legally compliant, so suggest answering “Yes”.

Q6: We don’t think this part of the plan is sound, so suggest answering “No”.

Q7: We think this part of the plan complies with the duty to co-operate, so suggest answering “Yes”.

Q8: Here is a suggested answer. You can copy it, or you can use your own words or add to it if you prefer.

Government advice defines a clear hierarchy of waste, with re-use of material in its original form the highest priority; recycling (reprocessing into a new product) next; and energy recovery last. The Climate Emergency and mandatory targets on carbon emissions justify a strong policy that recognises the lower energy and climate impacts of re-use. Re-use of buildings is the most effective in climate and resources terms and is strongly supported by RICS, RIBA, the House of Commons Environmental Audit Committee, European Academies Science Advisory Council (which includes the Royal Society), and the Royal Academy of Engineering. It is especially concerning that a requirement for Whole Life Cycle Carbon Assessments in an earlier draft of the plan has been dropped.

Modifications are needed to policy ES1 in order to meet the objective of environmental sustainability (NPPF 8(c)).

Q9: Here is a suggested answer. You can copy it, or you can use your own words or add to it if you prefer.

Policy ES1 should be amended to include a “re-use first” policy for both buildings and materials, rigorously enforcing the waste hierarchy and allowing lower priorities only where higher priority options are impossible and to re-instate the requirement for Whole Life Cycle Carbon Assessments.

Q10 & 11: You can also ask to participate in hearing sessions about your feedback with the Planning Inspector.

Once you are happy with what you have entered, click Submit. You can go on to make more submissions to comment on different policies or development sites.

***If you would rather send your response by email or post, see next page.***

## Responding by email or post

Responding online is the simplest option, but it is also possible to use email or post. You will need to download and complete the form "Regulation 19 Consultation Form" (Word document). To find this, go to <https://haveyoursaysheffield.uk/engagementhq.com/draft-local-plan>, scroll down under "Draft Sheffield Plan Documents" on the right of your screen until you see "Supporting Documents" and click on this. The form is the first document in the list.

Fill in your personal details in Part A Question 1, and your name at the top of Part B.

Q3: enter Policy Number ES1.

Q4.(1): We think this part of the plan is legally compliant, so suggest answering "Yes".

Q4.(2): We don't think this part of the plan is sound, so suggest answering "No".

Q4.(3): We think this part of the plan complies with the duty to co-operate, so suggest answering "Yes".

Q5: We suggest using or adapting the answer to Q8 of the online form (see previous page).

Q6: We suggest using or adapting the answer to Q9 of the online form (see previous page).

Q7 & 8: You can also ask to participate in hearing sessions about your feedback with the Planning Inspector.

Email to [sheffieldplan@sheffield.gov.uk](mailto:sheffieldplan@sheffield.gov.uk) or post to: Strategic Planning Team, Planning Service, 4th Floor, Howden House, Sheffield S1 2SH

You can submit several copies of Part B of the form to comment on different policies or development sites.