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Shropshire Council Site Allocations and Management of Development (SAMDEV) Plan

**Pre-Submission Draft (Final Plan)
17 March 2014 – 28 April 2014**

Representations Form

Please note you can also make representations to the SAMDev Pre-Submission Draft using our online form via:

www.shropshire.gov.uk/samdev

This is a formal consultation on the legal compliance and soundness of the Site Allocations and Management of Development (SAMDev) Plan before it is submitted to the Secretary of State for examination by an Independent Planning Inspector. For advice on how to respond to the consultation and fill in this representations form please see the guidance notes available on the Council's website at www.shropshire.gov.uk/samdev.

Your details: Who is making this representation?

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Your Representations

Please note, you must use a separate form for each representation you wish to make.

(Please refer to the accompanying Guidance Notes on Making Representations when completing this section)

In the box below please give the policy, paragraph or section of the Policies Map your representation relates to:

Map S7 Insert 1 CRAV002

Is your representation in support or objection? (please tick as appropriate)

Support **Yes** **No**
Object **Yes** **No**

In respect of your representation on the policy, paragraph or section of the Policies Map, do you consider the SAMDev Plan is:

Legally compliant **Yes** **No**
Sound **Yes** **No**

If your representation considers the SAMDev Plan is not sound, please say whether this is because it is not (*Please tick all that apply*):

Positively prepared	
Justified	/
Effective	/
Consistent with National Policy	/

In the box below please specify your reason for supporting or objecting.

If you are objecting, you should make clear why the document is unsound having regard to the issues of 'legal compliance' or whether the document is not positively prepared, justified, effective or not consistent with national policy (Continue on a separate sheet if necessary).

Research and fact finding insufficient:

1. The land west of Watling Street including CRAV002 was until the early 20thc. part of the Sibdon estate and CRAV002 occupies the site of a historic avenue focussing upon the east front of Sibdon Castle. This was probably laid out in c.1740 and may have carried the main drive to the Castle. It disappeared in the early 20thc. but elements of it still survive close to the Castle and close to Watling Street it is preserved as two parallel elm hedgerows within CRAV002.

2. Sibdon Castle is a Grade II* listed building and its curtilage and extended setting is protected by this designation. There has been no attempt to take into account PPS5, pars. 113-117 and the EH Revision Note, June 2012, on the setting of Heritage Assets.

3. The AONB includes the immediate ground surroundings of Sibdon Castle but in an arbitrary way, excludes some of the key elements of its setting, including its historic avenue. CRAV002 is in conflict with the aspirations of the AONB.

4. The Shropshire Way enters the historic setting of Sibdon Castle at Watling Street. The early part of the footpath will be adversely affected by CRAV002.

5. Watling Street is a highly sensitive archaeological feature. Its route and immediate hinterland should be protected.

- The AONB, Shropshire Way and Watling Street can also be regarded as Heritage Assets for which the setting needs to be protected.

6. The Sibdon estate has considerable landscape character and although partly protected by its position in the AONB, a larger area of the estate fulfils a number of the pre-conditions for registration as a historic park and garden.

- The landscape was in existence by c.1740.
- It was an influential example of its type and admired by one of the principal arbiters of contemporary taste in the mid-18thc. Later it is referred to in contemporary literature.
- It reflects the earliest stages of the English landscape style.
- It is associated with significant persons and movements.
- As indicated above it is associated with other heritage assets.

Mr. Holden has decided to go ahead with an application to English Heritage to seek consideration as a Registered landscape and this will be pursued in early May.

Please use the box below to explain the changes you think should be made to the SAMDev Plan in order to make it legally compliant or sound? You should explain your suggested revisions to the policy, paragraph or section of the Policies Map, and why this change would make the plan legally compliant or sound. Please be as precise as possible (Continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

1. Taking into account the II* listing of Sibdon Castle as a Heritage Asset where its setting should be protected.

2. Similarly an environmental assessment is required to measure the impact of the development on the AONB, the Shropshire Way and the Roman Road.

Please be sure that you have provided all the information necessary to support your representations and any changes you are proposing. After this stage you will not be able to make any further representations about the SAMDev Plan to Shropshire Council. Any further submissions will only be possible at the invitation of the Inspector conducting the examination, who may seek additional information about the issues he/she has identified.

Do you consider it necessary to attend and give evidence at the examination?

Yes, I wish to give evidence about my representation at the examination.

Yes

No, I wish to pursue my representations through this written representation.

If you wish to attend the examination, please explain why you think this is necessary in the box below:

1. To take account of any judgement EH might make on the Registration of the Sibdon landscape.

2. Consider the setting of Sibdon Castle in the light of PPS5, pars. 113-122 and the EH revision note on the setting of Heritage Assets.

3. Evaluate the impact of the development on the AONB, the Shropshire Way and Watling Street.

Do you wish to be notified of any of the following? Please tick all that apply. We will contact you using the details you have given above.

When the SAMDev Plan has been submitted for examination	√
When the Inspector's Report is published	√
When the SAMDev Plan is adopted	√

Please return this form by 5pm on Monday 28 April 2014

You can e-mail it to:

Planning.policy@shropshire.gov.uk

Or return it to: Planning Policy Team, Shropshire Council, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY2 6ND

Please note, we will acknowledge receipt of representations made by e-mail.

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Representations cannot be treated in confidence. Regulation 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 requires copies of all representations to be made publically available. The Council will place all the representations and the names of those who made them on its website, but will not publish personal information such as telephone numbers, emails or private addresses. By submitting a representation on the Pre-Submission SAMDev Plan you confirm that you agree to this.