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Pinhoe Village

Chapter of the Exeter Plan

Appendix A - The Green Infrastructure Spatial Framework

1. To which part of this chapter does this representation relate? (Representations must be made on a specific policy or paragraph within the section and this should be specified in the below).

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2. Do you consider that this part of the chapter is legally compliant?

No

2.a. If yes, and you wish to support the legal compliance of this part of the chapter, please use this box to set out your comments.

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2.b. If no, please give details of why you consider this part of the chapter is not legally compliant. Please be as precise as possible.

This Appendix provides insufficient detail for use as a reference document for the Green Infrastructure section of this local plan. It omits the potential of the active travel connection from Cheynegate Lane as one of the city's last remaining holloways (including an important site of geology / RIGS) connecting at the top of Pinhoe Ridgeline to the Clyst Valley

2.c. Please set out the modification(s) you consider necessary to make this part of the chapter legally compliant, in respect of any legal compliance matters you have identified at 2.b above. You will need to say why each modification will make this part of the chapter legally compliant. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording for the relevant policy or paragraph. Please be as precise as possible.

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3. Do you consider that this part of the chapter is sound?

No

3.a. If yes, and you wish to support the soundness of this part of the chapter, please use this box to set out your comments.

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3.b. If no, please give details of why you consider this part of the chapter is unsound. Please be as precise as possible.

This Appendix does not accurately reflect the porosity of the landscape connecting the ridgeline with communities across the city. Transport connections which form vital routes across the city have not been marked, making it difficult for anyone responding to the Plan to accurately assess its current status, biodiversity connection as increased value or the impact of many other strategic policies of this Local Plan. As one example: Pinhoe as a community and local centre sits across a boundary with East Devon. The lived experience of place includes a patchwork of green infrastructure - fields, tree-lined streets and holloways connecting across the Ridgeline rather than providing a "clear distinction" of boundary. The Appendix obfuscates potential biodiversity opportunity of the landscape connection across Exeter city and East Devon and omits important characteristics including a RIGS at Cheynegate Lane with significant heritage and local distinctiveness value. As part of local democratic process, over 2000 people signed a petition to protect the character of the ridgeline at Pinhoe, prompting unanimous support of ECC members at a full council meeting followed by cross-party support at Strategic Scrutiny Committee. The deep value of local heritage, distinctiveness and character across the ridgeline formed an integral part of this community representation, which could be used to support Council's strategic vision.

It is my experience and testimony that community voices have been lost from this consultation process in part because of lack of clarity in providing a holistic, place-sensitive vision.

3.c. Please set out the modification(s) you consider necessary to make this part of the chapter sound, in respect of any soundness matters you have identified at 3.b above. You will need to say why each modification will make this part of the chapter sound. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording for the relevant policy or paragraph. Please be as precise as possible.

Further detail is essential to the understanding of the application of the Green Infrastructure network across the Plan's strategic policies

4. Do you consider that this part of the chapter complies with the Duty to Co-operate?

No

4.a. If yes, and you wish to support this part of the chapter's compliance with the duty to co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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4.b. If no, please give details of why you consider this part of the chapter fails to comply with the duty to co-operate. Please be as precise as possible.

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

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

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

Pinhoe Village group worked as part of Pinhoe's community for over 5 years to develop a detailed understanding of these issues.