

MATTER ONE BASSETLAW LOCAL PLAN EXAMINATION

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1.4 I have criticized the SA in my consultation submission. **Please see attached.** Also – the SA does not capture all reasonable site options put forward in the plan process because the 2017 SHLAA has been ignored – please see attached. It shows sufficient land across the district for the functional cluster model to work. Please let us revert to that model.

1.4c NO – the SA does not correctly explain why the cluster model was dropped. Instead, there are claims that the 2017 SHLAA could not provide enough land. This is not the case. Rather, the Garden Village was political, designed to upset fewer people with no regard for existing Rural Settlement Sustainability. Now that it has faltered, Garden Village allocations have gone to higher tier settlements whilst we are given a downgrade from **Rural Service Centre** to just “village” – with less than 2 new houses pa for the entire plan period!!!

1.6 I have criticized the spatial/strategic priorities of the plan repeatedly for being political – ergo: anti Sheffield City Region and pro N2D2. The A631 is barely recognised whilst the A57 is highlighted at every turn, yet the bridge over the Trent at Gainsborough is far superior to that at Dunham on Trent and the A631 route into Rotherham (then Sheffield) is excellent.

Also – the settlement hierarchy appears to be an accident of history with a glut of middle tier settlements in the west of the district (Carleton, Blyth et al). They can't possibly be termed “Rural Service Centres” because they are all bunched together and have no rural hinterland. Instead, those settlements should be dealt with under Regeneration Policies with Rural Service Centres spread logically across the district – as they are now! Ergo – the settlement hierarchy as proposed is NOT spatial. Please see previous consultation responses attached.

1.10 No. We are already almost 3 years late – plan period should be to 2045.

1.11 No. Made NP's are NOT being “taken into account” because most do not have allocations! Only windfall policies!!! And really low caps on development – and no employment land. Bassetlaw villages will lose services. Please find attached our assessment of how villages should grow in the district (Excel spreadsheet).