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## YOUR COMMENTS

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**Modification that you wish to see** (please make specific reference to the section of the Proposed Plan you wish to see modified if possible, for example Section 9, paragraph E1.1):

**Section 9 "Shaping Places", para. P2.6**

Despite many welcome references in the Plan to paths and connectivity, the document fails to refer to the Council's existing strategic approach to outdoor access, as documented in the "Outdoor Access Strategy 2018-2021", yet the "Parks and Open Spaces Strategy" is (rightly) mentioned more than once. The Outdoor Access Strategy should be referred to in para. 2.6. Further, the wording "Statements or plans detailing proposals" for access provision is woolly, and capable of varying levels of observance by the developer. This should be replaced by a more concise term, widely used and understood, namely, "An Access Plan", thereby setting outdoor access on a par with detailed plans required for other elements of infrastructure.

**Reason for change:**

Objective 2.2 of the Council's "Outdoor Access Strategy 2018-2021" (at p11) includes "Provide input to the Local Development Plan process", yet there is no acknowledgment in ALDP of the Outdoor Access Strategy or of resulting input. Its absence implies that the Council has no cohesive strategy for outdoor access, an impression which deserves to be corrected.