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Part(s) of Local Plan responding to

To which part(s) of the Local Plan does your response relate to?

Please indicate the documents(s) and part(s) you are commenting on.

Publication Local Plan (including changes to the Policies Map designations) - Page number(s) / Paragraph number(s) / Policy no./name / Place-based strategy / Site Allocation(s) no./ name / Maps / Tables

Sustainability Appraisal Report - Page number(s) / Paragraph number(s)

Other (for example an omission or alternative approach)

Paragraph 16.6 (retrofit of building stock for decarbonisation).

Legal Compliance, Soundness and Duty to Co-operate

Do you consider the Local Plan is:

Legally Compliant . Yes

Sound . No

Complies with the Duty to Co-operate . Yes

Reason Consider Unsound

Do you consider the Local Plan is unsound , because it is not:

. Effective

Details of reason(s) for representation

Please give details of why you consider the Local Plan is or is not legally compliant, unsound or fails to comply with the duty to co-operate. Please be as precise as possible. If you wish to provide comments in support of the legal compliance and/or soundness of the Local Plan, or its compliance with the duty to co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments. *Please note your response should provide succinctly all the information, evidence and supporting information necessary to support / justify the response. After this stage, further submission will only be at the request of the Inspector, based on the matters and issues they identify for examination.*

Richmond Council's currently-published policies discourage cost-effective decarbonisation, particularly in conservation areas.

One example is that to get serious about decarbonisation, Richmond Council needs to encourage replacement of heritage single pane windows with modern double glazing, which tends to be cheapest when uPVC. In contrast, currently the policy is to encourage retention of wood and installation of not so effective secondary glazing instead.

Another example is that Richmond Council should encourage installation of solar panels in appropriate directions (e.g. south-facing) even when facing the front of the property.

Yet another example is that Richmond should allow people to add bike shelters and car chargers in front of their houses.

Modification(s) consider necessary

Please set out the modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant and sound, when considering any legal compliance or soundness matter you have identified in the question above. Please note that non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination. You will need to say why each modification will make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible. *Please note your response should provide succinctly all the information, evidence and supporting information necessary to support / justify the suggested change. After this stage, further submission will only be at the request of the Inspector, based on the matters and issues they identify for examination.*

I suggest that Richmond Council plans to change its policies to increase the decarbonisation of its existing building stock, at the expense of some degradation to the visual appeal of its streets, including in conservation areas.

Participation at Examination

Do you consider it necessary to participate in examination hearing session(s)?

No, I do not wish to participate in hearing session(s)

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