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SPATIAL VISION

The plan sets out a spatial vision for Tameside that hopes to support in the vision and priorities within the Council's Corporate Plan. The proposed vision for the plan is set out below.

Tameside in 2042 will be:

- **Homes: A place where people are proud to live, with a range of attractive and affordable homes that meet local needs.**
- **Jobs: A place with a strong local economy where businesses choose to remain, invest and grow, and where residents can learn and earn.**
- **Centres: A place with a range of strong, vibrant and diverse centres which serve their local communities and where people want to spend time.**
- **Travel: A well-connected place, where active travel is the first and natural choice, with high quality public transport connections, where people can travel safely and conveniently to destinations both within and beyond the borough.**
- **Places: A place where our cultural and built heritage are cherished, and where good design creates sustainable, safe, inclusive and accessible places.**
- **Environment: A greener place with a thriving natural environment and clean air, where communities and infrastructure are sustainable and climate resilient.**
- **People: A place where children are given the best start in life, are able to exceed expectations and where everyone is able to live a healthy, happy and active life within thriving supportive communities, supported by the services they need.**

To what extent do you agree with the Homes, Spaces, Places Vision for Tameside?

Strongly disagree

Please give a reason for your answer.

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If you think there should be alternative wording for the Vision, please detail your proposed wording below.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

To what extent do you agree with the Homes, Spaces, Places strategic objectives?

Homes: To ensure that new housing provides a range of suitable and affordable homes to meet residents' needs, whilst making efficient use of land.

Jobs: To enable all residents to share in the benefits of economic growth

Centres: To support the borough's centres to thrive, be vibrant and attractive and safe spaces where people choose to spend time.

Travel: To enable everyone to travel safely, conveniently and reduce congestion.

Places: To deliver development that makes a positive contribution to the character, heritage and identity of Tameside.

Environment: To ensure that new development responds positively to climate change and ecologically sensitive locations.

People: To reduce health inequalities, improve health outcomes and enable the provision of services and infrastructure to support new and existing communities.

Please give a reason for the choices you provided above.

If you think there should be alternative strategic objectives to those suggested, please detail these below.

SPATIAL FRAMEWORK

To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP S1: Overall Spatial Strategy?

Strongly disagree

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If you think there are any reasonable alternatives to Policy approach HSP S1, please detail these below.

Use brownfield land and old disused mills, buildings

To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP S2: Neighbourhood Spatial Policies?

Strongly disagree

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If you think there are any reasonable alternatives to Policy approach HSP S2, please detail these below.

Use brownfield, disused mills and buildings!

If you have any further comments on the Spatial Framework, please provide them below.

CENTRES

To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP C1: Network, Hierarchy and Designation of Centres?

Neutral

Please give a reason for your answer.

To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP C2: Primary Shopping Areas?

Neutral

Please give a reason for your answer.

To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP C3: Local Shopping Areas and Parades?

Neutral

Please give a reason for your answer.

To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP C4: Development Involving Retail and Leisure Uses?

Neutral

Please give a reason for your answer.

To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP C5: Markets?

Disagree

Please give a reason for your answer.

More waste of money!!

To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP C6: Healthier Food Environments

Agree

Please give a reason for your answer.

Too many fast food outlets leading to more people becoming obese and diabetic

If you have any further comments on the Centres chapter of the plan, please provide them below.

ENVIRONMENT

To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP E1: Renewable Energy Opportunities?

Disagree

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To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP E2: Critical Drainage and Water Demand?

Disagree

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To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP H1: Housing Type, Mix, Tenure and Affordability?

Strongly disagree

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To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP H2: Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMO)?

Strongly disagree

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To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP H3: Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Show-People?

Strongly disagree

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To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP H4: Back Land and Garden Development?

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Neutral

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Neutral

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Neutral

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PEOPLE

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Neutral

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To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP PE6: Peak District National Park?

Neutral

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TRAVEL

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Neutral

Please give a reason for your answer.

To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP T2: Trunk Road Developments?

Strongly disagree

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To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP T3: Rail Infrastructure?

Neutral

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Neutral

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Neutral

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Neutral

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Neutral

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To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP T8: Parking?

Disagree

Please give a reason for your answer.

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Neutral

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PLACES

To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP PL1: Archaeology and Scheduled Monuments?

Neutral

Please give a reason for your answer.

To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP PL2: Listed Buildings - Alternative Uses, Additions, Demolition and Development Within Their Setting?

Agree

Please give a reason for your answer.

To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP PL3: Conservation Areas - Managing Development Within or Adjoining?

Disagree

Please give a reason for your answer.

To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP PL4: Historic Parks and Gardens - Managing Development?

Neutral

Please give a reason for your answer.

To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP PL5: Designated Heritage Assets - Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Generation?

Neutral

Please give a reason for your answer.

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Please give a reason for your answer.

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Neutral

Please give a reason for your answer.

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Disagree

Please give a reason for your answer.

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Disagree

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To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP PL12: Design of Employment Sites?

Disagree

Please give a reason for your answer.

To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP PL13: Design within Centres, Retail and Leisure Developments?

Neutral

Please give a reason for your answer.

To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP PL14: Design of Commercial Frontages?

Neutral

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To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP PL15: Outdoor Sports, Recreation and Play Space?

Neutral

Please give a reason for your answer.

To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP PL16: Design and Enhancement of the Waterside?

Neutral

Please give a reason for your answer.

To what extent do you agree with Policy approach HSP PL17: Design of Public Realm and Urban Spaces?

Strongly disagree

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POLICIES MAP AND INTEGRATED ASSESSMENT

A policies map has been published which shows the areas of land that relate to specific policies in this plan at this stage in the process. Future versions of Homes, Spaces, Places will have specific allocations and further designations of land linked to policies. An updated policies map will be produced at that time to identify these.

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Do you consider that the Integrated Assessment has adequately assessed the potential environmental, social, and economic impacts of the proposed policy approaches and strategies within the Plan?

Are there any sections of the Integrated Assessment that require further explanation or clarification?