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To: Spatial Policy

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I write to contribute to the consultation on the Durham City Neighbourhood Plan. I like the thematic structure and I particularly commend the section on the Green Infrastructure (theme 2b) with its protective policies and its designation of local Green spaces. In a Climate Emergency, every power should be exerted :

- to protect the Green Belt assets from building developments
- to promote biodiversity
- to establish green corridors for recreation and wellbeing of people

as well as connectivity to maintain animal habitats.

I have been at gatherings of people committed to preserving and enhancing The River Banks, a priority for residents and visitors alike. I am also glad to see the idea of The Emerald Network revived in the Plan. We have a World Heritage Site and the Plan seeks to protect it from short term financial gains and secure it for generations to come by prioritising Green Infrastructure.

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