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Sir/Madam,  
I have the following comments which I'd like to be taken into consideration.

**Q1 - Vision**

This vision could be improved by emphasis on the unique natural heritage of the area, in particular areas of woodland, wild-life and cultural heritage in relative close proximity to the City, which helps give Aberdeen its unique character.

**Q2 - Spatial Strategy**

Areas of particular character that allow wildlife and greenery, near the City, should be protected to preserve the high quality of life for people in the area. This is a key attraction of the region. For example parts of lower Deeside such as Banchory Devenick.

**Q8 -** The planning system should encourage the retention if existing green areas close to the City. These help give the City its unique character. New housing development of any scale should be kept to areas that are brownfield (eg Chapelton) or of low wildlife value.

**Q14 -** New greenbelt allocations should be minimised, or close to zero. Greenbelt land was designated for a reason and any required allocations should be elsewhere.

**Q16 -** Critical congested junctions such as the River Dee crossings should be carefully considered and development not allowed where it would generate local frequent traffic through these junctions.

Please add my email to your cc list for any future correspondence related to this matter.

Regards,  
John Ness

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