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It is great to see another Neighbourhood development plan being developed, but we are disappointed that the proposed Old Market Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) has no mention of renewables, energy efficiency or district heating. If the plan aims to attract more residents and new shops, then they need to ensure buildings are cost effective to run and live in – something that renewables, energy efficiency and district heating help to ensure.

The plan aims to 'to improve the health and wellbeing of the population' and this can be supported through the provision of the measures mentioned which help to tackle fuel poverty. On-site renewables can increase the take-up of electric vehicles which will help to reduce emissions in an area already sensitive to pollution.

Bristol clearly has significant ambitions to be a low carbon city, and the Council is currently being funded to look into district heating. The NDP has outcomes which could affect the provision of district heating (such as changes to pavements) and it would be good for provision to be made in this influential document.

The NDP is community created document and Bristol has many great examples of the community taking ownership of renewable and energy efficiency initiatives. We hope this document doesn't miss out on this opportunity to ensure these benefits are incorporated and we would be pleased to support this to happen.

Regards

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