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I am very concerned about several aspects of what is proposed:

1. The Synagogue is included within the Tall Buildings Area, without proper adequate protection.
2. Policy towards Conservation Areas is weak, and, in particular, the current presumption against tall buildings in Conservation Areas is dropped.
3. The planners propose to protect the "immediate setting" of the Synagogue, but this is wholly inadequate given that the "immediate setting" does not cover the 31 Bury St site, and effectively pays no regard to the important sky view above the Synagogue.
4. The Synagogue is denied the level of protection afforded to The Monument, where views out and in are given protection.
5. This draft Local Plan 2040 pays insufficient respect to heritage and religious buildings.

The Local Plan 2040 will be the principal development plan for the City for a number of years to come, so its contents are very important. In its current form I object to the plan and urge reconsideration of ensuring a Conservation Area in the fullest and true sense of conservation for heritage and the Bevis Marks Synagogue in particular.

Yours sincerely

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