

I intended to attend the workshop session in Dundee on 20 March as a representative on Dundee Civic Trust, which understandably was cancelled. I would offer the following **personal** comments.

London and the SE dominates the economy of the UK, and to a lesser extent this unfortunate effect is repeated in Scotland in that the Glasgow-Edinburgh corridor dominates the Scottish economy. A major objective of Scotplan 2050 should be to more equitably distribute economic activity and development throughout the country.

Much of the country's housing stock was planned and built at least 60 years ago when current and future levels of car ownership were inconceivable. Much of these areas are severely blighted by lack of residential parking facilities apart from on the street, and the forthcoming legislation prohibiting parking on footpaths, together with growth in car ownership, can only aggravate this. Forthcoming national planning guidance should attempt to address this by advising how this can be alleviated, eg by outlining policies and proposals to be adopted by local authorities which encourage car owners individually and jointly and LAs to create off-street parking.