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To:
Local Plan

Subject: Warrington Development Plan - objection

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Dear Sir

I wish to object to your development plan for the following reasons

- <!--[if !supportLists]-->1. <!--[endif]-->There is no justification for the growth in housing need that you suggest.
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->Your planned number of homes goes beyond that suggested by the government
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->You are allowing unchecked housing sprawl which is destroying the unique character of our villages. You do not appear to care about the impact this has on the people who live here. People have chosen to live, work and make their homes here because of their surroundings and the lifestyle Warrington offers them currently. We do not want to live on a giant building site for what will equate to nearly a quarter of a life time. We do not want our green belt destroyed. The need to protect and enhance our green spaces is ever more important due to climate change and for our health and well being.
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->You have made no case for releasing green belt which is desperately needed to help provide clean air and in terms of climate change.
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->In the south of Warrington you will be building on prime agricultural land where is the sense in that? How are you going to replace the food that can no longer be grown on these fields.
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->You have not guaranteed to prioritise brown field sites over green belt i.e. Lymm green belt which is due to be built on in 2020. This should be last to be built on not first. You are not using our land resources to benefit Warrington current population or taking in to account the need to protect our environment.
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->You have not justified such a large scale expansion of the town economically.
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->You are destroying beautiful countryside for no good reason. It's not yours to do this to. It has been proven time and again how beneficial open space is and you are taking it away from everyone in Warrington.
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->2. <!--[endif]-->Soundness there are widespread flaws and weaknesses in your plan

- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->Warrington has the worse air quality in the whole of the UK for particulate matter PM2.5 and this will only get worse. It will affect us and our children, grandchildren etc health wise. If you go ahead with this plan then people living in Warrington could end up dying because of the pollutants. People should have a right to clean air.
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->There are no clear plans for addressing the MSC crossings, which already cause traffic problems without the additional traffic.
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->Your growth strategy does not make sense. There is a lot of automated industry round here so where will the jobs be fro the people.
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->Fiddlers Ferry has not been taken in to account now that you have changed your plan to a 20 year one.
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->3. <!--[endif]-->Logistical issues
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->You have not properly assessed how the western link road will affect Walton and Chester Road.
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->How can you call South Warrington a 'garden suburb' when it looks like you intend to build a 40 metre wide dual carriageway through it? Surely that's a contradiction in terms. How can we use our gardens when there will be masses amount of polluting traffic travelling past our homes.
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->You do not appear to have considered how are you going to build at such a pace and scale without an adverse impact on the people of Warrington
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->4. <!--[endif]-->Deliverability:
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->How can you build houses before infrastructure. We face living on a giant building site for 20 years. How is that fair and just.
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->5. <!--[endif]-->The plan does not meet the special circumstances for release from Green Belt.

Your plan should:

- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment not met
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->Preserve the setting and character of historic towns not met
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->To assist in urban regeneration not met

<!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->To prevent neighbouring towns from merging in to one another – not met.

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