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Sent: 11 June 2019 19:50

To: Local Plan

Subject: Fwd: Local Plan Consultation

Dear sir/madam

I am writing to object to the Draft Local Plan. The reasons for my objections are listed below.

- The plan Period of 20 years is far too long. I believe there is doubt on how the Plan can be delivered. Having a 15 year plan would reduce the necessity to build on Green built and in actual fact would remove to the need to build on Green Belt. The plan does not demonstrate the very special circumstances required for developing Green Belt land.
- The 20 year plan would result in over development on a massive scale on land which is currently within the Green Belt area. The housing numbers for the whole plan are unrealistic and are too ambitious given the growth predictions are based on unrealistic levels of economic activity for the borough. The development is also on a mass scale and would impact on the countryside for the surrounding villages of Grappenhall, Appleton, Stretton, Walton and Moore. This would significantly impact and destroy the true character and uniqueness of these villages which people across the borough come to share and enjoy through local walks along the canal tow paths, public footpaths, Trans Pennine trial, Moore nature reserve or Dingle woods.
- The plan does not demonstrate in any detail how the Town Centre and the true character of Warrington will be preserved for future generations which are both Warrington Council policy objectives.
- The plan lacks clarity on how it will be delivered in terms of the transport and infrastructure to support the mass growth in south Warrington.
- With the increase in traffic with that comes with additional houses there will be significant light and noise pollution. The Northwest has a high incidence of childhood Asthma and this plan will not help to reduce respiratory conditions but in actual fact will worsen it for future generations.
- The environmental and ecological impact has not been properly assessed and in my opinion the plan will do greater harm than good for the flora and fauna which will harm our local ecology.
- The plan will give the developers the green light to build on Green belt land rather than regenerating brown field sites. A more sensible approach is to build on brown field sites first as this would help shops and businesses thrive and would also provide housing for the population of Warrington. If the Green belt land is released as indicated in the plan developers will be less inclined to build on brown field sites as it is of less financial gain for them.

- There is no justification for the predicted economic growth as the figures proposed are over ambitious and not properly evidenced. The figures in the local plan are over inflated and therefore there is no need for the volume of housing and the mass employment proposed. This also backs up that there is no need for the scale of Green belt release.
- The infrastructure required to support the proposed development is not adequate and the routes across the town would rely on three Victorian swing bridges which frequently become stuck which results in traffic congestion in south Warrington.

Yours faithfully
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