From:
To: Local Plan

Subject: Warrington Local Plan Objection

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To Whom it May Concern,

I wholly object to the Local Plan Consultation in its current format and insist a more lengthy and thorough assessments of the development of Warrington be made, so that an evidence based plan be made and implemented that will improve Warrington for all its residents current and future.

I have lived in and have witnessed many changes to the area in that time, some of which have been beneficial whilst others have been detrimental. There has also bee a considerable increase in the amount of traffic in and around the whole of Warrington.

Congestion

The existing infrastructure of Warrington is unable to support the current numbers of cars on the roads.

Warrington's dependency on the surrounding motorways being clear is evident in the frequent 'gridlocking' that occurs whenever an incident occurs on either the M6, M56 or M62 and the town is flooded with cars trying to find a quicker route.

No further residential developments should be created until the infrastructure and roads are built to support the current AND future predicted increases in traffic.

Housing

The number of homes predicted to be required has been poorly calculated. This should be reevaluated and based on supporting evidence and facts.

Green Belt & Air Pollution

The loss of green belt to provide these homes would be detrimental to the quality of life and health of the population of Warrington with net loss of green belt space, vegetation and destruction of a living air filter

The unprecedented loss of green belt would be devastating for local wildlife, the extent of which has not been assessed rigorously for the local plan.

There are no grounds or 'very special circumstances' for this permanent loss of green belt and all current and upcoming brownfield sites should be utilised first.

Public Transport & Infrastructure

The public transport availability and accessibility in South Warrington is below that required for the current population and needs to be expanded and improved to reduce the current vehicle numbers on the road. Any new development must have establish a reliable and accessible to all public transport network BEFORE new residential areas are permitted to be developed.

Access to the rail network in south Warrington is non-existent and people have to travel, invariably by car into the town centre for this, adding to the reliance on cars and increasing traffic into the towncentre.

To reiterate, I wholly object to the Local Plan Consultation in its current format.

Yours Faithfully,

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