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I wish to register my strong objection to the Local Development Plan.

The loss of greenbelt is not justified. In areas such as Warrington which has very poor air quality and as such has been identified by the World Health Organisation as being in the top 5 Towns /Cities exceeding pollution limits, trees and green places are needed for the health of the community and the planet. There is a proven link between exposure to emissions and premature death. I feel strongly that The Local plan does not meet the criteria to justify green belt release.. Green belt is designated to check the unrestricted sprawl of large built up areas, safeguard the countryside, assist in regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and brownfield sites. For Example the plan does not incorporate the large site at Fiddlers ferry which has just become available.

The proposed development of 18900 with 7400 in south Warrington alone is well beyond the government targets which suggest in the region of 10000 .

There is no justification for such an overstated target in the development plan. Population growth data does not support the Local Plan. From now to 2039 population growth is projected to be 21000. At 2.3 per home that means a housing need of only 9000. The housing targets should be using the latest population growth figures.

The infrastructure for LDP is lacking strategy and essential detail. The council traffic planners have confirmed that the LPT4 as a 'concept' is an aspirational document. It lacks details of the schemes and how much the possible schemes will cost . Given the pressures on public funding there is very little possibility that any public funds would be released within the PSV Local Plan period. The council should not commit to a 20 year plan for the south of Warrington without any certainty the transport infrastructure could be put into place. Some infrastructure for projects of roads and bridges will be grossly underfunded and therefore the whole plan will be undeliverable. There are no details of the schools provision or how they will be funded or at what point in the plan they will be built .

The economic growth forecasts are too optimistic. The current uncertainty with the economy and Brexit means that the growth forecasts should be downgraded

The increased traffic and homes will cause an increase in pollution and diminish air quality. 7400 homes in south Warrington alone will generate at best the same amount of cars on our roads. This is against the latest aspirations announced by the government that they have pledged to reduce the UKs emissions to zero by 2050. This plan demonstrates an over reliance on the car, there are no firm proposals for alternatives.

I don't believe the Local Development is deliverable and therefore I believe it to be not sound.

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