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The Local Plan,

Warrington Borough Council,

New Town House,

Warrington,

WA1 2NH.

Dear Sirs,

Whilst one wants Warrington to be a successful town it shouldn't be at the expense of the existing population by over expansion.

The Plan shows a rate of growth which is unsustainable bearing in mind the road infrastructure which already is totally inadequate particularly south of the town, with pinch points in Stockton Heath and Stretton, plus the holdups caused by the Manchester Ship Canal. If the congestion becomes worse it will drive companies away from the town.

As the vital need to maintain our bio-diversity becomes more apparent the loss of greenbelt land will have serious consequences, with the increase in pollution affecting the health of the local population.

On a regional basis Runcorn, Warrington and the Manchester conurbation are becoming ever closer to squeezing out the greenbelt land..

With all the unknowns how can a 20 year plan be meaningful. Experience shows brownfield sites (Fiddlers Ferry P S and the hospital) and other sites are likely to become available avoiding the necessity of using up our limited greenbelt land.

The Plan in my opinion is unsound in its present form.

Yours faithfully,
John A.Baldwin.