

Dear Sir

I am writing to give my opinion about the 'Local Plan' which Warrington Council is suggesting:

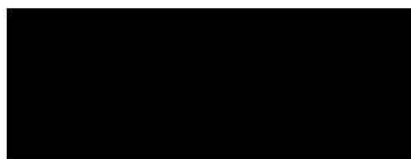
The "Green Belt" around Warrington was defined only five years ago and should be maintained, at least for the twenty years mentioned in the definition. There is a shortage of 'Social housing' in the area and if this were built on 'Brownfield' sites nearer the town centre, with smaller houses more easily available for first-time buyers especially, then more houses could be built than building much larger houses with large gardens in the proposed 'Garden Suburb'. Using Green Belt land for housing is both easier and more profitable for the builders. Green Belt land should not be used when Brownfield sites are available.

Medical centres in the south of the town are already overloaded, so getting an appointment with a doctor is a difficult process. More medical centres are needed now to give a reasonable service, so more should be made available before any new building in the area

Traffic from the south of Warrington needs bridges over the Manchester Ship Canal. Recently the number of boats using the canal has increased and with the three main bridges needing to be opened each time a boat passes, traffic comes to a halt. Far too many drivers leave their engines running, thus increasing air pollution to unacceptable levels. Before any new houses are built to the south of the canal a new bridge needs to be provided.

The plan as suggested is not sound.

Yours faithfully,



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