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## Hello

We should like to respond to the new draft of the Local Plan

- Our major concern is about the release of substantial greenbelt for so many houses and the inability of the area to cope with such an influx of people and traffic
- A big change is for 300 new homes on Thelwall Heys. This was not included in the 2017 or 2019 versions of the local plan and we have concerns about the increased traffic
- Using so much greenbelt risks brown belt sites in the town centre not being developed. Brown site development with better transport infrastructure is much better for the environment. Something which is important as we consider the future.
- There will be far too much pressure on the existing infrastructure to cope with the additional traffic from all the extra houses. No new crossings over the Bridgewater canal are planned and the planned Western Link won't be of use to journeys from Grappenhall or Appleton Thorn
- The special characteristics of our villages are going to be lost, particularly Appleton Thorn and Wright's Green but this will also impact on Grappenhall
- I am particularly disappointed that so much focus is being out on the Employment benefits of Six56. These logistics hubs are highly automated, and will not provide suitable employment for local workere who can afford to buy the expensive homes that the developers (who have made large profits by building on greenbelt rather than brown field sites) will be building.
- Increased congestion also means increased pollution

Please take account of the above when reviewing the plan.

## Kind regards

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