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Sir.

I think the local plan is still failing to take account of Warrington's assets and struggling infra structure. Do we really need that much new housing in this area?

I think the idea of taking green belt land for logistics near the M6/56 junction is wrong. Green belt is there for a reason. The road network there already struggles with the number of lorries especially early and late in the day, and around lunchtime it is a nightmare, the plans would only make this worse.

Brownfield sites should be used for housing development not green field sites.

Warrington's road network already struggles and public transport into the town centre is already patchy at best, so new development should be near the centre to minimise adding to the problem. Thelwall Heyes should be kept as green belt, walkers and boaters enjoy the green space that is there, they don't want to be constantly going through housing estates. How would the extra traffic from this development access the motorway network with the already busy bridge over the Bridgewater canal unable to cope with any extra vehicles, and access to the town centre would be over the Ship Canal via bridges that already struggle to cope with the daily traffic? With COP26 already highlighting the need for green spaces, and the problem of air pollution, the plans need to be looked at again. The last proposals for the local plan were scrapped because they were overtaken by events and a change in government policy, these plans need to be changed again because they are being overtaken again by our need to meet our climate commitments from COP26. Peter Rowe