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10th November 2021

Dear Sirs

Re Warrington Local Plan Consultation document October 2021

We wish to make the following comments:-

1. We are very concerned at the lack of proposals which would reverse the continuing decline of Warrington Town Centre.

2. Re the infrastructure issues - there are no proposals to improve the already over-stretched highway infrastructure linking South Warrington to the town centre. We have personal experience of the already increasing congestion & attendant danger at the Poplar 2000 Junction 20 of the M6.

We also have personal experience on several occasions of domestic flooding in the last 3 years as a result of the continued local new building over-loading the existing foul & surface water drains – something which United Utilities have acknowledged. The Local Plan does not appear to address the issues of Victorian/Edwardian drains not having sufficient capacity to cope with new development.

3. We feel that more effort should be made to identify & utilise for development the many brownfield sites in the Borough as opposed to taking the easy option of using Green Belt land, in particular for the proposed Urban Extension. This area is of particular visual appeal in a Borough not over-endowed with such areas. The pandemic, & our own location, has shown the need for such areas. Once these areas are developed their leisure potential is lost for ever.

Yours sincerely,

Judith & Philip Moss