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Dear Planning Department,

I would like to register my opposition to the Draft Local Plan for Warrington 2021.

The updated plan still makes use of too much greenbelt without proper justification of why it is necessary to do so. The housing allocation is disproportionately targeted to an area that has road congestion without adequately solving this problem. The consequential effects on air pollution would be catastrophic.

The access to train stations and the woefully inadequate bus service would just mean further traffic being placed on these already congested routes and the style of houses being built do not either suit the style of the current area nor do they provide sufficient affordability for the planned staff who would be required to work in the proposed warehousing facilities. All these factors would just further increase the flow of traffic across the inadequate town infrastructure.

I moved away from Manchester to Warrington because of its access to wide green spaces, this plan just looks to be eroding that aspect without any compensating gain.

We do not want Warrington to just become a concrete stretch between Manchester and Liverpool.

I think it would be a better idea to address brownfield industrial sites and regenerate the town centre to be a place of smart apartment blocks and flats (look at the success of the inner city regeneration of Castlefields in Manchester and the Northern Quarter.) This would enable town centre workers to live closer to their jobs.

Improve the cycling facilities and bus to try and tackle these problems rather than going to the easier (and cheaper) route of destroying green belt ... which cannot be undone. Please take this into consideration and look again at the local plan. Best regards,

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