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**Sent:** 14 November 2021 18:27

To: Local Plan

**Subject:** Local Plan UNSOUND

## Dear Sirs

I am writing to object to the proposed new Local Plan because it is NOT SOUND

- There is no justification for the proposed scale of Green Belt development; green belt legislation exists to preserve open landscape and the council should be operating in the spirit of the legislation rather than seeking to undermine it
- there is no justification for the predicted growth and no clarity on the means of delivering the development which I believe exceeds what Warrington has actually achieved in the past.
- There is no new transport infrastructure proposed to address the already inadequate access from south of the Ship Canal into the town centre. There is a need to provide a new high level crossing for the Canal and River; the recent Slutchers Lane development failed to achieve this. Ever increasing numbers of traffic lights will not keep the traffic moving.
- Inadequate transport infrastructure leads to poorer air quality and local ecology.
- The housing developments will rely on occupiers living a car based lifestyle; this is in direct conflict with the COP26 agenda. Any new housing, *IF* it were needed should be built close to the existing rail network

Yours faithfully Michael Walton



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