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**To:** [Local Plan](#)  
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Dear Sir/Madam,

This email is my response to the council's consultation on its Local Plan. My details are:

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I object to green belt land being destroyed and built on in the Local Plan. In this time of climate change all green belt land should be protected and not built on. We also need to maintain all agricultural land for agricultural purposes and not build houses or warehousing on agricultural land. The recent supply chain crisis and the impact of Brexit reinforces the need for us to be more self sufficient in producing food and so we cannot afford to lose agricultural land.

The Local Plan needs to use more brown field sites for housing. The pandemic has changed how we live and work. More and more shopping is being done online and not on the high street and more people are working from home and not in the office. In my own case, the company I work for has reduced our office space by more than half (we now have 10 hot desks instead of 24 permanent desks) and I am going into the office only 1 day a week. Therefore, former retail and office space should be converted into housing instead of using green belt/agricultural land under the Plan.

Use of these town centre brown field sites will also provide more housing within easy reach of the existing rail network. The proposed massive amounts of housing in South Warrington can only be used by car drivers adding massively to existing congestion and air pollution and climate change. South Warrington already suffers from bad traffic congestion and under the Local Plan there is no thought to how the existing roads can cope with the huge amounts of extra traffic that will arise after building a massive number of homes.

There are other points that can be made and I'm sure others will have made these points better than I could. In summary, this Plan is not sound and needs substantial changes. Green belt land should not be used, development should be focused on brown field sites and providing more housing in and around the town centre that is close to amenities and existing rail links. The road network in South Warrington with the restrictions due to canal/river crossings cannot cope with the massive amounts of extra traffic from the housing proposed.

Regards

Michael Tudor

Sent from my iPad