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To:
Local Plan

**Subject:** Opposition to local plan **Date:** 14 November 2021 19:36:08

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- > To whom it may concern,
- > I am writing to you to oppose the so called local plan for the South of Warrington. I have serious concerns over the environmental, physical and irreversible effect of the council's plans to destroy our greenbelt and our unique way of life. Recent decisions such as Peel Hall and now the colliery at Winwick is seriously worrying and not what the local people of Warrington want.
- > My opposition is as follows:
- > 1. Brownfield sites should be used first and foremost to create homes or businesses in the area. Trampling over our greenbelt with unnecessary warehouses and ill thought out houses, that are not affordable and badly built, is unacceptable. The Fiddlers Ferry site will be suitable for development, with consultation of the local population, and there are numerous warehouses in Woolsten that are empty that can be used instead of building a new enormous site that will desecrate our green fields and eco system. Current green sites and the carving up of our countryside is not an option. In the year that was Covid, Grappenhall was visited by many when they did not have a green space to visit, Grappenhall Heyes wood, Appleton villages, our open spaces were enjoyed by all and should not be considered for development. Develop our town centre first, encourage living spaces and businesses there and develop a thriving town. There is little point creating houses upon houses and nothing to do and no open spaces to enjoy (because they are full of warehouses and traffic)
- > 2. The suggestion of six56 is an insult, even the silly name trying to conjure up some modern way of living is ridiculous. The building would be enormous, an eyesore, and would have to be endured by those living close by. The Infrastructure of our villages would not be able to cope with this increased traffic and nuisance vehicles and we don't want more fields to be used to deal with it. Higher carbon footprint, more ill health, and high emissions not only is an undesirable outcome for local people but is very at odds with the councils promise for a greener town and the very on point subject of ecological preservation, discussed this week at COP26 conference. Eating up the countryside for greedy investors does not support the idea of a sustainable and ecological environment. We don't want our way of life as villages and communities changed into 'faux' communities, forced to make do with 'created' green spaces with a couple of benches and trees to replace real living and established woods that have served us well for years. You have opposition to this plan, it isn't local and does not reflect the community's desires. And you have not sufficiently canvassed this issue in the areas due to be affected. Your maps of the plan could well be of Disneyland for all the sense they make, ambiguous shapes, no road names or sense of scale and ambiguous plans but no real info, like the reality of a 140 ft warehouse.
- > 3. We don't have the infrastructure and this is going to take years to develop and therefore would affect our local villages and protected spaces. We don't want our villages to be merged to crate an 'urban' experience, most communities don't thrive by being made impersonal and this is what will happen here. We don't need extra traffic on the M6 it's already ridiculously packed and even if there is a small problem this leads to grid lock, unhappy travellers, accidents and more pollution. It just does not make sense to add to an already miserable situation.
- > The developers who are greedy businessmen don't live in the A50 or in Appleton or Grappenhall or Thelwall and don't care for our quality of life. The secretary of state is a million miles from our Cheshire home, she can't make decisions for us, ones where money comes first. Peel Hall should be a warning to us all. We live in a world where we are all aware of the implications of money coming first, of our ecological responsibilities and that allowing buildings to be drawn up without the cost to communities is well known. As a council you are supposed to represent the community's concerns and wishes, and not your own for personal gain. We'd like our voices heard.
- > We don't want this development, we want sustainable change, we want real places to live but without it literally costing the earth and our communities. Concentrate on developing brown fields first, the town centre to be somewhere people want to go to (at the moment no one shops in Warrington!) and using empty spaces and properties.
- > Residents don't want it accept the Local plan.
- > Yours Sincerely,
- > Mrs Alessandra Horton

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> Sent from my iPhone