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Local Plan

Subject: Objection to the local plan. 2021 upsvlp 2021

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Hi

I would like to register my objection to the Draft Local Plan set out by Warrington Borough Council.

My main reasons for my objection are:

- 1. There are large brownfield sites within the town centre and in other areas of Warrington such as Fiddlers Ferry that should be considered first.
- 2. The amount of proposed housing does not seem to account for adjusting local services such as;
- New schools and colleges
- GP Surgeries and hospital services
- Additional strain on the town's hospital and A&E services which are already stretched
- 3. As someone who has lived in both Appleton and now Grappenhall the traffic at busy times when crossing the Bridgewater canal is very busy as all routes are single width roads controlled by traffic lights and cause a lot of queueing traffic at busy times along with pollution. The plans again seem vague when connecting this area of proposed development with traffic heading north of the ship canal. With all commuting relying entirely on the use of cars. The Victorian swing bridges add to this problem when there is shipping traffic on the canal. The Cantilever bridge is also only fit for car use.
- 4. The Six56 development will produce more traffic on the surrounding roads, eat into the green belt and has dubious claims the amount of jobs created. The claim that workers could live in the area seems unrealistic as the current house prices
- 5. My main objection is the proposed use of so much green belt land for this Local Plan, once this land is gone it is gone forever. The use of green belt is to reduce urban sprawl, reduce pollution, keep local wildlife species thriving.

We already have the developments at grappenhall heyes which are taking away several fields and ultimately a loss of the countryside for local residents

We are now in a state of climate emergency where we need to not only keep green spaces but we need to increase them to create carbon sinks. We need to stop the use of fossil fuels and reduce car journeys, especially when the plan seems to generate additional use of cars but not provide the roads that would reduce any congestion and therefore increase pollution locally.

Flooding is a further concern given the scale of properties planned.

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Sent from my iPad