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To: Local Plan
Subject: The plan that completely alters our living environment for the worse.

Dear all

The more we research the plans put forward for our area, the more horrified we become. There are so many points it is hard to know what to discuss.

We live in the village of Appleton, a quiet area with open spaces and beautiful walks. The main snag of living in this beautiful area is the road network. We have few facilities, having to travel to Stockton Heath for shopping or further into Warrington. This is a nightmare as the traffic is so unpredictable and we usually suffer bottle necks. Heading in the opposite direction to M56 means we have to negotiate the terrible staggered junction with the Cat and Lion, another potential bottleneck. The number of bridges across the ship canal is already inadequate for the volume of housing we currently have. The new proposals suggest vast numbers of housing in South Warrington, on Green Belt, with no consideration for the infrastructure. We suggest the issue of transport, both public and private, should be resolved with the extra capacity needed evident to all before anything else is decided.

The scale of housing in this area is staggering. Boris Johnson declared at the Conservative Party Conference that 'new homes should not be built on 'green fields''. We understood that the new focus should be on boosting construction on brownfield sites, which have been previously developed and are less controversial locations for housing. There are many such areas in Warrington, Fiddler's Ferry being an example of one that is being developed. The town centre houses many more areas that should be developed, improving the town centre and making use of public transport in the area.

We have just spent a while listening to the climate change debate and COP 26. The concern for our planet and our area is tangible. Yet this plan will result in green belt being eroded. Despite the new Green Belt boundary being confirmed only 7 years ago in a plan to be good for 20 years, there is now a plan for more Green Belt release, without and explanation of justification. How can we trust our politicians, going forward?

Please reject this current plan and think again. We understand the need for housing, but there is no need to go about it in this brutal way.

Yours in disbelief
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