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To: Local Plan
Subject: Local plan objections

To whom it may concern

I am writing to object to the current local plan proposals on the following basis: -

- The plan does not detail how already stretched services will be catered for such as schooling/medical and public transport, how will these be developed and funded. It currently takes hours for residents to get through to Stockton heath medical centre and this is not covid related. Adding thousands into the area will implode already overstretched services. We have been promised improvements to centres in the south such as Broomfields for decades and are yet to see any investment, undoubtedly this will be no different
- The plan relies upon developers and other external funding to facilitate the works, is this approach realistic and deliverable given examples of this not being delivered elsewhere
- The plan doesn't allow for increased traffic, pollution and infrastructure issues on already overwhelmed roads. Peel holdings haven't serviced the swing bridges for years and it only take them to swing in peak hours for the whole area to be ground to a halt with current traffic levels. Adding thousands for more vehicles on the already bloated routes is not viable. Essentially the plan will make the entire area a car park
- The number of new homes to be build it higher than the most recent growth estimates – are the numbers the report based on therefore really reliable
- The timescales for the plan are also illogical, surely this should be reduced so more regular review can take place on more reliable forecasts
- Other brown field sites appear to have not been full explored before moving to build on green space. The report fails to demonstrate that these areas are fully developed before the green spaces are lost forever. We all know greenfield is cheaper for developers, however please put residents before commercial greed.
- Is the release of greenbelt fully justified given the false/outdated information the report is using
- The plan focuses on the large area of greenbelt M6/M56 – mainly focused on logistics. Is this really the ambition we want for Warrington to be a logistics hub for low paid/lower skilled jobs. Surely we want to bring employers to the area that provide long term skilled jobs for the area – i.e. we could become an engineering hub for the UK
- Finally and quite laughably we received a letter from the council recently at half term asking parents of year 5 and 6 children to not gather together with other pupils over the half term and undertake activities outdoors. The letter stating for us to “ enjoy the many green spaces in the area” the same green spaces you are about to annihilate in this ill thought out programme. Given COP26 green spaces are more needed than ever and we must do all we can to focus on brownfield sites – such as the Unilever/Fiddlers ferry sites before moving to greenfield. For once can WBC please not be led by the nose by developers and show some ambition for their residents.

I live in hope that some sense will finally prevail in this madness.

Yours sincerely

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