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**To:** Local Plan  
**Subject:** Local Plan observations

Dear Sir/madam,

I am writing with my observations and objections to the proposed local plan.

Having reviewed the plan I feel that it is missing some key points and missing addressing some parts that would cause a wider problem for both South Warrington and Warrington as a whole:

- Transport infrastructure - insufficient flow and routes at present mean that congestion will increase and also smog and a degradation of air quality for the residents and children.
- Access to Warrington from South Warrington is already difficult to central/north Warrington - over 3 number small bridges or round the m6/m62 • Rail access - all north of the ship canal so to access need to go over the over worked bridges!
- Facilities -
  - All supermarket and large shopping facilities are north of the canal - over aforementioned bridges.
  - Hospital and Doctors facilities - I don't see any solution to the overloaded current facilities and also the access to them - my wife and I actually transferred to Countess of Chester for our second child because parking is a nightmare and stressful at the best of times at Warrington - needs fixing even without the extra influx of housing/people.
  - Schooling - when are the new schools to be built, before, during or after the housing.
- Housing - 30% affordable homes, so the people in those will be the managers in the industrial estate (6/56) rather than the workers - no car sharing and more traffic on M6 and through the town to get to work for people form more affordable properties elsewhere. COP26 doesn't apply to Warrington?

Having worked in planning seems this is more a case of meeting developers needs and also utilising land bought by the council? There appears to be no cohesive plan to make a sustainable infrastructure or address the actual needs of the area - creating more jobs is great, but as there is currently a national shortage of labour (I now work in the manufacturing industry and we are always short of people), particularly in the haulage sector where are this people going to come from. And they won't live local due to lack of affordable housing (30%) in the plan.

The plan will also destroy the distinctive "village" feel of south Warrington.

Whilst I am in no way against development because of my aforementioned background in planning I believe that the plan should address the logistical issues that currently exist and I have mentioned above and also reflect the great character and history of the area rather than bulldozing a plan through and leaving future generations to work out how to deal with the effects.

Regards,

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Sent from my iPhone