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Dear Sir/madam

In our opinion the grossly oversized development in South Warrington is pure vandalism of the open countryside; it is one of the only few remaining places around Warrington with natural open space and countryside which is proposed to be destroyed by greedy developers and Councillors who have no idea of the impact that this will have on the residents living in this area.

It has been badly thought out and basically railroaded through when it is unnecessary with the extra buildings that could be built on at Fiddlers Ferry power station and other brownfield sites. It is not just greenbelt it is also picturesque countryside.

The infrastructure is not capable of coping with the extra traffic that the development would create, if not one but two cars per household would overwhelm the already busy system. The routes over the Bridgewater canal are Grappenhall Village, which is single lane with traffic lights, Lumb Brook bridge which is also single lane with traffic lights, Red lane is a single lane hump back bridge and the other road is London Road going through Stockton Heath Village which is already overwhelmed at rush hour and the extra traffic would destroy the quality of life in Stockton Heath Village in addition to the added noise and air pollution it will bring.

The traffic would try and find alternative routes creating rat-runs bringing more danger to local children and residents. The other crossing we have to negotiate is the Ship canal and Mersey crossing; the ship canal has 3 bridges which are over 100 years old which are constantly breaking down and needing maintenance. The extra crossing at the Mersey on Chester Road has had no impact to reduce the traffic through Warrington town and when the M6 is closed, which happens regularly, the town comes to a standstill with traffic coming off the motorway and finding alternative routes.

The 2 current senior Schools are badly placed for parents dropping off and collecting children, Bridgewater Lower particularly has poor access and the traffic is already chaotic during school times and the local recent plans to extend the 2 Schools is just patching up instead of looking forward to the future and closing both lower and upper schools and building a modern academy which would be future proofed and could house all years with one central point and also include a sports Centre which is desperately needed in this area, the old school sites could then accommodate housing and it wouldn't spoil the open aspect which you are planning to do.

Transport has not been considered effectively and the plan is not sound, the expectation that people travel to work by walking, cycling and public transport is simply unrealistic. The consequences will be increased motor vehicle traffic movements through the already congested road network.

No consideration has been given to the medical center the Dudlows Green/Stretton practice is currently overwhelmed and consideration needs to be given to a new health center that will better serve the community

Warrington Borough Council cannot manage South Warrington already with no investment being spent South of the river, we do not think they are competent enough to maintain and manage the proposed development in South Warrington

Yours sincerely

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