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Warrington Borough Council

15th November 2021

Dear Sir,

Re: Objection to the 2021 Warrington Local Plan Consultation

I would like to raise my objection to the above proposed plan on the following grounds:

1. The local infrastructure is simply not capable of supporting the proposed number of new houses across the region. Even prior to the developments already under way we have observed significant impact on the roads with delays and queues becoming the norm at certain times of the day.
2. The idea of using green belt designated areas within the development plan whilst ignoring perfectly suitable brownfield sites is scandalous. The whole idea of defining an area as green belt is to help retain it as farmland, woodland and recreational areas. More thought should be given to saving what little countryside we have and, if we have to build, then use the brownfield sites first.
3. The plan fails to identify precisely how these large developments are going to be supported in areas like health care. Most people have experienced the difficulty we already have in contacting our medical centres and the delays in getting treatment. Throwing up many thousands of additional properties without firm plans on how this is going to be addressed is shameful and will surely make an already desperate situation even worse.
4. There appears to be little thought put into how the increased need for a reliable public transport service will be introduced or funded (it's bad enough in the more rural areas as it is without further demand being added).
5. Schools are under huge pressure but there is little or no detail about how the education system will be developed or added to in order to cater for the extra demand in the plan.
6. There can be little justification in the numbers of new houses being proposed when recent calculations suggest that Warrington's future population is likely to be smaller than has been used in the plan. The requirement is expected to be less whereas the plan is suggesting the annual build target is higher than have ever been built before.

Yours faithfully,

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