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**From:** Laura Shaw [REDACTED]  
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**To:** Local Plan  
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Dear Sirs

As a resident of Warrington I wish to express my dissatisfaction with the proposed local plan and in particular the extent of the proposed development upon green belt land in South Warrington. The proposals appear to entirely disregard central government policy regarding urban creep and the surrender of green belt land, which it is acknowledged should only be done as a last resort. The council appears to have entirely disregarded all other brownfield redevelopment options at the expense of the green spaces around the borough. This will have a catastrophic effect on the environment as a whole as well as irreversibly changing the nature of our villages, the popularity of which are largely based on the easy access to semi rural landscapes.

As governments around the world declare and agree that we are in the middle of an environmental climate emergency, the plan to decimate Warrington's green spaces, introducing even more traffic and pollution to overloaded road systems makes no sense. It is irresponsible and threatens the viability of our environment for years to come.

Practically speaking, the scale of the planned development is entirely at odds with the capacity of the existing infrastructure, with no sensible commitment made to upgrade and improve this. The roads are already at full capacity as are the medical and educational amenities in the area, particularly in the South of the borough.

The justification for the scale of the development is not supported by the actual growth in the town and surrounding areas and the suggestion of the housing provision in the south east urban extension being "affordable" is frankly nonsense.

All in all, I firmly believe that the local plan is fundamentally flawed and is not sound. I strongly urge the council to reconsider the plan and explore other more genuinely sustainable options before sacrificing huge swathes of valuable green space.

Yours faithfully

Laura Shaw

Warrington resident