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I wish to protest most vehemently about the local plan as proposed.

1 The Green Belt should not be used for housing, especially as any development in South Warrington would not include affordable homes for existing Warrington residents, young and older, who are typically on lower incomes, but would only bring in people from outside the area who would not bring anything to the area apart from overloading an already overloaded NHS and education system.

Once it's gone, it's gone, and acres and acres of housing and warehousing, rather than space to relax and connect with nature in an ever-more stressful world, is surely not a legacy that should be considered for future generations.

There are enough brownfield sites in and around Warrington centre, some of which are eyesores and attract antisocial behaviour, to enable the Council and developers to provide a broad range of housing and amenities appropriate to the needs of local residents, who are most likely to use the facilities in the regenerated town centre.

2 Now that the Port Warrington and South West Urban Extension at Walton has been deleted from the plan, the Western Link is a white elephant and totally unnecessary, as the Slutchers Lane link is working really well and there is rarely any congestion in the centre of town. The costs of realising this project, even with the Government grant, will have increased by at least 30-40% and this is money that Warrington has to find itself.

This project would only be of benefit to people from outside Warrington who just want to avoid paying the tolls for the Runcorn bridges, and why should Warrington residents pay for that.

This money must be spent on other more beneficial projects - a much-needed new hospital, better health/family/young persons care throughout the Borough. If any money is to be spent on transport links, this should be targeted at the Latchford side of town, especially if more housing is to be built in that area up towards the M6.

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