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**From:** Andy Blackshaw [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 15 November 2021 16:14  
**To:** Local Plan  
**Subject:** Local Plan - greenbelt destruction.

Dear sir/madam, I am writing to express my objections to the development of the greenbelt land around Warrington south.

My wife and I have lived in Warrington all of our lives, and find this threat to some of the few remaining pieces of green belt land in Warrington, and the accompanying increase in overcrowding to be devastating.

We've seen so much of the areas in and around Warrington "developed" into housing and we have already lost lots of open land. It doesn't seem to be stopping until there is nowhere left to build.

I don't believe that there is a need for so many more new homes, and the existing infrastructure can't cope with the number of homes already here.

To add to that ,the current COP26 climate talks have tried to highlight the importance of trees and natural landscapes, and here we are in Warrington, building on it all, with each house having approximately 2 cars, adding to overall pollution, congestion, and reduction in air quality.

There would also be extra burden on already stretched hospitals, dentists, doctors, and utilities.

Every road and motorway now has queues on, unless you travel at unusual hours.

Lockdown has meant that enjoying open spaces is paramount in peoples physical and mental wellbeing, and with more people working from home now, there should be less need to travel, but the roads are still overstretched.

I see many empty industrial units in and around Warrington, the town centre seems to be dying out, paths, pavements, cycle routes, and public amenities are already badly maintained. Warrington can't cope at the moment, regardless of the proposed extra workload.

I would have expected that before any more housing is built, there needs to be a vast improvement in mobility and existing services.

I've seen the parish councils questions and objections, and they all seem perfectly valid and should be addressed impartially before this terrible destruction takes place.

Most people would like to improve the world for their families and future generations. I can't see how more and more building is going to do that.

I believe that the plan is not sound, not justified, not deliverable, not in line with local needs, and not good for the people of Warrington, or the health of the planet.

I hope you will take my views into consideration when making your decision, and I hope that the countryside will be protected.

Kind regard, Andy Blackshaw.

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