

# Proposed Submission Version Local Plan

## PART A - About You

1. Please complete the following:

Please note the email address (if provided below) will be sent a full copy of the submitted response and a unique reference number.

**Name of person completing the form:** Keith Gardiner

**Email address:** [REDACTED]

2. What type of respondent are you? Please select one option only.  
If you are an agent please select the type of client you are representing.

A local resident who lives in Warrington

3. Please provide your contact details:

	Contact details
<b>Organisation name (if applicable)</b>	-
<b>Agent name (if applicable)</b>	Keith Gardiner
<b>Address 1</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>Address 2</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>Postal Town</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>Postcode</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>Telephone number</b>	[REDACTED]

## PART B - Representation Form 1

1. To which part of the Local Plan does this representation relate?

From the drop down list please select one option.

Objective 4

2. What does your comment relate to? Please select one option.

A specific policy sub-number (s)

**If a paragraph or policy sub-number then please use the box below to list. (For example - Policy MD2.1 part 3 or paragraph 10.2.13 etc as applicable).**

INF-Sustainable travel and transport

3. Do you consider the Draft Local Plan to be: Please select one option in each row.

	Yes	No
<b>Legally Compliant</b>	X	
<b>Sound</b>		X
<b>Compliant with the Duty to Co-operate</b>	X	

4. If you have answered 'No' to any of the options in the above question then please give details in the box below of why you consider the Draft Local Plan is not legally compliant or is unsound or fails to comply with the duty to co-operate.

Please be as precise as possible.

I consider that the DLP is unsound in that while the Transport Model Testing for the Warrington road network as a whole indicates that the increase in delay times etc may be acceptable, overall it does not consider the pinch points in the local road system associated with crossing the Bridgewater and Ship Canals

There are no improvements proposed to address the crossings of the Bridgewater at Lumb Brook and Stanny Lunt Bridge which are subject to one-way working due to the width constraints. An increase of the traffic from thousands of new houses will soon make these bottlenecks practically unusable a peak times and will force traffic onto the A49, which is already very congested through Stockton Heath High Street, and onto the A50, the link road to the M6/M56 Junction which cannot cope effectively with the current local traffic.

Also, the swing bridges over the Ship Canal are obvious bottlenecks and increasing the capacity of the proposed high-level crossing will not do much to solve this as it just links to the local roads, which there don't appear to be any plans to improve. Any new high-level bridge should at least cross the Bridgewater Canal as well.

It appears that WBC does not want the residents of the new housing estates to access Warrington Town Centre and is encouraging them to commute to Manchester and Liverpool via the Motorway system, using Warrington as a dormitory, while causing misery to those using the unimproved local roads

In summary, the proposed Plan does almost nothing to improve the "efficiency of the transport network, tackling congestion, reducing carbon emissions and improving air quality" and so cannot be considered as Sound.

5. If you answered 'Yes' to any of the options in question 3 then please give details in the box below the reasons why you support the legal compliance or soundness of the Draft Local Plan or its compliance with the duty to co-operate.

Please be as precise as possible.

You have made a plausible case.

6. Please set out what modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Draft Local Plan legally compliant or sound, having regard to the test you have identified above where this relates to soundness. (NB please note that any non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination).

You will need to say why this modification will make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound. It would be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text.

Please be as precise as possible.

The plan should model the existing local road network around the crossing points at the Bridgewater and Ship canals and implement improvements to ensure that the traffic flows smoothly and efficiently when flows are increased by the construction of the new houses in South Warrington without relying on everyone walking and cycling which is unlikely to happen, even though it is desirable.

7. If your representation is seeking a modification, do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination? Please select one option.

No, I do not wish to participate at the oral examination

You have just completed a Representation Form for Objective 4.

Please select what you would you like to do now?

Complete the final part of the form, Customer 'About You' questions and submit response **(Part C)**