# **Proposed Submission Version Local Plan**

### **PART A - About You**

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: Susan Edwards

Email address:

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
Organisation name (if applicable)	-
Agent name (if applicable)	-
Address 1	
Address 2	-
Postal Town	
Postcode	
Telephone number	

## **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.

Plan as a whole

8. If you wish to upload documents to support your representation form then please select 'choose file' below. You can upload a max number of 2 files (up to 25MB each).

If you are submitting more than one representation form please note: If this file upload supports more than one representation form then please do not attempt to upload the same file on subsequent forms. On additional representation forms please use the comments/file description box to type in the 'name of the file', or 'see previous form'.

If the file upload is a different document for additional representation forms then please continue to upload the file as normal.

File: Local Plan Submission S. Edwards.pdf -

You have just completed a Representation Form for Plan as a whole.

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)

### Dear Planning Team

I have thought long and hard about what I want to say. Please give your time to reading my comments. They may not be new to you but they are heartfelt.

We came to live in 3 years ago to be close to family. Our son and daughter-inlaw are hard-working doctors, we have been able to care for their children whilst enjoying a new life in the beautiful north west. They share our concerns with regards to the impact of the Local Plan on Lymm in particular.

Therefore, I will restrict our comments to the way in which we feel the Plan relates to Lymm, us, our children and grandchildren's future.

Firstly, we do see the need to plan for additional housing and living spaces. We are particularly pleased that it has been recognised that the current Health provision is not adequate for the size of the current and future Lymm population. We are therefore thankful that a new additional Health Centre is being included in the Plans.

We would prefer the Green Belt to be left as such and wonder why this particular Green Belt site, adjacent to the M6/M56 junction with Cherry Lane, has been designated for development.

So our main issue with the Plan is this extremely large acreage, half the size of the whole of Lymm, which has been chosen to be developed for 'employment purposes'. If another 'distribution and logistics hub', the impact would be disastrous. As a science park, which we understand is an alternative use of the site, the impact could be less environmentally damaging.

#### Our current concerns are:

- 1. To develop such a massive area only 2 miles from Lymm's centre would cause increased levels of pollution, traffic, noise and congestion whatever its purpose.
- 2. Lymm has a very limited road infrastructure and restricted ways in and out. In the event of the motorways becoming restricted or closed, it begs the question, 'where would all the vehicles go?' Cherry Lane only feeds into Lymm! A nightmare scenario! Lymm residents would become prisoners!
- 3. With low levels of local available housing, all employees on this site would have to commute quite long distances. There is no public transport.
- 4. Cherry Lane is Lymm's only real exit to the wider world. The roundabout junctions are currently extremely busy and dangerous.
- 5. Have sufficient Traffic Surveys been carried out to assess the impact of increased HGV traffic at these junctions? What are the plans to deal with the layout of the roads and the handling of a greater influx of heavy vehicles? The layout as it stands cannot cope with current levels, let alone a major increase.
- 6. Air pollution is not something that can be contained at source. Lymm is in close proximity to very heavy traffic already, surely in depth studies need to address the potential health risks of increasing all aspects of the use of this piece of land.
- 7. Why is it necessary to develop this piece of land into another concrete desert anyway? Logistics companies have covered so much land adjacent to these local motorways already. Surely they could be used more efficiently. We are supposed to be reducing, not increasing our need for motor transport.
- 8. Why develop an area which has the potential to be so environmentally UNfriendly when today world leaders are trying to tackle Climate Change? This whole issue seems to fly in the face of progress towards a cleaner, healthier and more sustainable Warrington.
- 9. If developing this site is inevitable, a science park could bring real benefits to the Warrington area. Although it would still put great pressure on the local road infrastructure, the site could be designed with conservation, green energy and low pollution in mind, impacting less on the environment. A high technology hub would bring a variety of employment to a diverse workforce.

Let's be innovative and imaginative in our use of our precious land and people. Let's bring interesting diversity to the whole of Warrington!

Thank you for reading my comments and concerns.

Please keep me informed of your discussions.

Sincerely,

Susan Edwards