

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: James Nulty

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

Plan as a whole

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

None of the above

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

	Yes	No
Legally Compliant		
Sound		X
Compliant with the Duty to Co-operate		

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 don't think this plan is sound as it is bringing in a lot more houses and therefore people and therefore cars and therefore more pollution and traffic congestion. There is also the issue of the swing bridges not being fit for purpose with the traffic loads of today never mind with potentially several thousand more cars. The current general service infrastructure i.e roads, hospitals, doctors surgeries, dentists and very importantly schools is already seriously overloaded and unless these areas are addressed prior to any houses being built then the area is going to be in a mess. I do not see anything in the plan for resolving these issues, particularly the traffic, prior to any building commencing. If the normal system works here it will be years after building has commenced and possibly been completed before any work on these issues has been addressed. The issue of air pollution in the area generally and particularly along London Road is barely mentioned and considering if 2400 houses are built then that will generally mean at least another 4000 cars commuting in an area that already has poor air quality. Please remember that many children walk along London Rd on their journey to school. Is it fair on them and their families to expose them to even more risk than they have today when all we are hearing is we must reduce pollution and here is Warrington Council putting a Plan forward with barely a mention of this very important issue.

Then there is the Green Belt issue I do not see the point in designating areas as Green Belt and then just taking a bite out of it whenever it suits. I am sure there are a lot more brownfield sites that can be utilised before there is a need to start looking at using Green Belt. When all the brownfield sites have been utilised then perhaps the time has come to stop trying to build houses in the area because there is no space available for them other than the land that makes the area what it is. It was designated as Green Belt for a reason which I assume was to protect the area from becoming overpopulated and giving residents some green space to wander in.

The Plan also shows 137 hectares for industrial development on Green Belt which is obviously going to bring in lots more HGV traffic into the area which will also exacerbate the existing air quality issues, I wonder if this drive for more houses by the Council has something to do with its desire to gain Warrington its much desired city status.

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.

My solutions to making this Plan "sound" are given in my response to question 4. I.e address the pollution and air quality issues. Guarantee to put the necessary infrastructure in place prior to or in conjunction with any proposed housing building completion dates. Utilise all brownfield sites prior to even considering utilising Green Belt. Also consider the impact on the existing communities if all of their green areas are taken because once you start taking what you say is only 5% it usually follows that once a piece has been taken and the seal, if you will, has been broken there is soon another and another until it is all gone.

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 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)**