

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: Helen Pemberton

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

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 |
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| Legally Compliant | X | |
| Sound | | X |
| Compliant with the Duty to Co-operate | 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.

There is little evidence within the plan that the assumptions with regard to delivery of infrastructure can be achieved. To be sound, the plan must be Effective: deliverable over its period based on effective joint working on cross-boundary strategic priorities. Delivery of primary schools, shops and more particular sustainable transport is not within the gift of WBC and requires the "buy-in" from delivery partners. How these will be achieved within the timescales for the plan has not been discussed. There is some evidence that there have been consultation within Homes England, but they are landowners only and not development partners.

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.

I am not suitably qualified to answer yes or no to either of these questions. It would have been more sensible to include a "Don't know"!

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.

More evidence should be provided as to how WBC will achieve delivery of this critical infrastructure and to extent to which it is confident that the provision will be delivered with it's partners. For example, engagement with the local bus provider as the transport provision in Warrington falls far short of similar sized towns, through conditions on planning etc. I see no mention at all in the plan around sustainability other than transport, but I think to be honest that this is lip service. The reality is that the housing that will be delivered will be of an "executive" type where people drive to work in Liverpool/Manchester.

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

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.

Comments/file description

As a general point (and it's not clear where to put this!), there's no where to put comments of a general nature. The reason we chose Warrington over neighbouring (and more "prestigious" boroughs) was because of the green space. Whilst I accept that we cannot assume green space would always remain so, there would remain very little to attract Warrington to us if this scheme goes ahead as currently drafted - transport within Warrington is atrocious, traffic is a nightmare at times and the town centre, while slowly improving is put in the shade compared to other surrounding towns. There seems to be an enduring argument that Warrington needs to grow therefore needs new housing. Its not clear from the Local Plan why it is the case that Warrington needs to grow and to the extent set out in the Local Plan. I remain sceptical (based on experience elsewhere) that the infrastructure promised within this Local Plan is capable of being delivered; I also remain sceptical that the programme of house building is appropriate or deliverable with an aging population and decreasing birth rate. I could not see where there had been any modelling based on estimated population growth and migration

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)**