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: Gillian Lett

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)	Gillian Lett
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

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

None of the above

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).

Whole Plan soundness

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

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

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.

Please refer to attached letter.

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.

N/A.

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.

Please refer to the attached letter.

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.

Yes, I wish to participate at the oral examination

If you wish to participate at the oral part of the examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary:

Full public involvement is necessary at the Examination stage.

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: GL Rejection of Local Plan Nov 2021.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)

Local Plan, Planning Policy and Programmes Growth Directorate Warrington Borough Council East annexe Town Hall, Sankey Street Warrington WA1 1HU



15th November 2021

To Whom It May Concern

Re: Rejection of Updated Proposed Submission Version (PSV) Local Plan 2021

We would like to register our rejection of the Updated PSV Local Plan 2021.

The whole Plan is highly ambitious and is unnecessary in its scale, especially in its aim to create the South East Warrington Urban Extension as it would destroy the lovely individual and historic villages which distinguish South Warrington, creating a huge sprawl of high-density housing on valuable Green Belt land and losing each village's identity. We feel that the identity of each village should be fiercely protected and that Warrington Borough Council respect the history and protect its Green Belt, not destroy it for future generations.

The fact that the number of proposed houses within SEWUE has been reduced to 2,400 – there is still the potential to build a further 1,800 outside of the plan – which means that effectively, this unacceptable proposal remains the same, just the timeline moved. This also applies to the wider plans across Warrington. There should be **no** plan for further housing numbers outside of this plan timeline, as the numbers have been removed from the Plan.

Moving more specifically to Stretton, we feel that the area around St Matthew's Church and St Matthew's CE Primary School should be protected, especially the Green Belt land situated on Stretton Road/Tarporley Road, as proposed by Miller Homes. This land remains in Green Belt and should not be re-allocated outside. There is no exception circumstance to do so. Also, given the necessity for car reliance, any build on this land would result in over-capacity at the Cat & Lion junction and beyond. It will also increase the dangerous 'rat-run' along Stretton Road and Hatton Lane.

In summary, we feel that there should be no housing on Green Belt until Brownfield sites have been built of first and that this should be the leading strategy of the Local Plan.

2) The proposed infrastructure does not effectively meet the level of demand the proposed level of housing would create. The cost for the infrastructure has not been soundly evidenced and again, with specific reference to Stretton, the expected improvements proposed at the Cat & Lion junction has not yet been undertaken in line with a condition of the recent housing approvals. This holds no confidence that large scale infrastructure could be delivered by the Council.

Increased development within South Warrington does not represent sound judgement when congestion is already an issue and needs to be addressed.

There are inconsistencies within the documentation as to what infrastructure is required within what timeframe and how many houses it supports. This is further evidence that the Plan supporting documentation does not substantiate the growth plans of WBC and is not considered at a stage to be submitted for Examination.

In summary, we feel strongly that the plan is not sound and fails to meet the requirements of National Policy in the 'National Planning Policy Framework'. The plan should be revisited fully and subject to further Public Consultation.

Yours faithfully

Gillian Lett

Andrew Lett