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Letter of Objection to preferred development option & TPT Bypass

27th September 2018

I Have lived in Grappenhall all my life for nearly [REDACTED] years and the proposed plan that is set for the next 20 years to build extra housing is both absolutely ludicrous and heartbreaking.

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When I heard about these plans to basically destroy our green belt I could not believe that the village I grew up in would be unrecognisable [REDACTED] within the next 20 years.

Our main issue or one that mostly concerns us is the traffic element ...not 3 weeks ago there was a bridge problem on the Thelwall viaduct motorway.... the traffic throughout Grappenhall was at a complete standstill. People were abandoning cars and walking through no hope of getting home it caused absolute chaos and all I could think about was what will it be like when there are 6000 (approx) more housesmore cars per household.....more traffic added to an already impossible situation. Warrington has always been a problem area when it comes to traffic, if there are any issues on the motorway, we as a town suffer the consequences.

This will I'm sure become more problematic [REDACTED] as increased traffic will be coming through the village to find links to town. The village itself where the school is has already shown dangers of heavy traffic and congestion as there is no additional parking for parents as it is. I believe the land opposite the school has been earmarked for potential country park ...what will be the access to this park and what safety measures will be put into place to ensure the safety of our children?

Reverting back to traffic, the public transport in this town is poor at best there is no provision to travel by any other way such as bicycle ...other areas of the uk and other countries have proper bicycle paths dedicated to them why has this never been instigated.

Don't get me wrong we always knew there was going to be extra housing built up at Grappenhall Heys leading to Appleton as the infrastructure has been in place for years and because we expected this I suppose it was a given that this would be happening. At Present, we are segregated into our own little villages, grappenhall village, grappenhall heys, appleton etc ...I feel that building the 'Garden City Suburb' will make us feel all as one with no identity and the beauty of the village the cobbled streets, the short walk to countryside will be lost!!!

We like I'm sure many other residents in this village don't want to live in a city if we'd have wanted to live in a city we would have moved to Manchester, Liverpool, London. This area of Warrington appeals to many people because of its semi-rural feel and people move here from cities.

There are many points that I could expand on but I feel that Warrington's bid to become a city isn't something that is wanted by the people of Warrington but rather the heirarchy of the leaders of this town.

On a final note my son asked me what I was doing when he saw me writing this letter ... I explained in his terms that there were plans to build houses through the village where we drive through most days and that all that lovely greenery and wildlife will be lost. His reaction was 'please don't let them do that mummy where will we ride on our bikes and breathe in the fresh air'Exactly I thought ...Exactly.

Shouldn't we be listening to our children who are the future of this town???

Yours sincerely

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