

Principal Objections to the Local Plan Review

To whom it may concern,

We strongly object for the following reasons:

- There is a loss of almost all our open space in South Warrington which will adversely affect the culture and character of surrounding villages and deny all of Warrington residents leisure opportunities.
- Which government department's official policy designated a methodology for assessment of green belt as weak, moderate or strong?
- Green belt is green belt and should remain, so that fields, woodlands and natural habitats are not destroyed.
- The plan does not demonstrate what the exceptional circumstances for change of green belt use are.
- The need for 24,000 houses is grossly over-exaggerated in relation to two recent government department projections.
- Adopting a lower number of new homes per annum and use of brownfield sites would significantly reduce the amount of green belt land needed.
- There is no evidence of a detailed traffic survey and an over reliance on computer software, as stated by your traffic officers, of similar areas, is naïve in the extreme.
- The proposed infrastructure of roads and highways will do nothing to alleviate the congestion already experienced in the town and surrounding areas. With the new Mersey bridge crossing being tolled one would assume that roads through Warrington will become rat runs.

We would support a plan which is genuinely based on local needs, respects our landscape and natural habitats and is based on quality not quantity.

Yours sincerely, 