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## **Objection to Development Plan for Warrington**

Dear Sir

I am writing to object to the proposed plan to develop Warrington - In particular the areas in South Warrington. I understand that more houses are needed, but this proposal does not create a sustainable development plan.

Comparing with the existing developments around the Longwood Road area, this plan is so over the top that it will completely change and destroy the environments of the currently outlying villages like Stretton, Appleton Thorn, Grappenhall and also more importantly Stockton Heath.

Who wants a city? Is it just an ego-trip by the Council?

River and canal crossings are currently the major travel problem in Warrington, so a vastly increased conurbation will not be supportable by two new crossings.

I feel a Stockton Heath bypass is needed now, as traffic can crawl through it several times in the day. This the crux of the problem. There is no way to seamlessly connect the two halves of Warrington due to river and canals passing through the middle.

The proposed western bypass will merely serve as a free alternative to the Runcorn bridge. It is debatable whether the proposed new eastern crossing will alleviate town centre traffic flows.

The proposed industrial area near the junction of the M6 and M56 will no doubt turn out to be just another distribution area of predominantly low-paid jobs. These workers will not be housed in the South Warrington area where house costs are so high. So who is going to buy the new houses in South Warrington?

South Warrington is currently an area with much commuting into adjacent cities like Manchester, Chester and Liverpool. A huge increase in housing will not be of great benefit to Warrington and will certainly have a serious impact on local motorways.

Yours Sincerely

