

Ref:- WA4 Proposed Future Plans.

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PDO 2140

Dear Sir,

Having lived in the Warrington area for nearly years I can honestly say that I have been happy with the area, its location and facilities. However this proposal leaves me nothing but disgusted, the new plan is unfair and reckless in the way it inflicts upon local residents.

No real thought has gone into it and no consultations over the proposals have taken place before decisions have been made. The announcement has become as a shock to most local residents and they feel pressurised by political decisions forced upon them without consideration.

The plans do not improve local conditions and are a result of "Political Pressure" on an unknown level.

There are many reasons why objections should be made and reconsideration is a must. Some points for consideration are :-

(a) The plan engulfs green belt which should be protected for ever in our present

climate in the area of Lymn, Thelwall, Grappenhall, ⁽²⁾
Letchford and Appleton.

(b) To produce a new road affects many communities in terms of disruption (and disaster) to houses, land use, noise effects, pollution and more to the point excess travel and disruption in an area which is already overloaded, grid-locked, subject to motorway problems and traffic delays. More inbound or external feeding of traffic into the present situation will cause standstill and chaos.

(c) The area local to me cannot cope with more houses. The land is subject to flooding and has insufficient suitable drains to cope with our present situation never mind expansion and future plans.

(d) Whoever thought we need a city? We have for many years (40+) have had a good, friendly and sociable setup in Warrington which caters for all - good housing, generally good roads, a good network location and a friendly and progressive attitude to living. Future plans proposed will not improve the present situation - in fact many people will decide (as already has happened) to leave Warrington under the circumstances.

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(e) How can you justify 20,000 + houses will be needed in the future? According to National Statistics, even if Warrington expands, we will not need all those houses in the future (perhaps half). In fact the National Building Programme for new houses has decreased recently and it suggests all predicted building is not being met (particularly in certain areas).

(f) No thought has been given to the distress caused to local communities over the disruption to properties and facilities. We do not have enough schools, the hospital services are now at a limit, social services cannot cope now and doctor's surgeries are overloaded. So how can even more development and pressures improve the present and future situations. (Even though some new facilities and services may be introduced.) There is nothing that might stop staff shortages.

In conclusion I cannot see the need for development in Warrington to cope with a not needed and unpredicted influx of population requiring services which will not be available due to the pressures already in existence.

The acquisition of protected land is far from satisfactory and the conditions produced will affect existing residents as a result of over population, pollution, noise, misuse of land, lack of essential and social services.

Warrington Borough Council need to think seriously again at the consequences and disaster caused by their proposals.

Confirmation of receipt of this letter would be appreciated (perhaps with comments).

Yours faithfully,