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Planning Policy and Programmes  
Warrington Borough Council

Dear Sirs,

**Re consultation on Preferred Development Option for WBC Local Plan: Sir Thomas Boteler CE High School**

I am writing on behalf of the trustees of the Boteler Educational Trust regarding aspects of the PDO which is currently out for consultation.

Whilst it is recognised that the the Council is at the start of the process of looking at options, and no detailed work has yet been carried out on preferred lines, there is a reference in the document to the potential of using the disused railway line as a road and a link to a further crossing of the ship canal.

The disused railway line runs on an embankment along the full length of the boundary of the school and a road in that position would have a number of aspects which would be of concern to the trustees. These would include the visual impact; the loss of an important area for plants and wildlife; the danger of moving traffic at an elevated position so near to a recreational area and the level of air pollution.

There are other aspects of the Local Plan which would also have an impact on the school such as plans to open new schools.

The trustees ask that the these points be taken into consideration and that they be consulted at the various stages in the preparation of the Local Plan.

Yours faithfully,

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Boteler Educational Trust