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Comments: As a Geography and Town Planning Graduate I feel that the current proposed housing developments in the areas adjacent to Red Lane show a lack of foresight for a number of reasons:

- Environmentally the developments would destroy areas of vegetation that sustain wildlife habitats. At best creatures would be displaced.
- Aesthetically these green areas of beauty at the edge of Warrington would continue to shrink reducing the amenity value of the area. This would reduce the appeal of this area to high skilled labour who help support modern, technologically forward looking economies. Destroying this renders us less attractive to highly skilled labour and undermines the future economy of Warrington as companies move elsewhere to take advantage of more appropriate labour supplies (see the M4 corridor as an exemplar). If we are serious as a town and committed to the vision of being an integral part of the 'Northern Powerhouse' then we would do well not to exclude ourselves from this opportunity by rendering ourselves less attractive to this type of labour.
- Traffic congestion is clearly an issue and Red Lane itself is currently used as a 'rat run'. This coupled with the fact that Red Lane narrows severely on the approach to Hillcliffe Cemetery will

surely impact upon the efficient running of funeral services and other council work in the area. There would be increased inconvenience to current residents and a commensurate increase in noise and air pollution. The major increase in traffic from hundreds of extra houses just in these few proposed plots will also add further pressure at bottlenecks which include the junctions onto the A56 (Chester Road) which are currently already problem areas for traffic during peak periods. Currently we have a very fragile equilibrium between the human and natural environments in this area of Warrington. These proposed developments are just simply not sustainable. Why destroy those areas that our town can be proud of when it would be more advisable to focus any new house building on 'brownfield' sites where there is better transport infrastructure in place and where new housing developments can lead to an improvement in the local environment. I welcome your response to these issues.

Best wishes

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