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Dear Sir/Madam

I wish to register my objection to the proposed WBC Local Plan for the following reasons:-

LP-PSV ISSUES

- Unjustified economic growth based on old data and ambitious assumptions
- Overwhelming house build schemes - 18,900 houses across Warrington by 2037
- Overwhelming commercial premises near Appleton Thorn/ Grappenhall, - situated on approx. 365 hectares of pristine land, some of it precious Green Belt land; premises would be 2nd biggest in the country behind Trafford Park
 - Urban sprawl, 7400 houses in S Warrington alone, mostly around Appleton Thorn; destruction of village character and landscape
 - Unrelenting additional traffic, 2,000 HGVs per hour from Langtree Six/56 commercial warehousing site with 42m high 'sheds'
 - Pollution- air quality/ noise – Warrington already has worst record in the country for dangerous small 2.5-micron particulate emissions. There's a proven link btw exposure to small particulates and premature death (respiratory, heart). Coupled with this is the future health of young people in the town. Figures for asthma and other respiratory diseases within the town should be included in the information regarding the adverse effects of future developments. This coupled with inadequate support services, hospitals, GPs for the present population of the town, never mind the vastly increased number of people. A decision on the siting of a new hospital should be a priority in any new plan. The present one offers vague possibilities for the future, with no cost provision etc.
- Violation of green belt land, no special circumstances to release GB for new build premises. The Local Plan does not outline any exceptional circumstances which would justify the destruction of our precious green belt.

TRANSPORT PLAN LTP4

- Poor transport strategy lacking essential detail – lots of road infrastructure is unplanned or only aspirational across lifetime of the Local Plan. New infrastructure needs to be described in the plan in much more detail. We are being asked to consider the future with vague outlines and possibilities. Bring the plan back with highly detailed drawings.
- Some infrastructure projects (roads and bridges) will be grossly underfunded and therefore whole plan is undeliverable. Costs for major engineering projects are always wildly underestimated. Warrington needs new ways of dealing with the existing traffic congestion to improve the quality of life for its existing inhabitants. Nothing in the plan addresses this. It merely promises more people, more congestion and a level of pollution higher than the present unacceptable standards.

I am aware that some development is required and the Council has to put together a development plan as a Government requirement. However, there have been major new initiatives that have surfaced since the local plan was produced in terms of the use of green belt land, unacceptable levels of pollution and the Government required number for houses to be built within the area. A shorter five year plan would be a much more sensible way forward. Overall both the LP-PSV and LTP4 are unsound, ill-thought out and I believe undeliverable. Please start listening to the people of the town and throw out this developers' charter. I look forward to your reply.

Yours sincerely
Allan Brady.

