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Please accept this email as my objection to the local plan.

I do not support the plan for the following reasons:

- Whilst I understand the need to for development, building on brownfield sites in the town centre should come first. Fiddlers ferry will soon close, freeing up brownfield land appropriate for this.
- Housing targets are decided locally and do not need to match those of London. Forecast numbers in the peak building years greatly exceed historical figures and are unrealistic. It is unrepresentative to use data that is out of date and the most recent figures, which show a much more realistic need for housing, should be used.
- The plan on 20 years is too long. If houses are to be built on the greenbelt, it should be kept to a minimum. A shorter period would mean fewer houses built in the greenbelt.
- The Council is placing too much emphasis on logistics and distribution which are becoming increasingly automated generating fewer jobs. These are 24-hour businesses requiring huge numbers of vehicle movements and considerable space
- The high-value housing planned in the south will not be affordable for employees working at the nearby logistic sites, so they will be bought buy out of town commuters. This will lead to a decline in services and a much weaker sense of community- something important to consider. More affordable housing is needed.
- The Council's vision is for a vibrant town centre surrounded by attractive countryside and distinct settlements. Walton, Grappenhall, Appleton Thorn and Stretton- already vibrant communities- would be destroyed.
- Congestion is already a major problem on roads in the south of the town and at Junction 20 on the M6. Infrastructure must be built before houses, not afterwards. The cost has been underestimated and should be challenged.
- Developers need to deliver these facilities and not be let off the hook.
- Air pollution is increasingly recognised as a serious health problem. Warrington's air pollution is already bad, but increased traffic as a result of these developments will take it to an embarrassing and dangerous level.
- Part of Moore Nature Reserve as well as acres of valuable green land would be lost, despite its vital contribution to the community, wellbeing and health of everyone in the area.

The Plan is not deliverable and needs seriously reconsidered.

Yours Sincerely

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