

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Local Plan](#)  
**Subject:** Representations to the Proposed Submission Version Local Plan.  
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Dear Sir/Madam,

As a resident [REDACTED] I wish to make the following representations to the Proposed Submission Version Local Plan.

I am wholly opposed to all development on Green belt land. As you have said in the plan more than once (sections 2.1.52 and 5.1.1) "Warrington's Green Belt fulfils an important role in ensuring the separation of Warrington from neighbouring towns and cities and preventing urban sprawl extending into the countryside."

Once Green Belt development is permitted, there is no protection for any land and for the sake of current residents and future generations, Green Belt must be preserved and protected.

In particular, I am opposed to all development in [REDACTED] Croft (Policy OS2) as any development in Croft will destroy the fabric and nature of the village.

You have referenced the Croft Parish Plan of 2018, in which 99% of those surveyed felt that protecting the Green Belt and Countryside was a very important factor to Croft's future, therefore, these residents views must be listened to.

The additional of 75 homes to Croft will realistically add over 100 additional cars to the area, and the village infra structure is not equipped to cope with this increase in traffic movements. My issues are outlined below -

Roads cannot currently cope with the volume of traffic and it is already difficult exiting Abbey Close onto Lord Street. Coupled with that there are already queues at key points, such as leaving Cross Lane onto Warrington Road. (A key pinch point as this is the main route to Birchwood Park, which is listed in the plan as a key employment area)

Local footpaths are narrow, in particular on Lord Street and Mustard Lane.

Local school is oversubscribed.

Loss of leisure amenities with the closure of Heathcroft Stud

Croft's excellent bus links were a key point in favour of development in Croft in the displays at the Public Consultation events at The Halliwell Jones Stadium. In fact, Croft has poor bus links with no buses after 7pm during the week and 5pm on Sundays. As the plan states, (section 2.1.58) there is a dominance of the car and the increased traffic will

increase pollution in the local area.

I urge you to reconsider any development on Green Belt land in Croft and Warrington as a whole.

Yours faithfully,

Rachel Sheldon