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**To:** [Local Plan](#)  
**Subject:** South Warrington  
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Hello,

I have studied the proposal for the South Warrington area and it would appear that Warrington Borough Council are aiming to wipe the green belt away in the villages Grappenhall, Appleton Thorn and Stretton. This plan proposes to join the historic villages and conservation are in a giant jigsaw with every resident losing out. We have all chosen to live in the quieter, greener part of this town and have paid a premium on house prices to do so.

These plans are not suited to the area 's road structure as most are classed as B roads and the traffic levels in 2019 are terrible with the congestion, normally but when there is a problem with either motorway M6 or M56 it is near impossible to get access to an A road as they are blocked by heavy haulage and cars. That is before the traffic can even get to the Latchford swing bridge and the one way system of Latchford village.

The area's roads were not built to carry the many more thousands of cars which will arrive with the new housing and/or industrial estate. Neither were the small canal bridges eg Stanny Lunt which is already taking many more heavier vehicles travelling to the industrial estate, as delivery vehicles or people going to work and of course the return. This bridge is used by parents taking their children to and from school, so lots of small children using this very busy narrow bridge. From the bridge the vehicles then turn into a residential road, Albert Road which is 20 mph supposedly and onto Knutsford Road making this a very busy rat race, at most times of the day and night.

Now , what happens to the wildlife ? When the green belt has been desimated with the amount of housing and industrial units proposed, how are the animal kingdom to survive, are they being moved to the ' park' area and has any one told them they will lose their habitat. This green area is what keeps the human population healthy in mind and body, by being able to connect with nature and this you want to destroy.

I have been a release site for hedgehogs for a number of years and as you know these are endangered animals and they return each evening to my garden for food but with the amount of traffic flying down Albert road I am getting very apprehensive about their future. A release site is for hedgehogs that have been injured or poorly and have now been returned to health and released back to the wild.

The proposals are not suitable and should not be on Green Belt land there are plenty of buildings in Warrington that could be converted to housing and brown field sites must be used first. The manufacturing sites are ripe for conversion as will be the Warrington Hospital site when vacated. I find it very strange that WBC has bought the Eddie Stobbart site before the planning permission for the 'new ' site has been given. Eddie Stobbart company must feel very confident in getting that permission or are they going to move elsewhere if permission is refused.

A very concerned [REDACTED] resident  
Mrs J Norris

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Hello,

I attended the open day for the consultation on the planning and transport local plan proposals yesterday the 16<sup>th</sup> May 2019 and after speaking to various people with the knowledge my queries/complaints could not be addressed.

My concern is that re the housing, the South Warrington side of the town has been singled out for 5,100 new properties, together with the permissions for housing given this equates to 6000 new dwellings. The other area's are having 200 at the most added to their villages.

- The villages in South Warrington eg Grappenhall, Appleton Thorn/ Cross and Stretton are going to be one mass of housing and totally lose their character. This roughly equates to a further 12000 cars on the roads, which brings me to the next point.

- On checking the proposed 'new' roads they will not be carrying the day to day traffic from the housing estates, as the new owners will :

Find the cut through roads to bypass the traffic congestion they will meet when using the London Road junction or the Knutsford Road junction. On the London Road the congestion in Stockton Heath village at normal times is bad but at peak travel times it is impossible, 45 minutes to travel from Warrington Bridge Foot to Appleton Park. On the Knutsford Road again traffic is busy at normal times but peak time the queues from the proposed new island where the ' new road' will join through, Latchford Village and onto Bridge Foot again are impossible.

The cut through road Broad Lane is already under pressure from the amount of traffic, school traffic, delivery vans to and from the Industrial site, people travelling to work. At the end of the lane is a single track hump back bridge that was built to cross the Bridgewater Canal, it has a weight limit and was not designed to carry the amount of traffic that will use this cut through into Grappenhall.

Add to this a further 12000 vehicles approximately and the lane will turn into a death trap.

After the vehicles have crossed the bridge, most turn into Albert Road to cut down onto Knutsford road, this is a narrow road, so that if a vehicle is parked on the road the residents have great difficulty in getting access either in or out of their drives and I am sure an emergency vehicle would have a great problem getting through.

I am a resident [REDACTED] and have been for about 10 years a re-homing and feeding station for our endangered hedgehogs. The amount of traffic using the road as a cut through is terrible now, with no notice of the 20mph zone so when not if these houses are built something needs to be in place for our wild-life or else these endangered creatures will be helped to extinction by the Warrington Local Plan.

As you can see a provision needs to be in place to stop Broad Lane being used as the short cut, to help the wild-life, school children and the other people who have bought their

properties in this green open space to live their lives without the menace of a country lane being turned into a dodgem ride.

Jackie Norris

Resident 