

## Response 64

### Respondent Details

Information	
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

### PART A - About You

1. Please complete the following: Please note the email address (if provided below) will be sent a full copy of the submitted response and a unique ID number for future reference (pdf attachment).

Name of person completing the form: Helen Middleton

Email address: [REDACTED]

2. What type of respondent are you? Please select all that apply.

A local resident who lives in Warrington

3. Please complete the following:

Contact details	
Organisation name (if applicable)	[REDACTED]
Agent name (if applicable)	[REDACTED]
Address 1	[REDACTED]
Address 2	[REDACTED]
Postcode	[REDACTED]
Telephone number	[REDACTED]

### PART B - Representation Form 1

1. To which part of the Local Plan does this representation relate? From the drop down list please select one option.

Draft Local Plan (as a whole)

2. Does your comment relate to a specific paragraph (s) or policy sub-number (s)? Please select one option.

None of the above

3. Do you consider the Draft Local Plan is: Please select one option in each row.

	Yes	No
Legally Compliant		X
Sound		X
Compliant with the Duty to Co-operate		X

4. If you have answered 'No' to any of the options in the above question then please give details in the box below of why you consider the Draft Local Plan is not legally compliant or is unsound or fails to comply with the duty to co-operate. Please be as precise as possible.

The loss of 600 acres of Green Belt is not justified. In areas of Warrington, we have sensitive wild life habitats and need to protect the greenbelt for future generations as it can never be replaced. Trees and green areas are needed for the health of the community and to reduce air pollution from an industrial town. Warrington sits in the Mersey Valley where air quality is poor, wider social aspects of environmental protection are extremely important for public health.

The only winners are developers who will undoubtedly be building executive homes on the precious greenbelt. These homes will be unaffordable for someone (such as myself as a 40 year old) theoretically working at Eddie Stobarts.

Eddie Stobarts (and similar logistics companies creating 'employment') offer minimum wage, agency work/zero hour contracts. Is this an example of future employment in our town?

James Brokenshire, Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government emphasised that housing need figures are not a target and local authorities should make a realistic assessment of the number of homes their communities need 'using the standard method as a starting point in the process'. The government has decided to use the higher 2014 figures rather than the more up to date 2016 figures which are considerably lower. The housing numbers which drive the whole plan are unrealistic relative to what Warrington has achieved in the past.

According to the 2018 public health report, Warrington's largest proportional increase is expected in the older age groups (65+) by 13% which equates to roughly 27,600 people. This is made up of 23,300 65+ and 4,300 under 65.

From 2003 onwards, Warrington's Old Age Dependency ratio has risen faster than England's. By 2039, Warrington's OADR is projected to be 43.8 much higher than 40.5 in England. There is no need for housebuilding on the suggested scale.

According to the 2018 public health report, there are areas of poor air quality next to the motorways and main traffic routes. The Air Quality Action Plan was made available for public consultation which has 18 actions aimed at improving air quality including improvements to reduce traffic impact and development strategies that can mitigate the impact.

The cumulative impact of all the distribution centres planned along the M6 from Haydock point and Parkside in St. Helen's along with Warrington depots will have a further impact on air quality standards in the area. Workers will be coming from outside the area, further adding to the congestion further at this point, new homes in South Warrington would be too far from both our railway stations, meaning more car usage across town.

The health of Warrington residents also needs to be taken into consideration: According to the public health report(s) from 2012-2014, there were 856 respiratory deaths recorded. In the latest figures from the 2015-2017 report, this has increased to 875 deaths recorded.

6. Please set out what modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Draft Local Plan legally compliant or sound, having regard to the test you have identified above where this relates to soundness. (NB please note that any non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination). You will need to say why this modification will make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound. It would be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible.

A realistic housing plan to include affordable housing for retired people and young people using brown field sites reducing the use of greenbelt land.

Realistic, permanent employment opportunities for existing Warrington residents. Not minimum wage, agency work or zero hour contracts.

7. If your representation is seeking a modification, do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination? Please select one option.

Yes, I wish to participate at the oral examination (I understand details from Part A will be used for contact purposes)

**If you wish to participate at the oral part of the examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary:**  
To emphasise my objection points.

You have just completed a Representation Form for Draft Local Plan (as a whole). What would you like to do now? Please select one option.

Complete the rest of the survey (Part C)