

Response 458

Respondent Details

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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: Mark Jervis

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) | - |
| 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.

A paragraph number (s)

If a paragraph or policy sub-number then please use the box below to list:

Justification in the Local Plan is inconsistent and misleading and therefore the Draft Local Plan is not sound. I will cite 2 specific examples: Para 3.3.17 The optioneering justifications given in this paragraph, particularly bullet points 1,3and 4 equally apply to any assessment go the Garden Suburb but are not used in relation to the Garden Suburb particularly if "A49 and Junction 9 of the M62" is replaced by "A49, A50, Junction 20 of the M6 and Junction 10 of the M56" in the third bullet. Paragraph 10.2.26 This paragraph refers to new infrastructure in the Garden Suburb and access to the surrounding urban area including "Grappenhall, Stockton Heath and Warrington Town Centre". However it is silent on the fact that the existing urban area is already overwhelmed with traffic and cannot absorb further traffic from a development the size of the proposed Garden Suburb. There is no guaranteed assurance of new transport infrastructure in the existing urban area. Examples of current traffic problems are the permanent queues throughout the day to transit Stockton Heath and the already overwhelmed motorway junctions (J20, M6 and J10 M56). Reengineering J20 is not the simple task implied due to the complexity of the Junction at the intersection of the M6 and the M56 combined with the Lymm Services and the junction being the main access to South Warrington. The Draft Plan appears at times to be written by consultants who have no appreciation of the current major infrastructure shortcomings which will be further and completely overwhelmed if the Garden Suburb proposal were to go ahead.

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

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

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.

There are no exceptional circumstances to release the green belt for a development of the scale of the Garden suburb. Release is not needed to accommodate population growth.
 Infrastructure in the existing urban area cannot cope with the extra volume of traffic. Motorway junctions in South Warrington will be overwhelmed. J20, M6, Jn9 M56 is an enormously complex junction which cannot be easily or cheaply modified to service the extra traffic for the Garden Suburb.
 Stockton Heath will be gridlocked by extra traffic from the Garden Suburb.
 There will be a significant environmental impact from extra and gridlocked traffic in South Warrington.
 The Garden Suburb will change the distinctive character of the area. This point was given as a reason/justification for not increasing housing in other areas of Warrington but it has simply been insufficiently considered in relation to the impact of the Garden Suburb on the current green belt area.
 Insufficient consideration has been given to the infrastructure constraints in Warrington caused by the need to cross the Manchester Ship Canal and the River Mersey and the very limited number of existing crossings in the South Warrington area.
 The Council's housing increase proposals exceed Government guidelines and official population increase projections.

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.

Abandon the Garden Suburb concept. It unnecessarily and irrevocably destroys existing Green Belt and changes the distinctive character of Appleton, Grappenhall, Appleton Thorn, Stretton and Stockton Heath.

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.

No, I do not wish to participate at the oral examination

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)