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I have lived in [REDACTED] years, and during that time there has been modest growth in and around the local area. However, the Consultation that is presently available for consideration concerning the massive plans for expansion are undeliverable and unsound.

Greenbelt land should never be given up under any circumstances, especially for domestic dwellings. Once that land has gone, it will never, ever be returned to the condition that it was originally intended. Your definition of "Garden Suburb" is more like "Mini City". What are the reasons for an expansion over and above the Government's guidelines? I accept that the population of the country is increasing, but what makes the Council think that thousands of people will want to relocate to South Warrington? A plan for 20 years is far too long, the planning period is normally far less, (15 years). This plan is unsound and has no justification.

No account has been taken into consideration of infrastructure, roads, pollution, schools and health centres. The Manchester Ship Canal is a barrier to vehicles travelling across Warrington. Congestion at the swing bridges is a common occurrence, yet Peel Holdings want to increase ship traffic to Manchester Docks. The word gridlock is already being used in Stockton Heath and Latchford, and this is without the unjustified increase in homes. Most families have two cars, so not only will the thousands of extra cars create traffic mayhem, but pollution will increase noticeably. The area already has above average levels of pollution because of its proximity to the M6 and M56. Green areas absorb carbon dioxide and give off oxygen. Removing and destroying these irreplaceable green areas will exacerbate the problems of pollution. There are NO clear routes proposed for new highways, motorway junctions or canal crossings which will be required to serve the "Garden Suburb".

The proposed development will kill off the character of south Warrington. The present day village communities which are an attraction to the local area will disappear into the characterless urban sprawl that will become the norm if these undeliverable, unsound plans are given the go ahead.

To summarise, the proposals are unsound and undeliverable. The growth predictions are unrealistic, the highway infrastructure and geographical limitations of the site make the plan undeliverable, and Greenbelt land should NEVER be sacrificed.

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