Warrington Local Plan 2021

Examination in Public

Respondent 0457 STRETTON NDP

Written Statement regarding Matter 4 – Housing need.

1.1 Taking into consideration that our response is directed at the Stretton Neighbourhood area which in this case of the local plan excludes land areas south of the M56, we highlight our original concerns.

1.2 Stretton, over the last three years has seen an increase in the housing stock by 40% of the original housing stock. This is due to the Homes England development at Pewterspear Green. Any further increase in housing, especially on existing green belt land would be wholly disproportionate in matters of scale and growth, and contrary to the NPPF. Please refer to our response to Matter 3 regarding the potential increase by over 100% if the Wallace / Miller proposal is allowed to proceed.

1.3 In summary, the proposal to build more houses in Stretton is unsound and a flawed concept. It will totally destroy the rural character of the village and over burden the social and amenity facilities within the village. There is no need whatsoever to increase the Stretton village housing stock when other areas in Warrington can most likely absorb the circa 700 houses proposed in the Wallace / Miller plan.