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Local Plan

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Dear Sirs.

I am not one for unnecessarily complaining about local issues, but I feel compelled to write on this occasion.

The plan to build almost 5,000 homes in South East Warrington, on an area of Green Belt and with no associated plan for infrastructure sounds like one of the most ill thought out schemes I have ever read about. There appears to be no co-ordinated plan for this other than to dump 5,000 in the middle of nowhere with no thought for environmental issues or what the knock on effect this will be and the demands and strain it will place on local infrastructure.

Above all I think it is an absolute disgrace that green belt land is being used in this way when there are brownfield lands closer to town that would be far better served. Once this vandalism of the green belt has taken place, we will never be able to go back.

Secondly, what about the following issues

- There appears to be no co-ordinated road plan to cope with the additional traffic required for the new homes and the workers at the new warehouses (it is self evident that those who work in the warehouses will not be able to afford these homes - the people who will buy the homes will clearly work in places like Manchester Liverpool or Chester.)
- There is no proper plan for cycling whatsoever and how bike lanes might be linked up to public transport
- There is no plan for how the additional residents will be supported with doctors surgeries, local leisure facilities, shops or schools. You will be well aware how inadequate Broomfields Leisure Centre is already and how Stockton Heath Medical Centre is swamped with patients.
- There is no link as to how these houses will support the future development of the town

In summary, this plan appears little better than the one set out 2 years ago - I suggest that a severe re-think is needed.

Regards

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