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Local Plan

Subject: Objection - Warrington local redevelopment plan

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Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to strongly object to the revised Warrington local plan.

The plans that have been presented do not appear to be justified for projected growth. They do not serve the voice of the community, most of whom have chosen to live here specifically for the semi rural landscape which is slowly being destroyed without justification. The types of houses that are being built are not in keeping with the area and the scale of intended industry, shown in the employment land, is going to be elevated such that it will be an eye saw across the South of Warrington.

It is highly unlikely that the jobs expected to be created will be local to the community. With more people commuting to the said new jobs, the traffic issues in this area will only get worse. The solutions to this are extremely vague particularly around the Manchester Ship Canal, the traffic around which is already at its limit. Housing cannot move at a faster pace to the road solutions or a tramway without gridlocking an already temperamental area. The additional traffic will undoubtably add to pollution. Drainage will suffer and with climate concerns this is essential to our town.

I am at a loss to understand the need for the destruction of the green belt when there are still many brown belt sites available, especially when Boris Johnson has committed to protecting it. Although it may be slightly more expensive, I would suggest the redevelopment of our town centre instead for first time housing. This would be far less damaging to the environment.

I would ask you to reconsider a greener approach to lesson the impact on the greenbelt land and not to move forward without transparency on the supporting services as this plan in unsustainable and misleading without the broader picture. The world is changing and Warrington already has too many empty retail park buildings, a town centre declining and a history over overspend. Let this not be the next plan to fail the community it serves!

I reiterate that I do not believe this is a good plan and would urge for you to reconsider.

Yours faithfully

Ellie Boyer