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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 29 August 2017
To: LDF
Subject: PDO consultation

Dear Sir/ madam,

I am writing in relation to the current PDO consultation that is taking place with regards to the planned development in South Warrington. We have a number of concerns.

We recently moved our family from another area in the North West to [REDACTED] in Grappenhall due to the semi rural feel of the village, the excellent local walks, quality of life, reputation of the village schools and the transport and road links as we both work in Liverpool and we have family based in Manchester. We considered South Warrington to be a unique place with a unique feel within the North West, so much so that we searched for a house here for two years. Several families within our street and roads here have also moved from other areas for the same reasons.

We understood that 800 houses were planned for the area around Grappenhall Heys which did not bother us and we understand the need to build housing in Warrington and would support this number of houses. However, we have been surprised to learn that the development may now be of more than 6000 houses which is a significant difference.

We are now concerned that the reasons we moved here may no longer be applicable if the development for this number of houses goes ahead. Our main concern would be over crowded schools, the quality of education therefore being compromised or there not being enough places at all and our child having to travel to another school further away which would impact upon the whole family. We cannot envisage how many schools and places would be needed at this point until the plans are confirmed but we urge the council to take our concerns seriously.

There also needs to be a commitment to preserving some of the character of the villages which is a major drawer for families moving here and for visitors and tourists, some of which I am sure you would lose if the plans go ahead.

There also needs to be a better commitment to preserve green spaces and ensure that there are adequate roads to cope with the traffic. If the development of so many houses goes ahead with very little thought about the other issues raised this would be a reason for us to relocate again and there are other families within our roads who share the same concerns and may also leave.

Thank you for taking the time to read my email and consider some of the issues raised.

Yours Sincerely,

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