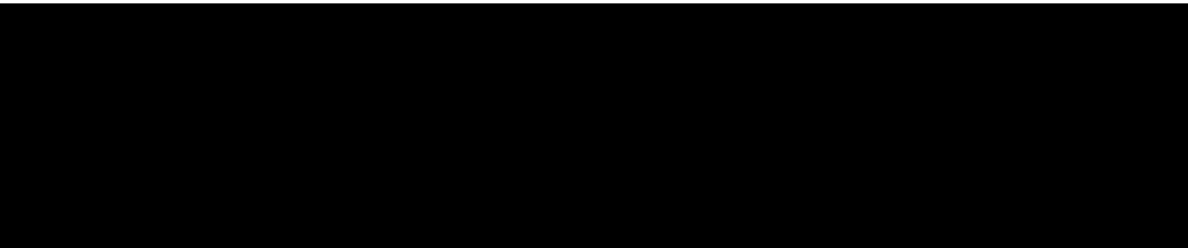


Dear Team,

**Warrington Borough Council – Local Plan Preferred Development Option**



I like Moore, it is a conservation area; it contains many listed buildings, one has a date of 1601 and many others are of Georgian style. This village needs to be protected for its friendly atmosphere and close community feel. Your proposals for approximately two thousand houses to be built between Lower Walton and the Halton Borough boundary at Moore will effectively remove all of the existing greenbelt between Warrington and Halton Borough and will lead to a conurbation of Warrington and Runcorn. Moore is an amenity for the surrounding areas of Walton and Halton and beyond. It is used for recreation by cyclists, fishermen, leisure boaters on the Bridgewater canal and nature lovers but if your proposals go ahead it will lose its identity. The local infrastructure of roads, hospitals, dental surgeries and doctors' surgeries are already stretched. I do not believe that sufficient consideration has been given to the environmental impact that removing all this greenbelt land will have on the people of Moore and Walton.

I am also disturbed by the proposed destruction of Moore Nature Reserve by expansion of Port Warrington by Peel Holdings. According to FCC Environment which manages it, Moore Nature Reserve 'Is an area of about two hundred acres of woodland, meadow, lakes and ponds and is home to many diverse species of plants, animals, birds and other wildlife.' The impact of this expansion on the local environment will be disastrous. The Nature Reserve is used extensively by local families, bird-watchers and people who just love nature. Its value to the wildlife which lives there is irreplaceable. This Nature Reserve should be nurtured for the benefit of existing users and particularly for future generations. The existing operations at Port Warrington and the associated HGV traffic have already had a serious effect on the surface of Runcorn Road. The proposed development on the North bank of the Ship Canal will also be detrimental to the quality of life of the residents of Promenade Park, many of whom are elderly and have chosen to retire there in a peaceful environment.

I respectfully urge you to reconsider your proposals for both the housing and Port Warrington developments. Please take into account the severe impact these proposals would have on the local people, the local environment, the local and migrating wildlife and already inadequate local infrastructure, should they come to fruition.

