


Dear Sirs,

Warrington Borough Council – Local Plan Preferred Development Option.

I am writing in complete objection to the above plan which I think should be scrapped in its entirety.

I have lived in Warrington  in Higher Walton and now Moore. I have seen the green belt gradually getting less and less. The land you propose to develop in Walton on the boundary with Moore in the plans is good agricultural land and serves as a buffer between Warrington and Runcorn. This green belt is essential to stop the towns blending one big urban sprawl and Moore and Higher Walton being swamped in the midst. Green Belt boundaries should only be altered in "exceptional circumstances". Putting thousands of houses on this land is disgraceful miss uses of green belt.

Warrington's residents do not want their town to become a city. We live in a town and have no aspirations for city life. I do not want to be surrounded by new residential developments completely destroying the character, history and heritage of the town and its surrounding countryside. Loss of this green space with have a horrific impact on local residents and those further afield who come to this area to enjoy the green spaces that you are planning to destroy.

We can't cope now with the amount of traffic in South Warrington. A trip to the post office to collect a parcel can take half a day as it is without all the traffic chaos from more residents that could bring it to a standstill. Our quality of life will be subject to more noise, pollution and stress from increased traffic. The town cannot cope now. if there is a hold up on the M6 or if one of the swing bridges are closed. Gone are the days when you could just nip into town.

Moore nature reserve that was once called the lungs of the town will be ruined. This is a wonderful habitat for a big variety of animals and birds including very rare Bitterns. A high level environmental and ecological impact survey has not been considered.

The scale of the development is horrific. This development will completely destroy any village life and wreck communities of Moore and Higher Walton. There appears to be a very disproportionate amount of development to the South West of Warrington, with North Warrington being hardly touched. I don't believe all the brown field sites have being properly considered.

I doubt if the homes will be affordable for many Warrington residents and where is everyone going to work? Probably not in Warrington. Warrington and Halton hospitals are already at capacity as are health centres and doctors surgeries. We can't cope with the residents we have already.

Moore is a conservation area with many listed building, as is Higher Walton. The canal tow path and open green spaces should be kept for future generations to enjoy. It's heartbreaking that this plan can even be consider. It is a complete disgrace.

