


Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to object to Warrington Borough Council's Preferred Development Option (Regulation 18 Consultation July 2017).

My main concerns are in relation to the proposal to build approximately 2000 homes on land between the A56 and Runcorn Road (option 2). I have lived in Moore for  years and value the rural feel of the village and the surrounding area. Over recent years there has been steady erosion of the green belt in our area as a result of the continuing expansion of Sandymoor, as well as the ongoing development at Daresbury Labs.

I appreciate the need for new housing but I am shocked by the scale of the proposed development which would result in significant and irreversible loss of green belt between the boroughs of Halton and Warrington, and which would completely change the character of the area and destroy its history and heritage. I understand this proposed use of the green belt is not in line with the National Planning Policy Framework. New housing development should be well planned to make best use of brownfield sites, not agricultural land. I understand there are large brown field sites likely to be released within the 20 year period of the plan which could be used for new housing needs.

Roads in our area are already at capacity and frequently grid-locked, and this would be significantly worsened by the proposed development. I am concerned that the local infrastructure, schools and health facilities, would be unable to cope with the massive increase in population.

I am also extremely concerned about the development of Port Warrington: its impact on both Moore Nature Reserve and Promenade Park (residential area of 80 + homes in Moore) The current infrastructure in the South Warrington area cannot cope with expansion at this level and I urge you to re-think your proposals to build both this number of homes and allow the development of Port Warrington without the required assessments and proper investigative work.

