



Dear Sir/Madam,

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



I do not believe Warrington should be made into a city – this appears to me to be a vain aspiration of politicians and officials at the local authority. I feel that Warrington should be reviewing all the brownfield sites in the borough before making a grab for any green belt land.

My main concerns are in relation to the proposal to build approximately 2000 homes on land between the A56 and Runcorn Road (option 2)

Warrington Borough Council's justification in releasing this land from green belt is flawed in that it does not take into account that Moore (immediately abutting the planned site of development) is both a historic village with listed buildings and a conservation area, but also is the only settlement between Halton and Warrington. To allow this south west extension to take place will erode the green belt between the two boroughs irrevocably and result in Moore losing its identity.

I enjoy using the footpath network which bisects all the land affected by these proposed developments and am extremely concerned about the loss of fields and open space which currently provide such a haven for wildlife.

The scale of the development makes no provision to adequately improve transport infrastructure and we regularly experience traffic chaos when there is a hold up on either Daresbury Expressway, the M56 or indeed any problem in and around Warrington.

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 Nature reserve is enjoyed by literally thousands of visitors, both from the local area (Warrington and Halton) but also from the much wider regional area.

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 the development of Port Warrington without further assessments and appropriate mitigation work on site.

Yours faithfully,

