

Dear Sir or Madam

I am writing to inform you that I strongly object to and oppose the 'Preferred Development Option 18', the local planning review where by it is proposed to build approximately 2,000 new homes (South West Urban Extension) in the Higher Walton and Moore Regions and the proposed commercial development on the Manchester Ship Canal opposite Moore Promenade plus associated new roads from Penketh or Great Sankey to Walton.

The reasons I object are as follows

- The position of the new houses will be a blot on the landscape, destroying the piece of countryside between Warrington and Moore thereby probably creating a metropolis of Warrington, Widnes and Runcorn.
- The extra household occupants will have a devastating effect on health and welfare services. It is difficult enough now to get an appointment with a doctor, the local hospitals can't cope now and social care is stretched to snapping point.
- Emergency services have been slashed by the current government, they cannot cope.

With 2000 new homes and a warehouse complex, there is extra pressure on the fire service.

Children from these new homes are going risk crossing the busy A56 to get to Walton Gardens, that reason and the additional new roads will see increase pressure on police and ambulance service.

The say authority must continue so there is no extra funding to cope.

- The proposed new roads will only mean increased pollution from motor vehicles, especially heavy goods vehicles as they will prefer to use them rather than pay £8 (pounds) to go across the Buncorn bridges. There will also be extra traffic noise from the extra traffic. It is obvious, as soon as a new road is built traffic volume increases. The extra traffic brings a higher risk of road traffic accidents and fatalities, another burden on the emergency services.
- Extra traffic equals extra traffic congestion; the A56 dual carriageway is already a car park at busy periods, there is not park and ride bus services most traffic now goes into the town, this will be accompanied by through traffic avoiding the bridge tolls.
- All of the new development destroys habitat for nature, wild animals, the 2000 homes are on arable land, providing life space for common wildlife. Marley Common will be impacted, again space for common wildlife but equally green space that people currently enjoy.

Also the development of commercial properties on the banks of the Manchester Ship Canal impacts on Moore Nature Reserve, the clue is in the title or does nature not matter, the only thing that needs reserving is cash.

This is criminal as it attracts migrating birds, it is picturesque and is enjoyed by people from all the local towns. It will be detrimental to wildlife and people.

I understand that there is a housing crisis but these proposals do not take into account the health, safety and well being of the present residents - The services cannot cope.

Alternatively there are vast tracts of land in Scotland including brown field sites available plus they have a lot of space that is unsuitable for agriculture.

It is totally wrong to put profit before people!

So where are the new hospitals, doctors, dentists schools, leisure amenities and care homes etc going to be and who will pay for them, sorry I must be dreaming, there's no chance just like additional emergency cover. Just a money making game!

Yours faithfully

