

Dear Sir/ Madam

I would like to raise my objections to the Warrington local development plan.

I am a Stretton resident and have lived in the village for plan for me, my family, friends and neighbours.

The first point to raise is the use of current Green Belt land in south Warrington. As I understand it the release of Green Belt land should only be made in "exceptional circumstances". I cannot see that there are any exceptional circumstances. The use of this land seems to be based on an aspirational growth plan for WBC to push Warrington into becoming a city.

The council does not need to build as many homes as in the plan. The figure is higher than required. A plan for fewer homes would result in less land (and particularly Green Belt land) being needed.

In addition there had been no consideration of using current or potential Brown Field sites over the time period (20 years) of the plan - for example land around Fiddlers Ferry.

My second point is around traffic and the lack of a detailed survey on this. The planned roads do not seem to have enough capacity to support the large development. Junction 10 from the M56 along London Road is frequently at capacity and impossible to navigate if there are additional motorway problems.

The preferred option needs to reviewed and the views of local people need to be taken into consideration.

Yours faithfully