

Dear Borough Council,

I am contacting you to highlight my concerns and opinions with regards to the process and content of the Preferred Development Opinions of the Local Plan as part of your first stage consultation.

Firstly, with regard to the "consultation" process I find it totally unacceptable as a resident (whose property would be directly affected by the proposed new strategic transport route through Latchford/ Grappenhall and Thelwall) that the Borough Council have made NO attempts to communicate with me to inform me of your plans. In fact, if Grappenhall and Thelwall Parish Council had not made the efforts they have to address your incompetence in this area, I would still be unaware of the plans and/or consultation. I can only assume that as a public sector organisation with (I hope) significant experience in undertaking consultations of this nature that you specifically choose the summer period to avoid any meaningful response from residents which is totally improper.

The consultation process has been completely negligent of residents needs with the little information that is available (after searching) providing such scant detail it is almost impossible to make any comment of consequence other than that of a totally individual nature.

I would like to highlight my concerns with the actual new road proposed through Latchford/ Grappenhall and Thelwall. Whilst living in Warrington for over 70 years I have seen the town becoming ever more gridlocked, and recognise the need for development but I honestly believe that this route is the least appropriate of all the proposed new canal crossings and I urge you to seriously reconsider this and for it to be removed from the Local Plan. This road has the potential to decimate long established residential areas with elderly residents (including myself) having to move to new areas at a time of their lives when they are actually more vulnerable and needing the security of familiarity and security of their own homes.

I would be grateful if you would carefully consider the issues and concerns I have highlighted and ensure the content and approach to the Local Plan provides the best development solutions for all the residents of Warrrington based on real need and actively supported by us all.

Yours sincerely