I wish to object to the developments for the Garden City Suburb.

I think that it is scandalous that the council has not informed residents about these plans. Holding consultation sessions is of no use unless people know about them. It appears that the council has set out to reduce the objections by failing to inform those affected by the development.

The scale of the development is far too great. It requires the use of large amounts of green belt land. The council should actively be protecting this valuable resource. The council is failing in its duty by attempting to develop this land.

The results of these developments would be a huge reduction in quality of life for existing residents. The current medical facilities in Warrington, especially the hospital, are already overstretched. There are no assurances that these facilities will be adequately enhanced.

There are virtually no shopping facilities south of Stockton Heath which is already a real bottleneck for transport. New residents will add to this to get to shops in the north of Warrington. I understand that the plan does not propose building new shops in the new Garden City Suburb for 15 years. What is going to happen in the meantime? I think that the answer is gridlock in south Warrington.

It would be far better to change the current Appleton Cross proposals for housing into a large retail development with a major supermarket and other major stores.

As well as Stockton Heath, the Cat and Lion intersection is another major bottleneck which will only get worse. I cannot see how the proposed new road in Stretton will alleviate it in any way. Instead of helping local traffic, it will be a major route for lorries from Barleycastle and a rat run between the M56and M6 motorways.

A new high level canal crossing has been suggested but with no assurances. However, if built, it is likely that it would be used as an alternative to paying the toll on the Runcorn Mersey crossings so reducing any benefit to local residents.

I am also concerned that only areas in south Warrington have been chosen for these developments. The areas which vote labour seem to have got away with relatively little disruption. As usual, the council seems to be targeting the south to get additional revenue without providing infrastructure and facilities in return.