

21<sup>st</sup> September 2017

Warrington Borough Council  
Planning Policy and Programmes  
New Town House  
Buttermarket Street  
Warrington  
Cheshire  
WA1 2NH

Dear Sir/Madam,

Further to the proposed Preferred Development Option proposing 24,000 homes mostly on green belt land, creating a 'garden city suburb' in the Grappenhall and Thelwall area, I would like to register a complaint and I **strongly oppose** this proposal.

I am a lifelong resident of Warrington and have lived in Padgate, Orford and moved to Grappenhall in [REDACTED]. The reason my family moved to Grappenhall was to be close to the countryside and greenbelt unspoilt countryside. I spend most of my social activity dog walking and enjoying wildlife particularly the vast majority of wild birds within the area, some quite rare.

My feelings are shared with a vast majority of residents within the area as I experienced at the meeting at the Park Royal Hotel in Stretton on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September.

The traffic congestion, pollution, noise and disruption within the area will ruin our somewhat peaceful and enjoyable lifestyle. The proposal would also de-value properties within the area and once the countryside is gone, it's gone forever.

We also took part in a peaceful demonstration along the Trans Pennine Trail on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September where we were joined by many local residents **opposing the plan** to convert the trail into a road. We live in a very quiet pollution and noise free area namely [REDACTED] [REDACTED] in Grappenhall. We also frequently use the Trans Pennine Trail for dog walking and observing wildlife. Many various species of birds within my garden are a result of the trail and the countryside from the surrounding areas. I dread to think the change in the view from my front window from trees around the Trans Pennine Trail to a noisy road, day and night, supported by a concrete structure.

Finally, I would like to complain to Warrington Borough Council for the under handed way this proposal has been introduced, by publishing the plan when many people were on holiday and setting an unacceptable short deadline to make written representations. In fact it was only after local public pressure that the deadline was extended until 29<sup>th</sup> September.

I would ask Warrington Borough Council to scrap the 'garden city suburb' proposal and preserve our beautiful greenbelt, woodland and wildlife within the South Warrington area. At the same time preventing further noise, pollution and traffic congestion within an already busy road network.

Yours Faithfully,

[REDACTED]