

Warrington Borough Council,
Planning Policy & Programmes,
New Town House,
Buttermarket Street,
Warrington, WA 1 2NH.



25th September 2017.

Ref: R18/127 & R18/115 Parcel CR4 SHLAA Ref: 15231.

Dear Sir or Madam,

I was told by a third party that a meeting was to be held in Culcheth library to discuss the proposals to build more houses in Culcheth & Croft. I went along & the expert who was trying to tell me about it told me the proposal was for 60 houses. I asked him did he know Croft, he didn't even know where Croft was. He said he thought he did, but couldn't be sure. When I asked him where he was from his reply was Liverpool. He wasn't even a Warringtonian. That sums it up. Because now we are told it is for considerably more - 200 I believe.

The parcel of land referred to above is in effect Green Belt & as such should remain so.

Croft needs better services before it needs more housing & therefore more people & more vehicles on already crowded roads.

The roads through Croft are narrow, twisting & hazardous, country lanes. Buses & lorries quite often mount the pavements in order to be able to pass each other & to my knowledge there are no plans to improve the situation.

The only zebra crossing in Croft is at St Lewis' school. Existing traffic does not respect the 30 & 20 mph speed limits. Traffic calming should be installed. Crossing Smithy Lane, Lord Street & Mustard Lane is a nightmare.

Access for construction traffic lorries, vans & cars down Lady Lane & the Eaves Brow estate, will be a further hazard. Where will they all have to park?

The two junior schools need to be extended prior to any influx of more children.

There is no shop & no post office, WBC caused this by allowing a change of use & the shop & post office which is now 4 dwellings.

The Number 19 bus service is appalling.

We knew something was going on when R18/127, known as the 'Battlefield', (which was open fields for about 45 years to my knowledge) was suddenly closed for walkers & we were told it was being turned over to agriculture. I for one never noticed any crops growing, nor any cows or sheep or even horses on it.

R18/115 is a heavily wooded, is full of wild life & again to my knowledge is an important ecological & conservation area & should be kept so.

I do not like standard questions with tick boxes because they never ask the right questions & the tick boxes never have enough boxes to cover all views.

I therefore strongly object & propose the WBC drops any proposal to future building on green Belt in Croft.

Yours sincerely,

