

Every council development plan should take account of present and foreseeable need taking the negative impact of such developments and seeking to minimise them. There is no indication of this in current proposals for development in South Warrington. One reason given for it is the prospect of City Status which appears to be the driver for a higher housing figure but even if the higher figure is reasonable there are other less damaging options to consider within Warrington's substantial 'brown field' sites.

The extra burden of increased traffic alone will be enormous. Gridlocked traffic is bad for motorists, passers-by, residents and the environment. The health implications are known yet my understanding is that no environmental survey is included in the plan. Why is that?

The council has a duty to look at all options. There is no evidence that it is doing so. Why is that? These omissions look suspicious as does the exclusion of South Warrington councillors from work on the plan. This is not the way I expect the council to impose major changes on Warrington nor do I believe City Status to be a worthwhile reason in itself.

Please think again!!