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**Sent:** 16 June 2019 21:25

To: Local Plan

**Subject:** Objection to Local Plan.

My Objection to the current Local Plan for Warrington in its current form.

I live in Warrington. My objections reflect the fact I care about where I live not just for the South of Warrington but the whole of Warrington. Warrington is unique in that it is bounded by motorways and crossed by a ship canal. These are exceptional circumstances.

We should be exploring every piece of brown field land for development including the Fiddlers Ferry Power Station site. Not mentioned in any plan.

Houses in South Warrington are unlikely to be affordable to people in Warrington who might be employed in any industrial development. Their wages would not sustain new house of £300,000 or above. Therefore, it is likely that there will be more people travelling to jobs outside of our area. This will add traffic to our already congested roads.

Warrington's air quality is one of the worst in the country. We are bounded by motorways. More houses, more cars, more traffic on our already congested roads. Gridlock at peak times and significant more air pollution. There is no clear plan to improve our local roads.

Green belt land is precious and should be protected at all cost from either housing or huge logistics development. We should not release this to developers or large companies for, seemingly, their own benefit.

Plans are based on unrealistic economic growth and ambitious assumptions in uncertain times. There is no consideration for quality of life for open spaces for leisure activities, nature reserves will be destroyed as well as precious wildlife. We need to nurture these green corridors sandwiched between our motorways to offset pollution and protect wildlife. This in turn will have long term beneficial effects on people and the environment.

Warrington is bounded by motorways M56 in the South, M6 runs north to south and the M62 runs west to east. We are also divided by the Ship Canal. We need to consider seriously our unique geographical position as exceptional. We need a vibrant town centre surrounded by countryside we can all enjoy which in turn benefits health and wellbeing.

We all take pride in preserving the appearance and way of life in the areas we live in. This includes our children who learn about the history of our town and villages, they join in village life, they use our wildlife areas for study and join in community projects. We need to preserve this for the future not destroy it by concreting over our green spaces and destroying our village character and landscape by urban sprawl.

There are NO SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES identified in the current local plan that convinces me that WE (WBC residents) should support the wholesale release GREEN BELT land.

Denise Wilkinson