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To: Local Plan

Subject: Objection to the Local Plan development

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I wish to object to the Local Plan for South Warrington for the following reasons —

- I do not believe exceptional circumstances have been given by WBC that justify changes to the Greenbelt boundaries or that they have examined all other reasonable options
- I cannot see any sound justification for so much Greenbelt release in the proposals the planned number of homes is also above government targets so why so many?
- Where is the funding coming from for the proposed new roads, hospital, schools etc etc this has not been explained
- The Brownfield Register has not been updated since 2017, when it is a requirement it is updated annually, so how can up to date brownfield site information have been fully considered as a first option? The closure of Fiddlers Ferry Power Station also puts more available Brownfield into the mix, which hasn't been taken into account.
- These thousands of extra houses will lead to thousands more people trying to use already congested and polluted roads. The roads around Warrington cannot handle existing traffic, so even if further road infrastructure is built, this will still not be enough to cope with the extra cars on the roads.
- Warrington already suffers some of the worst air quality in the UK and this development will only make matters worse. I do not want my children to grow up literally living under the cloud of pollution and all the health issues this can bring. Warrington is one of 40 places in Britain that has recently breached the World Health Organisations safe levels PM2.5 ie: smoke, soot, dirt and dust found in the air.
- I do not believe that any of the housing will be truly affordable for most of the population of Warrington town.
- Younger people, who are the future of any town, need smaller, lower cost housing, ideally near to their places of work / entertainment ie: the town centre. Shouldn't we be looking at empty places nearer to the town centre to encourage regeneration and greater spending within the Warrington area?
- Warrington has little character and green spaces and what little is left is under threat and will be obliterated with absolutely no concern for the conservation of precious Green Belt
- Planning policies and decisions should contribute to and enhance the natural and local environment I do not think this proposed development will do either.

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