

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Local Plan](#)  
**Subject:** Draft local plan.  
**Date:** 17 June 2019 09:44:11

---

To whom it may concern,

I think that the local plan to to build a large number of new houses in south Warrington is not sound for the following reasons:

1. It will result in many more cars on the roads of Warrington. Local traffic is already bad and this will increase congestion further. There seem to be no new links to motorways and only one new ship canal crossing.
2. Increased traffic/ congestion will increase pollution. This will have adverse health effects on Warrington residents, especially children and people with respiratory illnesses.
3. There will be increased pressure on local schools, with inadequate provision to meet this. This will harm the education of local children.
4. There will be increased pressure on local GPs. It is already hard to get an appointment to see a GP and this will make it much worse. The plan is inadequate to meet this and even if you did plan more GP practices, you would not be able to recruit due to shortages of GPs.
5. The pressure on Warrington Hospital would increase. It is already short of beds and staff. This would make things much worse and the plan makes no plan to address this.
6. Increased pressure on local car parks.
7. Loss of greenbelt with several adverse effects:
  - (a) Green spaces are proven to be good for people's psychological health.
  - (b) Countryside allows for people to enjoy walks which improve health / fitness and combats obesity (a major U.K. health problem).
  - (c) Loss of countryside will harm wildlife. UK wildlife is already under threat with some species at risk.
  - (d) Loss of agricultural land. We should be aiming to produce more food in the UK and especially locally, to reduce transportation costs and associated pollution and greenhouse gas emissions. This plan will reduce local farm land.

Vincent Williamson.  
[REDACTED] resident.