

REF: the Warrington Local Plan  
(especially with regard to  
South Warrington)

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I agree very largely with the critique of the development plan put forward by the South Warrington Parish Councils.

Although the long term plan includes many ideas, apart from building more houses, - cycleways, footpaths, tramways, schools etc. but it is going to be easier to get the houses built than to keep to the infra-structure plan on track.

Incidentally, it is hard to know how 'we' - citizens of Warrington - will be able to check that the detailed plan is being adhered to - obviously we'll be told of the successes.

The plan adds about 10,000 cars to our roads (e.g. 2 per house given that most will be unable/unwilling to use buses) - plenty of CO<sub>2</sub> as the cars idle at traffic - for example at the B5356/A49 cross over.

I think/hope that a ParkandRide facility should be put in place, whether or not the trams ever arrive. I hope that the roads as planned will cope with the traffic expected - not sure about this!

Taking green belt land for development at all creates a bad precedent: future developers (or the Council) will refer back to this in their future attempts to take green belt land.

I am concerned, too, about the way the scheme shifts the town southward - meaning, perhaps, that Knutsford, Altricham, Chester will be more accessible to those residents than central Warrington.

The plan was wonderfully worked out and detailed. I do though have the above reservations.

Regards.

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