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Hi

I would like to express my deepest concerns regarding the WBC plan which I believe are not sound and will ruin the beautiful green space between Grappenhall and Appleton.

I would like to see greater regeneration of the town centre utilising brown field sites first. By releasing Green Belt land we are giving developers a choice which could leave brown field sites undeveloped. The best way to guarantee the regeneration of our town centre is also to protect our Green Belt.

Warrington's river, canals and motorways present unique infrastructure challenges. The Local Plan and Local Transport Plan do not tell us how people from the new developments in the south will get into Warrington. Costings for the new roads are questionable. Also making allowances for health centres, schools, hospitals, etc. is one thing but ensuring those buildings are staffed and used is another challenge.

Villages like Appleton Thorn and Grappenhall will be subsumed by new development. This, together with the loss of green space, will destroy the character and environment of our area which must be protected.

The plan only needs to be 15 years not 20 – this would reduce the Green Belt needed.

The Secretary of State for Housing has told us that the government methodology is a starting point, not a target. We need to lower housing numbers in line with the latest population figures and building rates.

Overall the plan is not deliverable. There is no justification for the loss of Green Belt. Far from solving any of Warrington's problems, it will add to them.

Many thanks

Kind regards

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