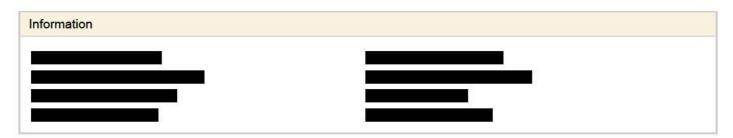
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Respondent Details



PART A - About You

1. Please complete the following: Please note the email address (if provided below) will be sent a full copy of the submitted response and a unique ID number for future reference (pdf attachment).

Name of person completing the form: Chris Berry

Email address:

2. What type of respondent are you? Please select all that apply.

A local resident who lives in Warrington

3. Please complete the following:



PART B - Representation Form 1

1. To which part of the Local Plan does this representation relate? From the drop down list please select one option.

Draft Local Plan (as a whole)

3. Do you consider the Draft Local Plan is: Please select one option in each row.

	Yes	No
Legally Compliant		X
Sound		X
Compliant with the Duty to Co-operate	-	X

4. If you have answered 'No' to any of the options in the above question then please give details in the box below of why you consider the Draft Local Plan is not legally compliant or is unsound or fails to comply with the duty to cooperate. Please be as precise as possible.

I object to the local plan based on the following:

The plan is based upon projections from 2014 data. The 2014 data should be used as a starting point, for which local authorities should refine to a realistic estimate based on land availability, constraints and potential supply in neighbouring areas. There is no evidence that WBC have amended figures to reflect a realistic demand.

The plan does not take into consideration the closure of Fiddlers Ferry power station to the North of Warrington. This is a massive area of brownfield land that will need to be redeveloped during the period. WBC must convince it's people that it is looking to maximise use of brownfield sites and protect our greenbelt for future generations.

The plan caters for a huge commercial development of land at Appleton Thorn / Grappenhall situated on approx. 365 hectares of pristine land, some of it greenbelt. This will have massive implications for traffic management and air quality across Warrington and has not yet been approved. The local plan accounts for increased housing demand created by this development. WBC are justifying releasing greenbelt for demand that does not exist, will not exist, unless created by the destruction of further greenspace.

Details on infrastructure requirements are vague and do not address the current issues with congestion at South Warrington / M6 / M56.

I therefore do not consider that the current plan justifies the special circumstances required to release greenbelt, nor do I consider it deliverable.

As a Warrington resident that enjoys the character and greenspace in South Warrington I'd also like to add that this plan fails to address the already existing poor air quality in Warrington, seeking to add to it with increased construction and vehicle movements, at the same time as stripping huge amounts of greenspace from the borough.

I would also like to highlight that the objections raised by over 4000 residents during the last consultation do not appear to have been taken into consideration at all effectively telegraphing to Warrington residents that there is no point in participating in the consultation.

6. Please set out what modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Draft Local Plan legally compliant or sound, having regard to the test you have identified above where this relates to soundness. (NB please note that any non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination). You will need to say why this modification will make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound. It would be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible.

Revisit demand figures based on more realistic figures that the people of Warrington believe in.

Exhaust brownfield sites before considering release of greenbelt.

7. If your representation is seeking a modification, do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination? Please select one option.

No, I do not wish to participate at the oral examination

You have just completed a Representation Form for Draft Local Plan (as a whole). What would you like to do now? Please select one option.

Complete the rest of the survey (Part C)