

Response 749

Respondent Details

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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: Dan Taffler

Email address: [REDACTED]

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

A local resident who lives in Warrington

3. Please complete the following:

Contact details	
Organisation name (if applicable)	-
Agent name (if applicable)	-
Address 1	[REDACTED]
Address 2	[REDACTED]
Postcode	[REDACTED]
Telephone number	[REDACTED]

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)

2. Does your comment relate to a specific paragraph (s) or policy sub-number (s)? Please select one option.

None of the above

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 co-operate. Please be as precise as possible.

Housing numbers - the population increase estimates suggest only 528 houses would be needed each year, rather than 945 in the plan. This is much more than is needed.
Green Belt - there is no exceptional circumstances to release Green Belt land for this plan. Any housing should be built on brown field sites.
Time frame - the plan runs for 20 years, but this is an incredibly long period of time to plan for. 10 or 15 years would be more applicable and allow for changes of course in a shorter period of time.
Road and canal infrastructure - there are no clear new routes for roads, motorway junctions or canal crossings for Warrington, and these will cause massive traffic problems in the area even with only a few of the new houses built. The M6/M56 junction will be gridlocked by the new housing proposed around it and this is entirely foreseeable, but there is no mitigation planned to address this. Warrington already becomes gridlocked very quickly when there is even a minor traffic disruption.
Traffic and congestion - the new houses will create a massive amount of traffic in the town and surrounding areas. The new houses could mean an extra 100,000 inhabitants over the next 20 years. This additional traffic volume has not been taken into account in planning.
Schools and medical facilities - there are no new schools or medical facilities planned. Local schools are already overcrowded and Warrington hospital is at crisis point. Halton hospital is closing, which pushes even more patients to need to use Warrington hospital as well.
Air pollution - there is no consideration of air pollution impact from the additional traffic. What mitigation will be put in place?
Character - The developments will completely change the character of the area, blending village communities into an urban sprawl.
The proposals are undeliverable - The housing numbers are unrealistically high compared to what has been achieved in Warrington previously, and the poor highway infrastructure and geographical limitations of the site make the plan undeliverable. Greenbelt should not be sacrificed - there are no exceptional circumstances that justify this.

5. If you answered 'Yes' to any of the options in question 3 then please give details in the box below the reasons why you support the legal compliance or soundness of the Draft Local Plan or its compliance with the duty to co-operate. Please be as precise as possible.

I believe it's compliant with the duty to co-operate.

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.

Not use greenbelt land to achieve it.
Reduce target number of houses to something achievable
Build additional roads to support new houses and avoid congestion
Build schools and medical facilities
Build measures to reduce air pollution

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.

Yes, I wish to participate at the oral examination (I understand details from Part A will be used for contact purposes)

If you wish to participate at the oral part of the examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary:
I think it's important for there to be additional opportunities for the views of residents to be taken into account.

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)