

Response 795

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: Pam sixsmith

Email address: [REDACTED]

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

A local resident who lives in Warrington

A person who works 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		
Sound		X
Compliant with the Duty to Co-operate		

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.

The plan is not sound for a number of reasons. The housing numbers are much too high compared with the official population figures and there is no need to plan ahead for 20 years when additional brownfield sites may become available during that period. We have just learnt that Fiddlers Ferry site is closing which will release a lot of land. Green belt land is so precious. The government say it should only be released under exceptional circumstances. The predicted population growth does not require all this green belt land to be released. The loss of green belt is contrary to national policy and is not justified for the objectives of the Plan. The economic picture is equally over ambitious, influenced by the Council's growth ambition for the town, rather than actual need for commercial premises which will use a lot of automatic machinery rather than supply good quality jobs for local people. Again, this does not meet the exceptional circumstances required to release green belt land. The transport routes from south warrington into the town are poor and change is restricted by the river and canals. There are no clear explanations of which roads will be developed nor clear information about how these will be funded. The amount of proposed development will greatly increase congestion and worsen the already poor air quality. Pollution is currently partly dispersed by the countryside adjoining the motorway network. This will worsen once the countryside is gone. The need for additional schools and some health centres are included in the plan but the council cannot guarantee that these will be built or give timescales. Warrington hospital cannot always cope with the current demands and there is always a shortage of mental health beds at Hollins Park - an increase of nearly 19000 homes will cause intolerable strain on these resources. The character of South Warrington will be totally changed with the loss of individual village identities. While I accept that some development is unavoidable, it is the scale of it which is frightening. Once we lose this green belt land, it is low for ever. Every attempt ought to be made to minimise this loss. The risk to Moore nature reserve is another major concern and there is little information about the environmental and ecological impact of the loss of so much Green Belt. Employment allocations on wildlife and leisure sites are contrary to national policy.

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.

I do not agree with the amount of housing and do not think these figures are desirable looking objectively at the predicted population growth.
I do not think the infrastructure plans give enough detail to be able to say what would make them sound but current information suggests even more traffic queues and pollution.
I do not feel there are exceptional circumstances for releasing 115 hectares of green belt for warehousing

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)