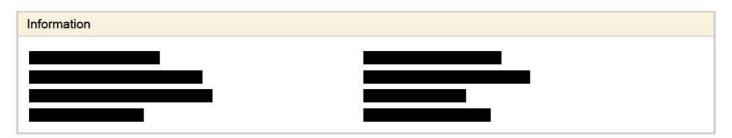
# Response 907

# **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: Mark Welsh

Email address:

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

A group or organisation

3. Please complete the following:

Contact details	
Organisation name (if applicable)	Warrington and Halton NHS Foundation Trust
Agent name (if applicable)	la la
Address 1	Warrington Hospital
Address 2	Warrington
Postcode	WA5 1QG
Telephone number	

# 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

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.

Please note that we have answered Yes to these questions but only on the basis that the plan appears robust and that we have had an opportunity to be engaged in the planning consultation.

The legal aspect I am not qualified to confirm.

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 noncompliance 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.

None

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

- 8. If you wish to upload documents to support your representation form then please select 'choose file' below. You can upload a max number of 2 files (up to 25MB each). If you are submitting more than one representation form please note: If this file upload supports more than one representation form then please do not attempt to upload the same file on subsequent forms. On additional representation forms please use the comments/file description box to type in the 'name of the file', or 'see previous form'. If the file upload is a different document for additional representation forms then please continue to upload the file as normal.
  - File: Response to Local Plan Final.docx <u>Download</u>

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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)







Date: Monday 17th June 2019

Warrington Proposed Submission Version Local Plan 2017 – 2037

**Response from Warrington & Halton Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust** 

#### June 2019

#### 1. Introduction

The Trust welcomes the opportunity to respond to the consultation. In providing our response as an organisation we confine our attention on the Council's first, third and fourth Strategic Objectives for the Local Plan:

Objective (1) "To enable the sustainable growth of Warrington, the delivery of strategic and local infrastructure, the strengthening of existing neighbourhoods and the creation of new sustainable neighbourhoods whilst delivering a minimum of 18,900 new homes (equating to 945 per year) between 2017and 2037."

Objective (3) "To strengthen and expand the role of Warrington Town Centre as a regional employment, retail, leisure, cultural and transport hub, whilst transforming the quality of the public realm and making the Town Centre a place where people want to live".

Objective (4) "To provide new infrastructure and services to support Warrington's growth, address congestion, promote safer and more sustainable travel; and encourage active and healthy lifestyles".

### 2. Context/Engagement to date

The Trust is involved in discussions and planning about Healthcare Provision in the Borough through close working with Commissioners and partners; is a member of the Warrington Health and Wellbeing Board and regularly attends/presents to the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee.









At a planning/estates level members of our estates team have joined planning/transport meetings with partners in the Borough including the Transformation Estates Group. The Trust has established a New Hospital Steering Group jointly with the Council.

Additionally we are establishing an operational group to focus on developing the business case for the new hospital facility which will also have council representation. These two groups will also consider in conjunction with the Council's planning team site options for the new hospital.

We have appreciated the opportunities to engage patients, visitors, staff, and communities around the Local Plan and specifically on future Healthcare provision in Warrington. We would be pleased to continue to host exhibitions or 'drop in' sessions at our hospital which has a significant footfall of Warrington patients, staff and visitors every day.

### 3. Response to consultation

As an organisation we applaud the vision of the Council for the Borough, we, like the Council, wish the town to grow, develop and prosper. We are pleased to note the specific inclusion of a new hospital as part of the Local Plan (Page 90). Equally we note the council support for either redevelopment of the existing hospital site or for a new site to be identified. As noted above we continue to work with local stakeholders on developing this proposal.

According to growth predictions the growing population would be supported by four new primary schools and a large secondary school and therefore a corresponding population of at circa 50K. As an integral system partner the Council is aware that the hospital is already challenged by demand from existing patients therefore we welcome the inclusion of new hospital as part of the plan.

The population profile for the Borough of Warrington as a whole is older than the national average making it an older person's location. While we as a system are working hard to this end, we know that the reality is capped public sector funding for the foreseeable future and reducing numbers of health and social care professionals coming into the system. We also note the fundamental public health strategies driving a healthier population but this will in reality take one if not two generations to impact in the way that we need.

Warrington needs a new, modern, purpose-built hospital located on a more suitable site that is accessible for all.









The Council is supportive of the Trust's vision for Warrington Hospital, that of modern fit-for-purpose facility that is designed to treat emergency cases, provide urgent interventions and in all cases work hand in hand with the community to either reduce or prevent admission and to enable swift step down and rehabilitation. Additionally we are working with local partners to explore opportunities for the joined-up provision of a wider set of services including health, social care, education and 3<sup>rd</sup> sector services.

In line with the NHS Ten Year Plan we want to ensure that we develop local services that support new models of care, support action on prevention and health inequalities and deliver further progress on quality and care outcomes for the people of Warrington.

We note that there were several references within the plan for 'healthcare' facilities to be developed to support infrastructure development. We will be working to ensure that these are developed to support delivery of integrated care for local residents.

A key objective of the NHS Ten Year Plan and our own Trust Strategy is to ensure care is delivered as close to patients as possible. This will also have an impact on the development of the future hospital for Warrington to help manage patient demand and impact on minimising demand for acute services.

As Warrington's older population grows there will be increased demand for intermediate care, supported living and care home provision. This will have an obvious impact upon local health services and how they are delivered to care for local people. The trust will continue to work with local partners to ensure that these services are developed on an integrated basis delivered from local community facilities wherever possible.

The Trust is extremely keen to continue to work in partnership with the council on the planning and delivery of a new hospital and other healthcare facilities within the Borough. This joint programme of work will include exploring all funding options for new facilities, including applications under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for Section 106 contributions from new housing projects to support service delivery in the future.

# 4. Specific feedback following Central Area Plan engagement workshop

We had representatives at the Central Area Master Planning Workshop (5<sup>th</sup> June 2019). The Trust appreciate being given the opportunity to be involved in these events and will continue to support in the future.









We note the following points from the most recent event. Please note that some apply specifically to the Central area while others are generic against the wider planning context.

- 1. We note the ambition to improve transport to hospital and would welcome opportunities to work with local partners on this as it is a key priority for us.
- 2. We support the requirement to develop local healthcare services and the requirement for community hubs to be created. We also believe that the hospital ought to be considered as part of the opportunities for service development in regard to this theme.
- 3. As a major employer in Warrington, the Trust, would like to continue working with local partners in the areas of local supply chain, education and employment.
- 4. The Trust would like further engagement in the Lovely Lane pilots to ensure no negative impact on access to hospital. (Inclusive, Safer, Greener theme).

Please acknowledge receipt of this response.

