From:

To: Local Plan

Subject: Objection to Warrington Local Plan

Date: 14 June 2019 13:57:15

Dear Sir / Madam,

I am writing to express my concern about the Local Plan for Warrington and the proposed development for South Warrington over the next twenty years.

My concern - along with that of so many other people - is based on the scale of the development and the irreversible damage that it will cause to our countryside and our environment.

Of course, with population growth, everybody recognises the need for additional housing but I would only ask the council to consider very carefully if this is the right means of expansion and the appropriate area for development.

What kind of town are we trying to make Warrington? At the moment it seems that its future is designed to be a sprawling transport hub and commuter town with an undistinguished and underused town centre.

In addition I would say that people who live in urban areas do not only need housing but they need space - green space. All people need a place to breathe.

Where does the expansion end? The limit has to be drawn somewhere, which is what we all believed green belt to be.

Is this what Warrington is going to become? While others are trying to set an environmental benchmark, to be progressive and forward thinking in terms of ecology, the legacy of this council - should the development go ahead - would be one of environmental vandalism. Of only contributing to congestion and pollution.

So much of what we have heard from those trying to sell us this development project is that it will bring great economic advantages. But it seems to me that it would come at a far greater price and I would strongly urge The Council to reconsider.

Yours faithfully,

Andrew Cotter

