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I want to voice my opposition to Option 2 of the development plan because:

- It will destroy valuable green belt land and leave nowhere for our wildlife to flourish
- Use of green belt land hasn't been justified by housing calculations, figures are in dispute, could be much lower and accommodated on existing brownfield sites
- Only benefit developers and the council with high purchase prices for new houses and high council tax income
- Our villages would become joined up into one giant urban area, with token open spaces.
- The identity of distinct communities will be lost forever.
- Grappenhall Village will not benefit from additional car parking (badly needed)
- It will affect the Trans Pennine Trail, which runs close to my house. Development as a strategic route, whether road, busway or railway, will remove a valuable wildlife corridor, public amenity, cycleway and cause destruction, devaluation and pollution to affected and adjacent properties along the route.
- Adversely affect local historical architecture (i.e. the railway bridge over the Ship Canal)
- Building on fields that are regularly saturated with high water table levels will increase the flooding elsewhere
- Greatly reduce available agricultural land, that is actually used for growing food and cereal crops.
- Vastly increase traffic congestion through the number of additional cars per new house introduced into the area
- Not provide affordable housing for local people, only rented accommodation or part owned housing association property
- Building industrial property will not result in a purely local workforce working there – most people won't be able to afford the local housing, more traffic from people travelling in to work will be inevitable.
- Existing poor air quality will continue to worsen, with increased traffic and pollution.
- We already live between two major cities, which a lot of residents travel to for work. Warrington does not need to be a city too, with vast urban areas and parks instead of distinct communities and open spaces. We live in South Warrington because it is not a city with urban sprawl, the countryside is on our doorstep.

Regards,

