

Dear Sirs

I write with regard to the above mentioned proposals.

I have lived in Appleton Thorn for years and have enjoyed the convenience of close proximity to the motor network whilst living in a semi rural, village environment. I imagine the residents of the lovely villages of Grappenhall, Appleton and Stretton will feel the same horror as I do that their peaceful existence is to be swallowed up into a new city and that most of the green belt connecting these villages via fields and paths would disappear for ever.

The infrastructure is already stretched and this proposal would worsen the situation, even with the proposed new through road which scythes through our green belt. I accept there are pockets of land that have been set aside for housing development, but these are of a size that can be accommodated without ruining what we currently enjoy. Spare a thought for the natural habitat and wildlife that will be destroyed too. I'm all for progress but not at any price.

Yours Faithfully