

Dear Sir

I believe that we should provide enough homes for our population, and plan for our children's requirements, but enough homes - not too many.

The current numbers the Local Plan is based on would seem to be flawed, following the local formula changes, and I would ask the council re-calculate the demand, based on the new formula. If it is correct that this number could reduce by 5,000, this would have a huge impact on the greenbelt requirement.

I am also concerned that the infrastructure required to service the increased numbers has not been properly thought through. For example it seems that no traffic plan has been drawn up for the increase in residents numbers. I appreciate this is an expensive process, but for example Sheffield Council has come up with a scheme where potential developers are funding proper traffic surveys at the local plan stage. Warrington could maybe explore this route, but it is key that Infrastructure is addressed - in Lymm for example there is a need for additional schools, improvements to roads and more retail and commercial facilities as well as simply housing. I would ask that infrastructure is developed before, not after, new housing is built.

The type of housing is key - and I would hope to see a suitable amount of affordable housing, and the opportunity for local 'Self Build' schemes to be developed.

Neighbourhood planning is important, and I hope WBC will embrace the Lymm Neighbourhood plan being developed at the moment, and development plans work round this, rather than be 'imposed' by Warrington.

Regards

