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Councillor,

I am writing an open letter to object and complain about your recently announced road plans and housing building plans.

I have been in contact with Mr. Steve Hunter Warrington Borough Council and his predecessors with for a significant number of years to ensure that Warrington has a Tram and Light option included in LTP 1, LTP2 and the current Transport Plan going back over the last 15+ years

I have had a number of meetings with Mr. Hunter and his Consultant from Mott Mc Donald & Co. At the last meeting it was agreed that a number of potential route in Warrington including Park & Ride were possible especially in support of the Rail North project that is happening

I was advised that the next stage was up to the political section of the Council as this was bigger than their powers.

I tried unsuccessfully 10+ times to arrange a meeting with the leader of the Council Mr. Terry O' Neil earlier this year with promises to ring back that never happened despite the fact that this gentleman is our representative with Transport for The North

These road and housing plans are contrary to best urban practice in the light of what is happening elsewhere in the world and are more of yesterday's planning. Overwhelming evidence shows that it is not possible build your way out of congestion and the significant threat of road/tyre/brake wear in the urban area is greater than that recognised by "Tailpipe emissions"

As a local business, we specialise in this area and are disappointed in the lack of cognisance and support for Warrington based business and will be requesting more details under the Freedom of Information Act

I am prepared to have a meeting with you to discuss how we can avoid Warrington squandering scarce resources and potential legal claims

There is more evidence on www.applrguk.co.uk, a site that we maintained for the All Party Parliamentary Light Rail Group, House of Commons

Yours aye,

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