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Dear Resident

Cheshire East is considering* a four week consultation from May 3rd concerning our Local Plan Core Strategy.

This will form part of a robust consultation; to consult you on sites that have come through from December by developers. None of these site applications are supported by the Council, however to be robust we are consulting you so that the Council can counter robustly any developers potential legal challenge.

I, as Leader of the Council, am personally shocked at the number of sites from Wistaston in Crewe, to Sandbach and Wychwood Park, and I state that I want the people of these areas that are being consulted to come and speak out. I want petitions, which cumulatively, we could use to force a parliamentary debate. Make no doubt, Cheshire East stands strongly against these unwanted, unsustainable developments.

As we gather momentum to completing our Local Plan core strategy and our five year supply, developers are rushing to bring in sites purely to land bank, something I am on the record to say I find immoral.

I have attended several protest/residents' meetings on some of these sites and developers are being quoted as saying that people want/need these houses. I disagree, but Cheshire East Council wants to know definitively.

So support your Council, support your Local Plan core strategy by responding, clearly stating what you want and DO NOT WANT. Send a message that enough is enough and that the Cheshire East core strategy has more than enough houses already.

Yours sincerely



Councillor Michael E Jones
Leader of the Council

*The decision to consult will be taken at a special meeting of Strategic Planning Board on May 1 and confirmed by the Portfolio Holder.