

## Witney Infrastructure Neighbourhood Group (WING)

WING has been established to coordinate the responses of local parishes around Witney to the proposals and options for housing development in the North Witney Strategic Development Area (SDA). WING has representatives from parishes that are mostly, but not wholly, on the north of the Windrush and are most affected by limited access into Witney across the single river crossing in Bridge Street.

The Local Plan includes for 1400 houses to be built. It also recognises that Witney already suffers from congestion and air pollution and that these problems would be worsened by the increase in population and traffic arising from North Witney housing. The Local Plan therefore requires that infrastructure improvements would be funded by the SDA developer.

If North Witney housing goes ahead, we believe it is vital that the associated infrastructure improvements are well thought out and fully delivered. We will contribute to decision making to make sure this happens. It is important that the best use is made of funding that becomes available to improve local infrastructure.

The targets we will demand are:

- **Construction of the West End Link (WEL)**
- **Construction of Northern Distributor Road (NDR)**
- **Flood Prevention Measures through the Windrush Valley**
- **Community infrastructure as part of the North Witney housing scheme**

We will report in more detail on each of these priority areas and engage with residents to ensure that there is a broad response to our public consultation. This will provide a mandate for WING to act positively and constructively as we assist County, District and Town in reaching the best decisions.

WING's membership already includes:

- Hailey Parish Council
- Crawley Parish Council
- North Leigh Parish Council
- South Leigh Parish Council
- Hanborough Parish Council
- Witney Town Council
- Ramsden Parish Council



We would welcome other local Councils to join the collaboration group.