

WANSFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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Dear Wansford Resident,

As advised in the October 2024 Living Villages article, Wansford Parish Council is considering producing a Neighbourhood Plan (NP). A NP gives a community direct power to develop a shared vision for its neighbourhood and to shape the development and growth of its local area. The importance of a NP and its production is that it is community-led. Participation by residents is vital to ensure the community as a whole is engaged. By this means the community can influence the future shape of its environment and what infrastructure should be provided. Benefits of a NP enables the community to play a much stronger role in setting out a positive, proactive approach to shape and direct changes to meet local needs.

During a public meeting (18 Nov. 2024) it was confirmed that both [Peterborough City Council](#) and [Huntingdon District Council](#) are actively consulting on their Local Plans which propose significant new developments. For instance, Wansford could be impacted by a proposed site off Old Leicester Road (Seeds Field) and three sites in Huntingdon: Sibson Garden Community; Chesterton Garden Village and Land West of A1 (North of Peterborough Motorway Services).

With this in mind, it was agreed that conducting a survey of Wansford residents is a priority, initially to establish a Wansford Designated Neighbourhood Forum to produce a NP.

Once the NP is approved by the Government planning inspectorate and a local referendum, future developments in Wansford must comply with the Wansford NP. Producing a NP is a demanding project and will only be delivered through the support of our local community.

Would you consider offering your assistance developing Wansford's NP?

The following are just some of the skills sought. Do you have any or some of them that you are willing to share?

- *Local knowledge*
- *Skills Local Government experience, especially Planning*
- *Legal knowledge*
- *Organisational skills*
- *Clerical Media (including social media, data analysis, mapping)*
- *Public relations*
- *Project management*
- *Financial management*

While this list is not exclusive it does give an idea of the sort of help that will be needed. If you have any of these skills, or you would just like to help, please write or email our Clerk on clerk@wansford-pc.gov.uk by the end of December 2024.

Many thanks.

Patricia Stuart-Mogg
Wansford Parish Councillor