

Housing Supply

We are currently planning to allocate sites for 200 new homes in Watlington. This is because:

The requirement for new homes throughout South Oxfordshire is expected to rise considerably up to 2032

SODC is preparing a new Local Plan which is likely to include provision for 750 new homes in the District each year from 2011 to 2032. Watlington is expected to provide its share of this development

Neighbourhood Plans are coming unstuck in some South Oxfordshire villages because Planning Inspectors have given permission for large developments which were not wanted locally. This has happened in Chinnor and Benson and we want to try to avoid this in Watlington by completing our Neighbourhood Plan as quickly as possible. Even this may not protect us from unwanted development.

The Government wants to boost home building because of the national shortage of housing. We cannot go against this trend.

There are several sites in Watlington which are available for development. We will propose a mix of sites to provide for 200 new homes using our site selection process and preferences expressed by local people.