To residents of Willow Close, Beech Close, Ash Close, and Sycamore Close Watlington

Say No to a bypass through our housing estate

The Neighbourhood Plan distributed to households in the Marle Brook Estate, (Willow Close, Beech Close, Ash Close and Sycamore Close) shows the intention to construct a bypass right through our estate, on Willow Close! At peak times there would be around 50 HGV's (Heavy Goods Vehicles) per hour passing through the estate, plus around 800 cars and LGV's (Light Goods Vehicles), per hour! It will be impossible for the children to walk to school, or to ride bikes and scooters along Willow Close. All the properties will be affected, property values will drop, and it will become a dangerous noisy place with huge trucks thundering through, - no longer a child friendly, family estate.

Something definitely needs to be done about the traffic through Watlington. There already is a 7.5 tonne weight limit for traffic, which is completely ignored, and not enforced. Why not enforce it, even if only for peak times? All those HGV's blocking up the road would not be such a problem, and possibly a bypass would not be required at all.

If a bypass is eventually required, the Neighbourhood Plan proposes alternative bypass routes linking Britwell Road to Howe Road, and then another link to Shirburn Road. This will be far more preferable, because it will link the three roads with the most traffic on them, (not much comes through Cuxham Road), and almost no properties will be adversely affected.

Say No to this proposal by signing this letter, and depositing it at the Parish Council Office by 21st February 2015. Alternatively make this clear on your Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire, if you received one.

WE SAY NO TO A MARLE BROOK ESTATE BYPASS.

Date 11-2-15

To the Parish Clerk. Please keep copies of all these letters, for future reference.