

Witherley Parish Council

Serving the communities of Witherley, Fenny Drayton, Ratcliffe Culey and Atterton



Designation of the area will provide clarity with neighbouring parishes, County, Borough and Parish Councillors and residents as to where responsibilities start and finish.

Witherley Parish Council aims to create a Neighbourhood Plan, with the involvement of key local interest groups and residents. Consultation with the community will generate evidence which will ensure that through Planning Guidance the Parish of Witherley can develop in such a manner as to protect the area's heritage, maintain its character and provide for future infrastructure, housing and employment needs for a viable and sustainable outlook.

In applying for designated area status, the key essential aims of the resultant Neighbourhood Plan will be to:

- Preserve the character of Witherley Parish
- Retain a distinct community, protect and cherish existing natural and physical heritage
- Meet defined housing needs in line with national policy and local strategic planning policy
- Facilitate the needs of residents in the areas of education, health, leisure and transport
- Meet defined employment needs to ensure availability of sites for adequate local employment opportunities
- Ensure that growth is fused with required infrastructure improvements
- Retain, protect and increase green spaces, public rights of way and recreation facilities

QUALIFYING BODY STATEMENT

Witherley Parish Council, the organisation applying for designated area status for developing a Neighbourhood Plan for Witherley Parish, is adjudged to be a 'Relevant/Qualifying Body' (specified in Section 61G of the 1990 Act) in making an application for the area delineated by the parish boundaries of Witherley.

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