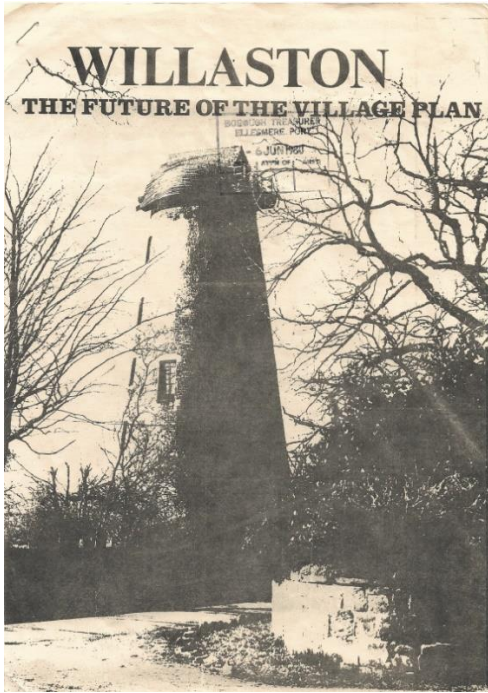


The Future of Willaston Village Plan

Should there be a relief road around Willaston?



In 1980, a consultation was held with the village about whether a relief road should be built around Willaston. Previous plans had envisaged a loop road, part of which was Old Vicarage Road, together with an access road to the Broadlake development.

The question asked of the village was whether the village should be allowed to expand to the limits set, allowing for the completion of the loop road. This would have taken approximately 12 acres of land to the southwest of the village, to be made into housing.

The consultation document noted that 'the twisting bend by the Nag's Head can no longer be improved, because Cannel Court

old people's accommodation is built on land which would be used for road improvement.'

The purpose of the relief road would be to free the centre of the village from vehicles and to move most traffic to a 'wider straighter road, with houses set well back from the road'.

At the time, it was estimated that about 2,600 people live in the 960 existing dwellings. The estimated population if the village extended was around 3,250.

