

## SWRR – Aims & Objectives

To support the national agenda for growth the emerging South East Lincolnshire Local Plan identifies Spalding as a major area for growth and seeks to support the delivery of significant housing and economic development.

However, Network Rail plan to route additional freight trains through Spalding town centre as part of the Joint Line upgrade, this will result in severe disruption to the road network and is a major concern to the future economy of Spalding.

Furthermore, proposals to create a Rail Freight Interchange (RFI) to the south west of Spalding will deliver significant benefits in terms of transferring freight from road to rail but may also increase rail traffic through the town.

To support future growth and mitigate the impact of increased rail freight passing through the town a Western Relief Road is being promoted. The Spalding Western Relief Road (SWRR) will provide a link between the B1172 (Spalding Common) and the B1356 (Spalding Road), and provide suitable infrastructure to enable future housing / commercial growth.

The objectives of the SWRR can be summarised as:

<b>SWRR 1</b>	To support and facilitate sustainable population and commercial growth within South Holland in accordance with the emerging South East Lincolnshire Local Plan
<b>SWRR 2</b>	To deliver economic benefits by reducing delays and improving journey times
<b>SWRR 3</b>	To mitigate the impact of increased freight passing through Spalding and the associated increase in level crossing barrier downtime
<b>SWRR 4</b>	To reduce traffic congestion in Spalding town centre
<b>SWRR 5</b>	To have regard to the aims of the SHDC Economic Development Strategy and Lincolnshire County Council's LTP which seek to deliver environmental and traffic benefits
<b>SWRR 5</b>	To enhance connectivity by improving west to south links around Spalding
<b>SWRR 7</b>	To enhance quality of life for residents of Spalding by improving air quality, reducing carbon emissions and addressing issues of town centre safety
<b>SWRR 8</b>	To improve the reliability of public transport by minimising delays in the town centre
<b>SWRR 9</b>	To support and encourage walking and cycling by reducing town centre traffic and providing safe links