



# WING NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

## YOUR VILLAGE, YOUR FUTURE

### The Natural and Historic Environment Group



## Knowing your place – village and parish

Historic England (English Heritage) says:

*“When a community is planning its future, through a Community-Led Plan, it is important to consider its past. By including their heritage in the plan, communities can really get to know the place in which they live. They can ensure it keeps its vitality, sense of identity and individuality. They can choose the best ways for it to develop and grow. They can hand it on – as a place to be proud of – to future generations.”*

## The Objectives of the NHEG are to:

1. Make a character assessment of the parish:

- **survey and record** its natural and historic assets
- **analyse** the urban fabric of the village, identifying the features and spaces which give Wing its distinctive character and the aspects which enhance and detract
- **carry out** a visual assessment of the parish and its relationship with the surrounding Rutland landscape, including which parts of the parish are open to view and which are visually contained, identifying positive and negative attributes



Church Street, falls away down the north side of the hill, Horse Chestnut dominates the street ©Jacqueline Straubinger

2. Seek the views of villagers as to which features, places and spaces within the village and its immediate surroundings are meaningful to them in identifying Wing as their home, and which detract from the village's good qualities.

3. In consultation with villagers, identify opportunities to enhance and enrich the natural and historic assets of the parish.



Wing is a distinctive hill top village © Wendy Dalton

Including heritage in our plan is not about fossilising the village. Without an understanding of our heritage, well-intended actions could cause damage that might be impossible to put right.

Knowledge of its history helps a community understand how it has changed over time. This will stimulate ideas for future actions and help to guide them.



Wing Maze, known as a labyrinth, it measures around 14 metres in diameter.

The point at which you feel you have arrived in your village can be defined in many ways, it may be a first distant glimpse of the village or a particular point or feature on entering the village.



West entrance to Wing from Preston



East entrance to Wing from Morcott

We will be seeking your thoughts on these and other matters concerning **what features and spaces are important to you and what makes Wing your home.**