



### **Why are we asking for your support for this road?**

By signing our petition, you are supporting our latest plea for a bypass.

The need was first acknowledged before WW2! But more prominently in 1951 and again in the 60s and 70s (being recognised as necessary by different governments in the early part of the decade), and 80s and 90s (when Kirklees Council actually gave the go-ahead, then scrapped it in 1997). Further planning this century obviously came to nothing.

Funding is now available for new roads and upgrades, under the Major Road Network scheme. Kirklees have, however, not included any proposals for changes to the A637 – the main road through our village – despite the lengthy history of Flockton's need.

### **Why do we need this road?**

Motorists who use the road will understand our concerns. Many have accepted this leaflet whilst queuing through the village, as they often do, daily. Accidents and near-misses occur all too regularly, and have resulted in several fatalities in recent years.

### **What's significant about this road?**

- **Traffic counts** can show over 600 vehicles per hour each way at peak times.
- **An infamous chicane**, known to thousands of people passing through.
- **A steep hill** from the village up to Grange Moor roundabout, which many HGV's struggle with – especially in winter.
- **Bad bends and cambers** where vehicles often mount pavements – sometimes resulting in near misses or bad accidents.
- **A First and Pre-School** in the middle of the village, which parents and carers struggle to get to, due to the many larger and wider vehicles often forcing them up against walls.
- **HGV 'No Access' signs ignored** regularly by HGV's approaching from the Huddersfield side.
- **A 30mph village speed limit** that too many drivers totally ignore – as well as the 40 and 50 limits set either side of it – speeding excessively.
- **A bypass** will greatly reduce our problems, whilst benefitting countless others.

Please sign and keep updated on [www.flocktonbypass.co.uk](http://www.flocktonbypass.co.uk) Thank You