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South Northamptonshire MP Andrea Leadsom is pressing for funding for the Farthinghoe Bypass on the A422.

Ahead of a meeting Andrea has called on Thursday 12th September with Northamptonshire County Council, England's Economic Heartland Strategic Alliance, and the South East Midlands Local Enterprise Partnership, she met today with the Leader of the County Council, Cllr Matt Golby, to discuss the urgent need to find a funding source for the Farthinghoe Bypass, as part of a wider conversation on priorities for South Northamptonshire.

Andrea said:

"I share the disappointment felt by the Parish Council and the Farthinghoe community that no funding bid was forthcoming in support of the Farthinghoe Bypass.

"I intend to press as strongly as I can for NCC to submit a bid for funding for the bypass through the DfT's Pinch Point Fund; I understand from officials in the Department for Transport that – although the A422 sits on the Major Road Network – if a strong enough case is made, it could be considered suitable.

"I had the opportunity to discuss this earlier today with the Leader of the County Council, Cllr Matt Golby, and welcomed his support for this approach.

"I will be meeting with the Secretary of State for Transport as soon as possible to discuss this in more detail, and to explore any and all alternative funding solutions for this vital road infrastructure project."

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For more detail, please see Andrea's

blog: <https://www.andrealeadsom.com/news/20190906/farthinghoe-funding>

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