

**RUTLAND LOCAL PLAN UPDATE COMMENT FROM**  
**GREAT CASTERTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the revised Rutland Plan, which incorporates St Georges.

Great Casterton is sufficiently far away from St Georges for it to be much affected by the actual development. However it is close to the North Stamford development, which is also large scale and will have similar effects on local communities in Rutland. With that in mind the Parish Council has two comments on the future road structure, and on public transport strategy.

With two large developments within, or close to Rutland there will be a large increase in the number of cars, delivery vehicles and utility traffic. Rutland is a rural county with few major roads, but with small villages/communities connected by narrow roads. The resolution of this dilemma will be difficult and it is recommended that the Rutland Plan reflects this and gives some indication of the way ahead.

Secondly there is the issue of public transport, particularly the integrated part of it. There will always be people who either prefer to travel by bus or are elderly and have to rely on a decent service. This is another area that needs highlighting in the Plan. At present the wording is loose, using phrases like “as far as possible”: this is an indication of the lowest common

denominator, such as one bus a week on market days. This may fit that criteria but it is not good enough for communities.

The Parish Council looks forward to the revised plan.