

Our priorities

Many new developments are poorly designed and masterplanned, and deliver more for short-term profit than long-term value.

We want to be different. We want Stamford North to be known as a special place, a successful part of a thriving town. We want to be known to you as a caring, responsible developer with a long-term interest in making Stamford North work.

Our priorities guide how we go about designing and building our schemes.



Community

We aim to improve the lives not only of the residents of new homes but of those in the surrounding neighbourhoods and towns.

We know that Stamford has existing problems with traffic, healthcare and school places. We want to address these problems in how we design and build Stamford North.

Net zero carbon

As we prepare the plans for a development that will outlast us, we have a responsibility to build a place that will contribute to healthy, sustainable living for generations to come.



We have committed to making Stamford North 'net zero carbon', meaning that its construction will not make a contribution to climate change. The design of the homes in Stamford North will help people to live zero carbon lives.



Biodiversity

Over the past seventy-five years, we have seen a massive reduction in biodiversity across Britain. Building has played its part in this crisis, but the biggest contribution has been the farming systems that support the way we now feed ourselves.

So while it is natural to assume building on farmland is detrimental to ecology, the truth is most modern farmland is so lacking in wildlife that building homes presents a real opportunity to help put things right. That change is only possible, however, if we are completely focussed on achieving a net gain in biodiversity in and around the new place we want create.

Stamford North lies in a gentle valley between the Quarry Farm nature site and the River Gwash. Before building begins, we will

follow the natural terrain and restore a nature-rich corridor running the length of the site, reconnecting quarry with river.

This green spine - a new linear park - will define how the homes, roads and amenities are arranged in Stamford North. No home will be further than a couple of minutes walk from this major new piece of parkland or indeed from restored countryside.

The new linear park will help us retain and enhance existing habitats on site, whilst adding new features that are better for wildlife than conventionally farmed arable fields - such as wildflower grassland, hedgerows, swales, scrub, street trees and woodland.

In addition to this, Burghley will create new biodiversity-rich landscapes around Stamford, for both people and wildlife to enjoy.



Our proposals

P Green Linear Park

The linear park will provide a key green spine to the development, enhancing biodiversity, promoting walking and cycling, providing access to sport, education, play and a new local centre.

R Green routes in and out of Stamford North

New north-south green corridors will cross the current boundaries and connect Stamford North with the existing town so that the two can quickly become one.

A Local Centre

A vibrant place with shops and services for new and existing communities. It will also be a hub for employment.

S Sports Centre

Stamford AFC and the Borderville Sports Centre are important community assets. We are working closely with them on how we can enhance their facilities and create even more opportunities for community use. We are also exploring the potential to co-locate facilities with other organisations.



S Primary School

A new two-form entry primary school is proposed to serve the pupils of the new and existing communities.

M Gwash Meadows

A large swathe of existing agricultural land situated between the disused railway corridor and the River Gwash, an area equivalent to 40 football pitches which will be converted into a mosaic of high value grassland, wet meadows, wet scrapes and wet woodland.

L Link Road

A new east-west road connecting Ryhall Road with Little Casterton Road, joining a new link to the A1, alleviating town centre traffic.

D Drainage

There is a low risk of flooding on the site. We are developing a drainage strategy that follows the site's natural ability to soak water into the ground, in order to minimise flood risk from the development whilst realising wider biodiversity and amenity benefits.

U Utilities

The site can be supplied by the utility companies for drinking water, electricity and broadband, and wastewater can be connected to the existing public sewers. Some of the existing networks will need to be improved and we are working with network operators to ensure these are co-ordinated and timed to meet demand. As this will be a net zero development, there will be no gas in Stamford North.



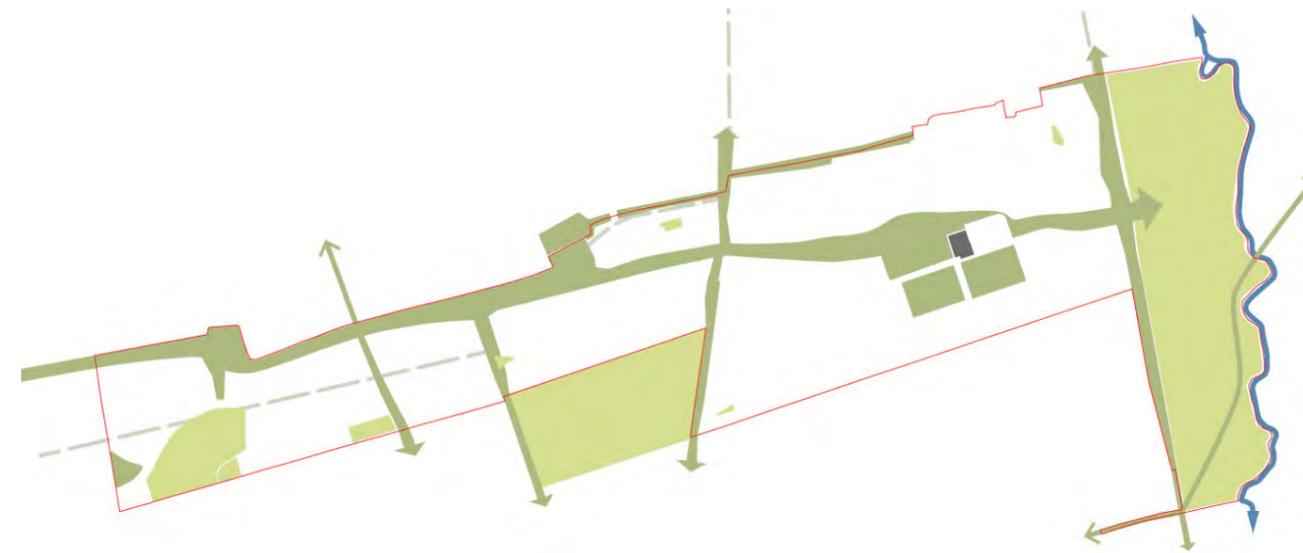
New homes

Landscape and green space

We want to turn currently inaccessible farmland into a large new public park, a place that everyone in the town can use and enjoy. This will mean that Stamford will soon have two great landscaped parks, the existing much-loved park of Burghley House to the south, and a new green linear park to the north.

The linear park responds to the form and flow of the land, reopening the valley to take water, wildlife, people and dogs down to the Gwash. A valley parkland that threads through the settlement with parks, pitches, playgrounds, orchards and allotments.

In scale, the new linear park will be 4 times larger than Stamford Meadows in the centre of the town.



 Stamford Meadows: Approx. 5.9 acres Proposed Linear Park: 23.5 acres Proposed Gwash Meadows: 44.2 acres

Landscape first

The site is a gentle valley running down eastward to the River Gwash. Its topography has defined our landscape design and that in turn has defined the location of amenities, roads and homes.

By organising the entire masterplan around a new linear park longer than the development itself, we aim to enable all of Stamford's community to embrace an outdoor lifestyle.



We also plan to restore the historic tree-lined avenue along Ryhall Road, giving Stamford a new northern entrance of which to be proud.

Working with the natural valley

We will re-establish the valley landform that historically extended to the west of Ryhall Road, providing a continuation of the linear park through to the Gwash Nature Park.

The meadowland next to the Gwash will be restored, with carefully managed access to preserve opportunities for biodiversity gain.

A connected series of parklands and open spaces along the park will also provide opportunities for the integration of a sustainable drainage system that works in tandem with the landform to manage surface water in a holistic and natural manner.



Play

To provide for a flourishing new neighbourhood, we want to build three substantial play areas along the route of the park. These will be high quality Local or Neighbourhood Equipped Areas for Play (LEAPs or NEAPs), constructed out of natural materials.

Ideally, these will sit next to other open space activities, such as allotments and sports facilities.

We also plan to develop a 'playable landscape' with informal and 'doorstep' play spaces. No one will need to walk too far to play.



What would you like to see?



Adventure play



Dog Walking Routes



Woodland



Biodiversity Focus



Access to water



Dipping Ponds



Sports Pitches



Art / Sculpture



Multigenerational Play



Community Sports



Picnic Areas



Amenity grassland



Grassland Meadows



Sustainable Drainage



Orchards



Allotments



Exercise Trail



Working Pastures

Is there anything else you would like to see that isn't listed above?

Let us know