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# Good News Bulletin

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**Welcome to the Land, Planning and Development Federation Good News Bulletin.**

**Published on a monthly basis the Federation wishes to recognise and celebrate the good work achieved by our full members.**

**Thank you to everyone who has supplied content and congratulations on your success.**

Richborough

## Construction Starts On New Lidl GB Supermarket At Market Weighton



**Construction is under way on a new Lidl supermarket at Richborough's 19-acre mixed-use development in Market Weighton, East Riding of Yorkshire.**

The approximately 21,500 sq ft foodstore is expected to create around 40 local jobs and open later this year. It forms part of a wider scheme that will also deliver 120 new homes, being developed by Danum Homes as The Wolds.

Richborough Commercial worked alongside Richborough's Northern residential team to promote the site, leading on the commercial element and helping to shape an integrated development that makes effective use of the land. The approved plans also include rooftop solar panels, a wildlife meadow, pond and landscaping.

The project demonstrates Richborough's ability to bring together its commercial and residential expertise to create mixed-use developments that respond to local needs while making productive use of strategic land.

For further information please contact Nick Jones: **Nick.jones@richborough.co.uk**



## Richborough Strengthens Its National Team

**Richborough has strengthened its planning and technical capability with three new appointments across its national business, as it continues to expand its portfolio and in-house expertise.**

James Little joins as Technical Coordinator, bringing experience in civil engineering and technical design. He will work with the technical team to identify and address constraints and support sites through planning and development.

In the South West, Matthew Galvin has joined as Planning Manager, overseeing residential planning applications and working with Regional Director Katherine Titley and Richborough's central Planning Delivery team.

The business is also investing in the next generation of land and planning professionals, with Nottingham Trent University student Jack Gallagher joining the Central team for his industry placement year. Based in Birmingham, he will gain experience across Richborough's strategic land portfolio alongside his studies.

These appointments strengthen Richborough's in-house expertise across land, planning and technical disciplines, supporting the business.

For further information, please contact Karuna Bhatia: **karuna.bhatia@richborough.co.uk**

# Richborough Commercial Expands Into South East With Major Industrial And Logistics Opportunity

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## PROMOTION AGREEMENT SIGNED




Richborough COMMERCIAL

**Richborough Commercial has signed a promotion agreement for a 48-acre industrial and logistics opportunity west of Canvey Way/A130 in Basildon, marking its first project in Essex and supporting its expansion into the South East.**

The site has potential to deliver up to 620,000 sq ft of industrial and logistics space, responding to demand for modern, larger units across Basildon and South Essex. The proposed development could accommodate occupiers ranging from logistics and distribution businesses to advanced manufacturing and high-technology companies.

Economic analysis indicates the scheme could support 1,300 direct construction jobs, with a further 440 indirect and induced jobs. Once operational, it could support around 800 net jobs, generate approximately £121 million in annual Gross Value Added and contribute an estimated £2.9 million a year in business rates.

The development could also create accessible employment opportunities for communities across Basildon and Castle Point, with apprenticeships and training helping local people develop skills and access higher-value employment.

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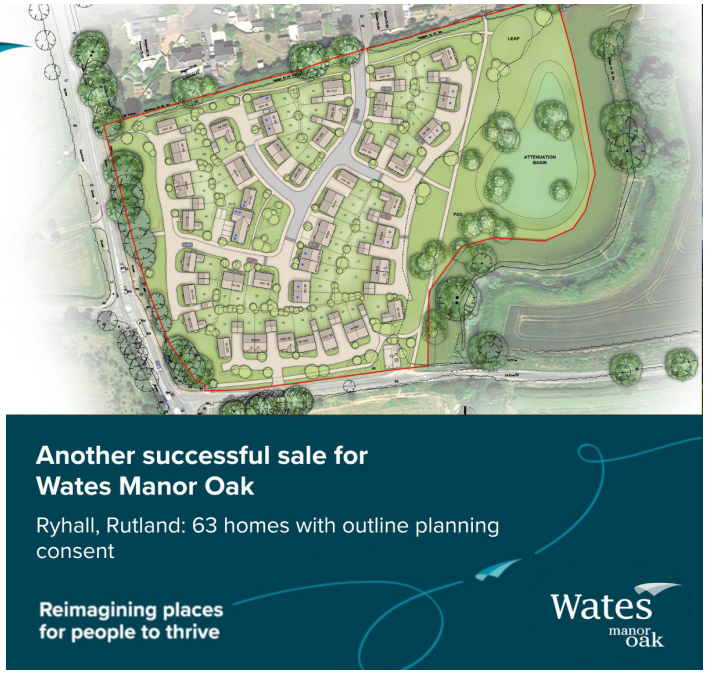
# Sale Of Site For 63 Homes Completed In Rutland

Wates Land & Developments

**Wates Manor Oak has completed the sale of land in Ryhall, Rutland, to Emerald Homes.**

The 7.76-acre site was sold with outline planning consent for 63 new homes and recreational space.

The completion is another positive step for Wates Manor Oak since Wates Land & Development acquired Manor Oak Homes in June, strengthening our land promotion expertise and presence in the Midlands.



# Team Challenge Raises Over £2.5k For Kangaroos Sussex

**Earlier this month, our team took on the Surrey Three Peak Challenge in aid of Kangaroos Sussex, a charity supporting people with learning disabilities and additional needs across Mid Sussex.**

With over £2,500 now raised, a huge thank you to everyone who has donated. All money raised will go directly towards the activities, care and community that make Kangaroos so special, and will make a real difference to the people it supports.

Our team climbed three iconic peaks, including Leith Hill, (the highest point in Surrey), walking for over seven and a half hours and covering 25 km.

Our partnership with Kangaroos is also supporting the charities ambition to create its first dedicated hub in Bolney, providing a permanent based from which the charity can support even more families Sussex.



# New Appointment Strengthens Western Portfolio Region



**Wates Developments is delighted to welcome Becky McGillveray as Assistant Land & Planning Manager, based in Bristol and working across our Western Portfolio Region.**

Becky joins us with valuable experience across land management, planning and housing delivery, having previously worked with Vistry, Abri, Oxford City Council and Stonewater. Her background spans strategic land promotion, planning applications, stakeholder management and affordable housing delivery, a skill set that will strengthen our work as we continue to grow our presence in the West.

On joining, Becky said: *"I'm really grateful to have joined the team, and I'm looking forward to contributing to our strategic placemaking vision. The strength of Wates' abilities to cover a variety of sectors both in the built and natural environments makes it an unusual and exciting place to be".*

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## New NPPF – Shorter plan periods could help increase housing delivery



# Gladman - Thoughts On NPPF

**The dust has finally settled following last month's NPPF announcement and the team at Gladman have had a chance to reflect.**

Given their extensive experience, we asked the team to highlight a change in the new NPPF which could boost housing delivery through emerging plans.

Read our thoughts here: **https://www.gladman.co.uk/gladman-thoughts-following-new-nppf/**

# Update To Website Photography

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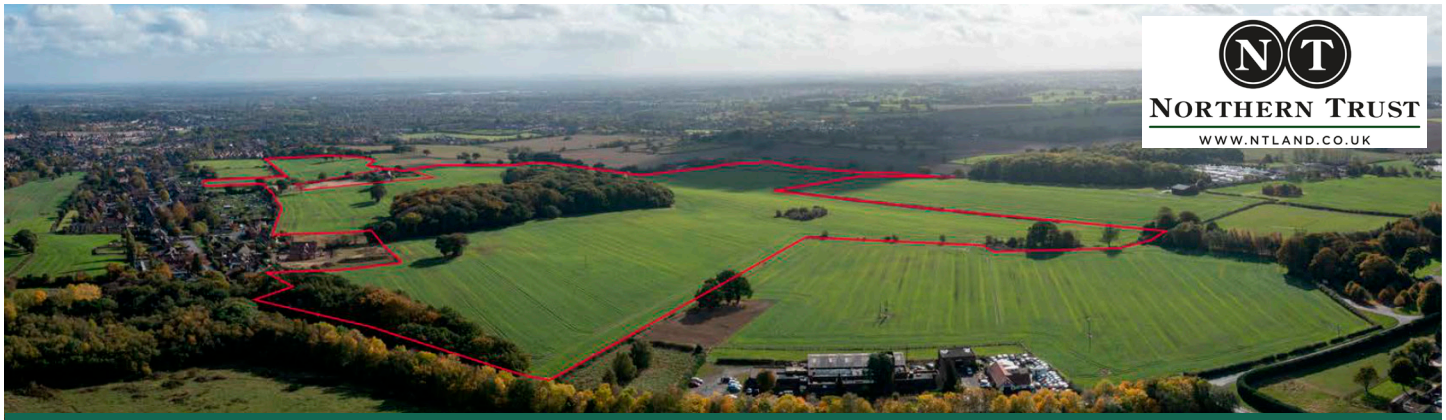
**Behind the Scenes - Taking our website beyond the office walls.**

This week we have been able to work with Beth at BE IMAGERY again, taking photos for our website and updating headshots. It was great to get out and start to add a bit of greenery to our new website.

As well as also updating our team photography, we spent time out and about across the local area capturing images that reflect the places, landscapes and communities connected to our work. From scenic viewpoints to candid moments with colleagues, the shoot was all about bringing our website to life with more authentic imagery.

Here's a little behind-the-scenes glimpse of the day.
**#BehindTheScenes #TeamCulture #CompanyLife #ProfessionalPhotography #Teamwork #MeetTheTeam #WebsiteRefresh #PeopleFirst**





# Northern Trust Land Acquires 130-Acre Strategic Residential Site In Nuneation

**Northern Trust Land Ltd is pleased to announce the acquisition of Bretts Hall Farm, Ansley Common, Nuneaton, a strategically located landholding extending to 130.01 acres, with the potential to deliver over 300 new homes across the site, subject to the ongoing planning and master planning process.**

Part of the site falls within Allocation H10 for residential development in the North Warwickshire Local Plan, with the landholding situated across both the North Warwickshire and Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council administrative areas.

The acquisition further strengthens Northern Trust Land's growing portfolio of strategic residential development sites across the UK and reflects the company's continued commitment to bringing forward sustainable developments in key growth locations.

Commenting on the acquisition, **David Jones, Senior Land Manager at Northern Trust Land Ltd** said: *"We are delighted to have secured the acquisition of Bretts Hall Farm, which represents an excellent strategic opportunity in a highly sustainable location. The site benefits from an allocation within the adopted Local Plan and has the potential to deliver a high-quality residential scheme that will contribute towards meeting local housing needs across both North Warwickshire and Nuneaton and Bedworth. We look forward to working collaboratively with the local authorities, stakeholders and the wider project team as proposals for the site progress."*

Land agents for the transaction were **Merlin Land Planning and Development Ltd. Graham Jones, Director of Merlin Land** added: *"We are pleased to have worked alongside Northern Trust Land on this transaction and appreciate the commitment and focus to secure this opportunity. We look forward to seeing the site progress through the next stages of the development process. Bretts Hall Farm represents a significant residential opportunity in a well-connected and established location."* The joint selling agents were Savills and Sworders.

**Northern Trust Land Ltd** was advised by **Addleshaw Goddard**, while **HCR Law** acted on behalf of the seller.

For further details on Northern Trust Land please visit the website at **www.ntland.co.uk** or contact the team on **01257 238555**.