

19 Barrowden Road

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for the superb work undertaken by the Steering Group in preparing the draft Ketton and Tinwell Neighbourhood Plan. Our comments below relate to the proposals for Ketton; in particular Geeston Quarry on Barrowden Road.

We are significantly concerned that any new housing will put stress on both the built infrastructure as well as the natural environment. The extent and quality of the natural environment in Ketton is well recognised in the draft plan. The proposed environmental corridors are comprehensively defined and in particular the Chater Wildlife Corridor. This being of great sensitivity as it bisects the village being southern edge of the main part of the village and the northern boundary of both Aldgate and Geeston.

That is corridor should be recognised by the proposed Local Green Spaces and enhanced by those areas defined as 'Other Important Open Spaces' is absolutely essential in maintaining and hopefully enhancing the natural environment in Ketton in this period of very significant change to the built environment.

Comments by the Parsons, local land owners of Geeston Quarry we believe are factually incorrect. There is no local support, as far as we can detect (through discussions with the residents of Barrowden Road and other friends in the village) for developing Geeston Quarry for housing and to state such by developers is clearly inaccurate. We need to preserve these wildlife corridors for future generations and Geeston Quarry on Barrowden Road is one of these. We strongly support the draft KNP that Geeston Quarry is proposed as a candidate LWS and a LGS and hope that it will be adopted as such.

Yours sincerely,

Caroline and Justin Hattee