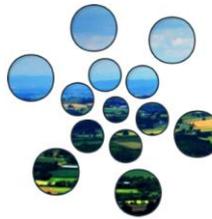


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On 1st March, the Rural Services Network launched a campaign calling on the Government to develop a Rural Strategy.

We are asking members to support this call by signing a petition [here](#)

Additional Information:

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Welcome to the latest [Spotlight on Transport](#) - brought to you by the Rural Services Network and the Rural England CIC in association with Calor.

The vulnerability service aims to disseminate information about three key rural issues: fuel poverty, broadband and rural transport.

Rural transport faces many threats - ranging from fuel costs through to the lack of public and community transport in many areas. Download the Spotlight [here](#)



In [Hinterland](#) this week:

Special needs funding for young people and the pressure it puts on local government, a lack of electrical charging points, a groundbreaking report about the perils of ageing, unintended consequences of the badger cull, the rural carers missing out on millions and finally – a dog poo box which has “gone walkies”! [Read on...](#)

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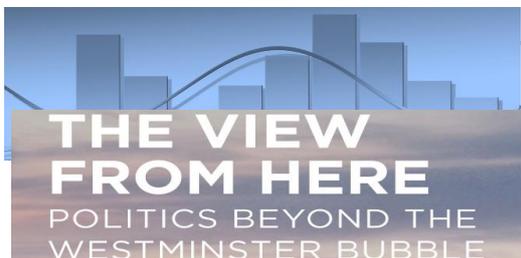
LATEST RESEARCH & COMMENTARY



[middle” or \(re\)describing a process?](#)

A 'theory of change' involves people coming together to think about the difference that they want to make (and with whom), the context within which they work and what activities they need to undertake to lead to this positive change. But does a theory of change have a transformative effect on community projects or is it retrospective in leading us to reflect on what we're already doing? Jessica Sellick investigates.

- Read the full article [here](#)



[The Brexit vote in rural communities](#)

There's a **new podcast available from Carole Walker.**

This episode, is titled '*The Brexit vote in rural communities*' and features **First**  eman, MP for Mid-Norfolk and a former minister, who details why so many people in rural communities voted for Brexit and are in despair at the endless bickering over the decision to leave the EU

[Access the podcast here](#)



The **latest** edition of the **Funding Digest** can be viewed [here](#)

Looking for funding for your local project or community group? This monthly bulletin includes links to various sources of grant funding that you may be able to access!



Read the **latest RSN suggested draft responses** for key rural consultations and view the latest Government Consultations that may be relevant to rural communities [here](#)



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