



RUTLAND ON TOUR | MULTUM IN PARVO

Wednesday 18 November 2026 | 10.00am–12.30pm | Whitehall, London

What is Rutland on Tour?

On 18 November, we are taking a little bit of Rutland to the heart of London.

Rutland on Tour will be a positive celebration of England's smallest county: its people, places, businesses, heritage, communities and talent.

For two and a half hours, the Discover Rutland exhibition unit and a small performance stage will create a showcase for the county in Whitehall, bringing together performers, community organisations and businesses from across Rutland.

The aim is simple: **to raise the profile of Rutland nationally and show what makes our county distinctive and worth celebrating.**

Why now?

The future structure of local government across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland is currently under Government review.

Whatever administrative arrangements ultimately emerge, Rutland has a distinctive identity, history and sense of place which extend far beyond the structure of local government.

Rutland on Tour is an opportunity to tell that story positively, by taking the county to London and allowing its people, communities and organisations to speak for themselves.

This is intended to be a **positive, inclusive and non-party-political celebration of Rutland.**

The Rutland Variety Performance

At the heart of the event will be a rolling **Rutland Variety Performance**, hosted by **Rob Persani of Rutland & Stamford Sound**.

Across the morning, the stage will feature a lively programme of music, performance and short contributions showcasing the breadth of life and talent within the county.

Alongside the stage, the **Discover Rutland exhibition unit** which has been travelling the length and breadth of the country this year at county shows, will promote Rutland as a place to visit, live, work and do business. Its screen will show a selection of films and promotional material celebrating the county.

The ambition is to create something unmistakably Rutland: warm, engaging, varied, slightly unexpected and great fun - a snapshot of our county transported to the centre of London.

Getting involved

We are currently putting together the programme and inviting **performers, community groups, organisations and businesses** to be part of the day.

There will also be opportunities for **sponsors and supporters** to help make Rutland on Tour possible and to associate their organisation with a high-profile celebration of the county.

The detailed running order and final logistical information will follow once arrangements with the Metropolitan Police and other relevant authorities have been confirmed.

Our aim is to have the main programme agreed by **early October**, giving everyone involved plenty of time to prepare for 18 November.

One county. One morning. Right at the heart of London.

Rutland on Tour.