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#### **Stephen George + Partners leads Leicester's city centre regeneration Local architects plan transformation of Great Central Station and site of former Stibbe factory into hotels, offices and new public space**

Leicester's Connecting Spaces regeneration project has received a big boost with the unveiling of a new plan to transform Great Central Station and the site of the former Stibbe factory.

Local architectural practice Stephen George + Partners has submitted a detailed planning application involving new hotels, offices and a new public space, together with a refurbishment of Leicester's Great Central Station.

The former Stibbe site will be redeveloped a new 43,000 sqft office block designed by Stephen George + Partners together with a 152-bed Novotel hotel and 100 bed Adagio "[aparthotel](#)". The architects have also unveiled plans to refurbish the station including its glass canopy and front façade. At the heart of the proposal is a new traffic-free public space, which will include part of Great Central Street so that the refurbished station becomes integral to the development.

The Masterplan also involves creating a new pedestrian "super-crossing" of Vaughan Way, linking the development directly to the city centre.

*"Leicester city centre is undergoing widespread transformation, with regeneration projects in the cultural, business and waterside quarters,"* said John Morfey, Partner at Stephen George + Partners. *"The station and Stibbe sites represent an important part of the jigsaw: having lain neglected for so long, the Masterplan which we have designed with Charles Street Buildings breathes new life into the area with new buildings and a public space which will add to Leicester's developing sequence of squares.*

*The development of this site, with the pedestrian "super-crossing" of Vaughan Way and the continuation of this route to the Great Central Station, provides a key link between the city centre and the Waterside Regeneration Area."*

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practices, employing over 80 staff across offices in London, Leicester, Leeds, Birmingham and Solihull. Success in the UK has led to opportunities overseas, resulting in the establishment of Stephen George International in 2009 and the International Logistics Design Group in 2014. In 2016 Stephen George + Partners turned over £6 million.

With its strategic geographical locations and talented architectural design teams, the practice specialises in masterplanning and the residential, industrial, logistics, office, education and retail sectors. Committed to the highest standards of service quality, professionalism and architecture, Stephen George + Partners has designed and delivered a portfolio that is rich in both complexity and scale. Working in partnership, its strong client base is evidence of its ability to respond rapidly to stakeholder requirements, resolve complex site issues and produce innovative designs.

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