

Gypsy and Travellers Site Options Response to Site GT02

Land abutting the Fosse Way at its junction with the A425

For Official Use Only

Ref:

Rep. Ref.

10108

Title **MRS**

First name/initials **NICOLA**

Surname **LESTER**

Address

Postcode

Telephone

Criteria by which Gypsy and Traveller's sites will be judged for suitability and sustainability by Warwick District Council:

- Convenient access to a GP surgery, school and public transport;
- Avoiding areas with a high risk of flooding;
- Safe access to the road network and provision for parking, turning and servicing on site;
- Provision of utilities (running water, toilet facilities waste disposal etc);
- Avoiding areas where there could be an adverse impact on important features of the natural and historic environment; and,
- Sites which can be integrated into the landscape without harming the character of the area.
- Promotes peaceful and integrated co-existence between the site and the local community;
- Avoids placing undue pressure on local infrastructure and services;
- Reflects the extent to which traditional lifestyles (whereby some travellers live and work from the same location thereby omitting many travel to work journeys) can contribute to sustainability.

IT IS IMPORTANT to comment/object adhering to the above criteria and the council provided form follows that process. It is implied that you should use the WDC form or the response form available online. YOU ARE HOWEVER STILL PERMITTED to respond by writing to the Council's Development Policy Manager or you could choose to use this site specific form prepared for GT 02

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OBJECT

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Please set out full details of your objection or representation of support with reference to the criteria as outlined by the council.

- This is an isolated site in a rural location with no convenient access to doctors, schools or shops. Whilst there is a bus stop, this is on a verge with no safe access, place to wait or cross the road.
- The Fosse way and A425 are already busy, dangerous roads, with traffic calming measures in place. It is not safe to walk or cycle to or from the site and the increase in traffic would only make these roads more dangerous.
- There is no mains sewerage in this area.
- This site is located alongside the Fosse way - a Roman road. Development on this site could risk destroying important historical artefacts and features. This site is also located in a valley and would be highly visible from all directions. Development here of any kind would fundamentally change the characteristics of this rural area.

Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary

Warwick District Council will judge proposed sites against the nationally accepted criteria. The purpose of the criteria is to seek to meet the requirements of the Gypsy and Travellers community not necessarily local residents, businesses and employment.

Areas of concern could include:

• Agriculture • Animal Welfare • Co-existence • ~~Ecology~~ Ecology and Habitat • Education/Schools • Healthcare/Surgeries • Highways and Safety • Local Economy • Rural Landscape • Services and Utilities • Tourism • Traffic Density/Flow • Urbanisation.

OBJECT



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to the proposals on the following grounds -

- This is an isolated, rural community without the infrastructure to sustain an increase in the number of people living here in terms of services and integration in to the community.
- This site would put at risk the warwickshire Exhibition Centre, which is a successful business that brings employment and visitors to the region. This business brings a significant contribution to the economy which should not be underestimated or jeopardised.
- I do not believe that a housing development on this site would be approved on the grounds of services, facilities, connectivity, etc. and this should not be treated differently.

Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary

Do you have any other suggestions for land within Warwick District that you think would be suitable for use as a Gypsy and Traveller site, bearing in mind the criteria for site identification?. If so, please give the location and the landowners details below:

I think there is a caravan park on the Banbury Rd from Warwick to the M40 roundabout which has been developed and is unused. would this not be suitable?

Guidance on Making Representations

- You may withdraw your objection at any time by writing to Warwick District Council, address below. It is important that you include your name and address as anonymous forms cannot be accepted. If your address details change, please inform WDC in writing.
- All forms should be received by **5.15 p.m. on Monday, 29 July 2013**
- Copies of all the objections and supporting representations will be made available for others to see at the council's offices at Riverside House and online via the council's e-consultation system. Please note that all comments are in the public domain and the Council cannot accept confidential objections. The information will be held on a database and used to assist with the preparation of the new plan for Gypsy and Traveller sites and with consideration of planning applications in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998.

To return this form please drop off at either Riverside House, Leamington Town Hall or your local library or post to **Development Policy Manager, Development Services, Warwick District Council, Riverside House, Milverton Hill, Leamington Spa CV32 5QH** or email to: newlocalplan@warwickdc.gov.uk