

Gypsy and Travellers Site Options Response to Site GT02

Land abutting the Fosse Way at its junction with the A425

For Official Use Only

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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

OBJECT

~~SUPPORT~~

(Please delete as required.)

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

I object as follows:

The main access onto the proposed site is from the Fosse way (B4455). It is a high Risk travel Route with a speed limit of 60mph and has had more than 12 serious accidents in the last 3 years. It is only 50m from junction of A425 and B4455.

The proposed site is on a main bus route, however the bus stop adjacent to the site is situated on an unlit overgrown grass verge. The road into the nearest village Rodsrod Semele and town Southton is unlit and does not have a cycle lane or pavement making car usage essential. The proposed site is next to a major Roman Road and the site appears on the Archaeological Register with ancient pottery recently found.

The site is also adjacent to protected woodland, within the woodland are a number of protected species such as Pipistrelle bats and great crested newts.

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 • ~~Crime~~ • Ecology and Habitat • Education/Schools • Healthcare/Surgeries • Highways and Safety • Local Economy • Rural Landscape • Services and Utilities • Tourism • Traffic Density/Flow • Urbanisation.

I OBJECT

I APPROVE

(Please delete as required.)

to the proposals on the following grounds -

There are a number of doctor's surgeries and schools within a five mile Radius however the proposed building of 150 houses in Redgoed Semble and the 200 new build homes already approved in Sydenham will place undue pressure on the already limited availability of places available. The proposed site of will only add to the pressures of the local infrastructure and services.

The proposed site is large and at the bottom of a valley in a predominantly rural landscape it could not be integrated into the landscape without harming the character of the area it will have a significant impact across the valley gateway to Leamington Spa and Warwick.

The proposed site is currently the home of the Warwickshire exhibition centre. Should the site go ahead this will result in the closure of this facility with a potential substantial loss to the local economy and the loss of sixty jobs.

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:

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