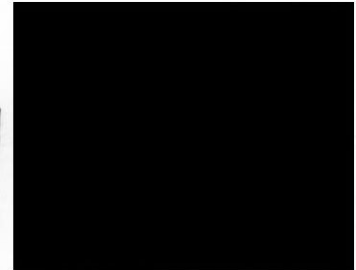


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Dear Mr Barber,

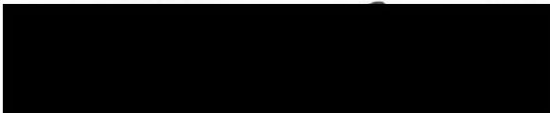
LOCAL PLAN - Sites for Gypsies and Travellers, Site GT08

With regard to the Councils identification of potential sites for Gypsies and Travellers I would like to draw your attention to site GT08 (Depot west side of Cubbington Heath Farm) which I consider completely unsuitable for the following reasons:

1. Access onto the A445 from the site is dangerous due to the bend in the road and hidden dip on the north side of the entrance.
2. The site currently contains an active badger set.
3. There are no mains water or electricity services on site.
4. There is no mains sewage locally. Local houses are on septic tanks and cess pits.
5. The site was originally a sandstone quarry with the stone for the use of the local community. I understand that it was filled and reinstated in the 1950's or early 60's. It is very unlikely that the fill was household waste because of potential contamination of the groundwater. At the time there was an active bore hole in a nearby field. More likely the fill was builders rubble/waste possibly from bomb damage or redevelopment in Coventry and consequently there is a high probability that asbestos, from roofing and guttering etc, could occur.
6. Asbestos, if present but undisturbed, is not a health hazard but the need to install services (water electricity and sewage) would require excavation of parts of the site and this would disturb anything hazardous. Careful inspection would be required to assess safety and safe disposal.

I hope that the Council will take my comments into consideration when making its decision.

Yours sincerely



Graham Beard