

# Gypsy and Travellers Site Options Response to Site GT02

Land abutting the Fosse Way at its junction with the A425

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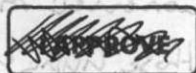
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## Criteria Dist

- 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



(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.

There are many reasons that this should be rejected  
It would be impossible to intergrate and screen this site from view on three sides, as it sits at the bottom of a small valley. The area is beautiful, and this would utterly spoil the landscape. Development of any kind would be a blight, at the GT02 site. This site also has significant historical importance. The Fosse Way at this point is one of the only remaining portions of the route that runs along its original path.  
The site does not encourage walking/cycling. It would be more or less impossible to walk safely from the site to either Redford or Upton. There is no footpath in either direction. This also highlights the fact that the children on the site would be in danger due to the high volume of traffic. This is clearly a high risk route. This is indicated in the report from the UCC Highways Department, that has been submitted. The safety of individuals at the site (especially children) is vitally important. There is a bus stop but it is located within the grass verge and is on the opposite side of the road to the proposed site  
There are a total lacking utilities at the site and to bring them from Redford or Upton would be costly. Does this make sense?

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**

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to the proposals on the following grounds -

One of the most important factors to consider is the affect that this site will have on several local businesses. The Warwickshire Exhibition Centre brings in upwards of £2,000,000 into the local economy annually. The economy is in a perilous state. You only need to look at the local high street for this to become evident. We must not jeopardise any local businesses. The knock on affects locally, would be disastrous. The Exhibition Centre also employs up to 40 people. What would happen to these people if the business were to close? We need to consider their welfare also.

It has also been pointed out to the council that the proposed site is very close to several important wildlife habitats. The welfare of local wildlife is as important as that of the human inhabitants. Please bear this in mind.

The proposed site is at the government's recommended maximum size. The residents of the site could overwhelm those living close by. This is not a harmonious intergration into the local community. 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:

The report commissioned by UCC and completed by Enfusion is highly inaccurate and there are many flaws relating to GTO2. Several councillors commented on this when they attended the meeting held at the Warwickshire Exhibition centre some weeks ago.

## 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](mailto:newlocalplan@warwickdc.gov.uk)