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For the attention of Mr Dave Barber, Development Policy Manager.

Sites for Gypsies and Travellers-Preferred Options

Dear Mr Barber,

Thank you for your letter of the 17 th March 2014.

I need your help please as I cannot understand how you in the elevated position of Manager with qualifications, experience and professionalism and that of your staff, can even contemplate and propose the site adjacent to the Fosse Way at Radford Semele on prime agricultural land in a beautiful part of the country as a preferred option for the establishment of a site for Gypsies and Travellers is totally beyond belief and reasonable logic that it could even be considered.

This would become a totally irreversible blot on the landscape.

I have made my objections very clear with communication in the past in respect of access, provision of pavements, hard standings for bus stops and safety aspects and the total absence of adequate infrastructure at this location.

It is probably not your department but I would like answers to the following questions please where ever this may be located.

- 1- Who is paying for the land?
- 2- Who is paying for the establishment of services, water gas, electricity and sewage disposal?
- 3- How will council tax and rents be established and collected?
- 4- How will the cost of electricity and gas be collected?
- 5- Who will be paying for the establishment of infrastructures and disposal of wastes?

If it is Warwick Councils funding these measures which I suspect then I will object to the misappropriation of my Council taxes and my answer is NO,NO,NO on that basis alone.

As established and in the public domain, these sites are always a cause of concern all over the country and which have been well identified and reported in the media. Irrespective of the 2012 National Planning Policy, democracy is that if the majority of people do not want these establishments then they do not happen and this is most definitely the case.

The preferred sites (who's preference?) are mainly in more rural areas which will take up precious green fields which is not acceptable when there are many sites within the Warwick and Leamington town boundaries.



