

The Development Policy Manag Development Services Warwick District Council Riverside House Milverton Road Royal Leamington Spa CV32 5QH

Dear Sir? Madame

Re: Objection to GT19 in response to the consultation document "Warwick District Council March 2014, Sites for Gypsies and Traveller, Preferred Options for sites".

I write to you to formally submit my objection to the proposed Gypsy and Traveller site on the land situated on Oaklands Farm GT19.

My reasons for this are detailed below:

- This site is an infringement of the Green Belt
- Local residents and general public were not given reasons why this piece of land was recommended.
- The size of the proposed GT19 site is grossly incorrect. It is stated to be 0.3 of a hectare
 whereas it is actually only 0.25 of an acre. There is a significant difference in size, which in
 reality means a very much smaller number of pitches can be accommodated than have been
 planned for.
- It is stated in the consultation document that access to GT19 is from the A4177, when this is completely incorrect. It's only access in onto Ugly Bridge. Furthermore creation of an access onto the A4177 is not possible because of the Highway regulations.
- This site will have a detrimental effect on both traffic flow, and safely on the A4177
- The proposed site has been incorrectly designated as redeveloped land.
- The WDC should not make compulsory purchase of GT19 because it is contrary to Central Government wishes, and especially because it would be an extravagant misuse of taxpayers' money. Especially in the current time of economic constraints.
- Oaklands Farm is a current business and as such it is totally immoral for such a proposal to be granted when the owners currently live on the land and run a business from there.
 Effectively such a proposal by the WDC will effectively sterilise the land and the future of Oaklands Farm.
- This proposed site would indeed have a serious impact on the visual look of the road. With Warwick and Warwick Castle being a major tourist attraction in this area.
- Residents have witnessed over the last few weeks the devastation that has been left behind from the Travellers, and there would have to be regular management checks in place to maintain health and safety issues, and this is not fully detailed in the document.
- There are plenty of Brown field sites in and around the Warwick District that could be developed for the purpose of Gypsy and traveller sites as opposed to green Belt land.

- This site is located to a very limited bus service. The local schools are full despite having just taken on new intakes and built additional classrooms.
- Utilities such as waste disposal, water will have to be provided and this will be an additional cost to the Council.

It cannot be ignored that there are a number of mistakes associated within this consultation document, which were raised at the recent road shows, and therefore WDC must be called into question as they are so significant to GT19, that this site should have never been put forward as a preferred site in the final consultation.

