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Dear Sir/Madam

With regard to the Consultation on Gypsy and Traveller sites I would like to make the following comments on the proposed sites within the Bishop's Tachbrook boundary:-

- Site GT03** Land at Barnwell Farm, Harbury Lane -not very close to major requirements
- Site GT04** Land at Harbury Lane, Fosse Way - not very close to major requirements
- Site GT05** Land at Tachbrook Hill Farm, Banbury Road - very busy road without pedestrian requirements. Listed buildings on this site should be protected not exposed to inevitable damage from any type of development.
- Site GT06** Land at Park Farm, Spinney Farm - not very close to major requirements and without pedestrian requirements
- Site GT09** Land to the NE of M40 and south of Oakley Wood Road - not very close to major requirements and without pedestrian requirements. Listed buildings on this site should be protected not exposed to inevitable damage from any type of development.
- Site GT10** Land adj to Guide Dog for the Blind National Breeding Centre - totally inappropriate for this type of development.
- Site GT15** Land to the east of Europa Way - Possibility of contamination of the tachbrook if the site used as a workplace.

It is very noticeable that the parish of Bishop's Tachbrook has the majority of the possible sites which suggests a high possibility of a decision to build one being in the parish. This is grossly unfair! The proposed sites are not suitable as they are away from major services, often on busy roads with potential danger for pedestrians. The school is a small single for, entry primary at capacity.

Should one of the sites appear suitable it would be advisable to have meetings with local residents and representatives of Gypsy/Travellers who might occupy the site to discuss concerns on both sides. Several years ago we did have a Gypsy family living on the outskirts of the village. They were regarded as part of the community and they behaved as part of the community. A site with 5 pitches, or even worse 15 pitches is a very different proposal and gives rise to natural concerns among residents.

A very small site might be accepted but only if very carefully handled and positioned to meet all the criteria in the Sites for Gypsy and Travellers Consultation Document which those proposed do not.

Yours faithfully


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