

Gypsy and Travellers Site Options Response to Site GT02

Land abutting the Fosse Way at its junction with the A425

For Official Use Only

Ref: 10832

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Criteria by which Gypsy and Traveller's sites will be judged for suitability and sustainability by Warwick District Council:

- 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

~~**I APPROVE**~~

(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.

Local economy - closure of Warwickshire Exhibit Centre will have high impact on whole of local area. To my knowledge it has given ^{full-time} employment to eight people from Redford Senele alone. It also employ local builders, gardeners a handy men, lighting a heating engineers. Plus all the casual staff needed at exhibit time. Exhibitors use local B&B a hotel accommodation, local shops and local pubs a restaurants. The exhibit visitors estimated at 33,000+ per year use transport, shops, restaurants, petrol stations etc. Many small local businesses use the exhibition as a 'shop window'. Local enthusiasts clubs attend as participants, exhibitors and writers. The acres a their employees have worked had over the last 20 years and established a unique venue which can cater to a variety of specialist & enthusiast exhibits. It would be a scandal to cause the business to close and would ~~cause~~ ^{great} deprive the local economy of ~~an~~ ^{invaluable} visitors a customers who ~~would~~ ^{do} not otherwise spend their money here.

For travellers living on site would be exposed to high levels of pollut from Fosse way traffic. ~~Great~~ noise from traffic. Unsafe to go off site if not in vehicle. Pets a children could easily stray onto road. Danger to people slowing down to turn onto site or exiting site into fast Fosseway traffic.

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

I APPROVE

(Please delete as required.)

to the proposals on the following grounds -

Healthcare - the nearest surgery, Sydenham is 2½ miles away and already stretched due to increasing development of housing at Sydenham.

Education - the nearest ^{primary} school, Radford Semele is over subscribed and taking away village children.

Highways & Safety - there are no footpaths, cycle lanes on A425 or Fosse Way. Both are too dangerous for pedestrians & cyclists. No convenient public transport. Nearest bus stop 200yds away. No bus layby & no waiting area. Fosseway already signed as accident blackspot.

Services & utilities - whole area is valley & prone to flooding. No mains drainage. Local properties use cess pits. No mains gas. No street lighting. Broadband promise in area slow & prone to disruption. Telephone service often faulty especially during bad weather.

Provision of large areas of hard standing will make area even more prone to flooding.

Visual amenity - proposed site low lying and will be visible from all round and not hedging along roadside will not be sufficient to disguise it.

Safety - introduction of slow moving turning traffic here is a danger to the fast moving through traffic on the Fosse Way.

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:

Archaeology / Tourism - once urbanised it will be impossible to excavate site, so our history will be lost forever. The character of adjacent ancient woodland will be changed by the urbanisation and wildlife put at risk by introduction of pets & other livestock.

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