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Dear Sir,

## GYPSY AND TRAVELLERS SITE OPTIONS SITE GT02

We wish to further object to the proposed site GT02 located on the Fosse Way at its junction with the A425.

When assessing the criteria by which this possible site will be judged it is clear that in many respects it fails to meet said criteria and the consultant Enfusion's report is lacking in detail and inaccurate in several respects consequently it does not form a good basis for judgement.

As a business located adjacent to the proposed site it clearly gives us cause for concern, This area is relatively sparsely populated and we are one of just four business at the location. Our neighbours Blackdown Growers will have concerns over issues of security as will we with such a large influx of residents so close. It may well be that we are unaffected but as is the case in any instance of large increase in population there is very likely to be a commensurate increase in security problems. This is particularly true for our associated companies and they will be covering their concerns separately.

For ourselves we have to be aware that this is unlikely to remain the relative secure and settled environment that we have enjoyed for over 20 years. As previously stated with such as large influx of people and one containing a high density of children and young adults we are likely to experience problems never before encountered and as a small company we are not in a position to increase staff levels to safeguard our premises and ensure safety for our staff. If, as anticipated, we have numerous intrusions and are unable to control the situation we are financially unable also to employ security personnel 24/7 to safeguard our staff and their vehicles. We can expect that some will move to alternative employment and as a company we will lose the all-important knowledge base needed to operate. It will become impossible to continue our warehouse operations and to leave equipment out between processes as at present lest third-parties attempt to use them and this will cause operational difficulties.

There is limited infrastructure and services in this location with no mains sewers or gas. The electricity supply is recognised as a rural supply serving a very small number of businesses and households. Clearly the demands that the site will make on these services particularly the electricity will mean that supplies will be insufficient or intermittent thus causing further difficulties.

This would be against the criteria which specifically notes the need to avoid undue pressure on infrastructure and services.

Whilst we may be able to continue trading at this location it is certain that our overheads would unavoidably rise and this will not assist our company's viability and thus we may be forced to cut staff. We trust that this will be taken fully into consideration when making the judgement on this proposed site.

Yours faithfully,

