

W.D.C. PLANNING DEPT.

Dear Sirs,

RE Proposed Gypsy Site Stratford Rd.

I have lived on the Lodgewood Estate for the last 15 years in one of the nicest areas of Warwick. I was therefore dismayed and angry to learn recently, that, out of the blue, the above area is being considered as a potential gypsy site.

This site was not on the original list of possibilities but has now appeared at the 11th hour. I wonder why this is.

A gypsy site on the Stratford Rd will have a detrimental effect on the

whole area with businesses reluctant to invest and visitors getting a bad impression as they enter Warwick from the Longbridge island.

I have spoken to many residents, many of whom are elderly and they feel intimidated by the proximity of gypsies and are fearful of the increased probability of crime in the area, especially as there are no CCTV cameras in the area or street lighting after midnight. Property prices will also suffer.

Surely the Harbury Lane site is the best for everyone, allowing Leamington F.C. to move closer to

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the town centre in a better stadium more suited to their needs as a well-run successful football club with ambition. This may not be the cheapest option but in the long term everybody wins.

I trust common sense will prevail and prevent the public losing faith with W.D.C., especially at voting time.

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