

15 AUG 2013

Appendix 1

I am writing to register the strongest possible objection to the above planning application because the land is not fit for human habitation. In addition there are no pedestrianised areas connecting this site to the essential services that a gypsy/traveller family would need.

This site is at significant risk from flooding and the submitted plan even recognises this. Between November 2012 and April 2013 the significant flooding on this site would have been a danger to health and life. Every winter this site serves as a flood plain. Not only will this plan be a significant risk to the family living on the site it will also increase the risk for existing residents. Without a doubt the proposed plan would significantly weaken the effectiveness of drains running adjacent to the land and place adjacent properties at risk of damage.

It is also significant that this site is proposed upon agricultural land in the countryside. The only development allowed on such land should benefit agriculture. In addition this site is in the open countryside and this development would significantly alter the character of the landscape.

No consultation with local residents has taken place. National guidance suggests that in order for gypsy/traveller sites to gain support from the local community widespread consultation should take place. The failure to do this has meant that local residents have not been given the chance to have their concerns heard by the applicant.

To conclude this land should be retained for pasture as it is not suitable for habitation.

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