
Traveller Local Plan - Initial Consultation

Overview

Winchester City Council has started preparing a Traveller Local Plan to identify sites for both gypsies and travellers and travelling showpeople across the Winchester District.

Our survey work shows there is a need for 15 gypsy and traveller pitches and 24 plots for travelling showpersons between 2016 and 2031.

The Council is keen to understand what options are available to meet the above identified need particularly for travelling showpersons plots and to get a view as to what makes a good pitch/plot from a traveller's point of view.

Please let us have any comments by **midday 8 May 2017** and include your email or contact details if you wish to be consulted on the draft plan when this is published in June.

Gypsy and Travellers - Persons of nomadic habit of life whatever their race or origin, including such persons who on grounds only of their own or their family's or dependents' educational or health needs or old age have ceased to travel temporarily, but excluding members of an organised group of travelling showpeople or circus people travelling together as such.

Travelling Showpeople - Members of a group organised for the purposes of holding fairs, circuses or shows (whether or not travelling together as such). This includes such persons who on the grounds of their own or their family's or dependants' more localised pattern of trading, educational or health needs or old age have ceased to travel temporarily, but excludes Gypsies and Travellers as defined above.

Introduction

1 Consent Question "Representations cannot be treated in confidence. The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, requires copies of all representations to be made publically available. The Council will also publish names and associated representations on its website but will not publish personal information such as telephone numbers, or email addresses. By submitting a representation on the gypsies, travellers and travelling showpersons plan you confirm that you agree to this and accept responsibility for your comments." In order to complete this survey you must tick agree below.

(Required)

Please select only one item

Agree Do not agree

2 What is your email address?

If you enter your email address then you will automatically receive an acknowledgement email when you submit your response.

Email (Required)

3 If you are responding on behalf of an organisation please provide details below.

Organisation

4 What is your name?

Name (Required)

Pitch and Plot requirements

Pitch and Plot Definitions ([click here](#))

Gypsy and traveller pitch = residential pitch for a gypsy family typically accommodating a mobile home and space for a touring caravan and can sometimes include a 'day room'.

Travelling showpersons plot = mixed use plot which typically includes living accommodation and space for the storage and maintenance of equipment, sometimes called a 'yard'.

5 The Council has identified need for 15 pitches for gypsies and travellers and 24 plots for travelling showpeople. Options to meet our identified needs for pitches and plots are set out below. Please rank your preferences below (with 1 being your most preferred and 7 your least preferred)

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Make sites with temporary planning permission permanent (subject to required site assessments etc) <i>Please select only one item</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
When existing sites become vacant safeguard these for future traveller occupation <i>Please select only one item</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Identify and allocate new sites <i>Please select only one item</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Grant planning permission for occupied but unauthorised sites (subject to required site assessments etc) <i>Please select only one item</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Extend existing sites (subject to required site assessments etc) <i>Please select only one item</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Intensify existing sites within their current boundaries <i>Please select only one item</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Other options (please specify in box below)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please select only one item

If you selected 'Other' above please set out here

Site Selection

6 How important do you think the following are for the occupiers of a traveller site? Please score in order of importance where 1 is the most important and 5 is the least important.

	1	2	3	4	5
Being near a settlement with basic facilities - primary school, small shop, pub, church etc <i>Please select only one item</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Having direct access to an 'A' or 'B' road <i>Please select only one item</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
A site with existing vegetation to screen caravans and other structures <i>Please select only one item</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Having drainage on site <i>Please select only one item</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Being close to larger settlements as a source of employment <i>Please select only one item</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Having space/facilities on site for own employment purposes (storage)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	1	2	3	4	5
<i>Please select only one item</i>					
Provision of play space for children to use safely	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<i>Please select only one item</i>					
Connection to local infrastructure - water supply, telecoms, waste collection etc	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<i>Please select only one item</i>					
Space for an on-site day room	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<i>Please select only one item</i>					
Ability to occupy a site without creating tension with the settled community	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<i>Please select only one item</i>					
Space for adequate parking and turning of vehicles	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<i>Please select only one item</i>					
Preference for a site manager/warden	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<i>Please select only one item</i>					

Access to Services

7 How important is access to the following (please score in order of importance with 1 being the most important)

	1	2	3
Schools (primary or secondary) <i>Please select only one item</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Medical facilities <i>Please select only one item</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Shops <i>Please select only one item</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

What other services do you feel it is important to have access to? Please set out below

Site Capacity

Definition of pitch and plot ([click here](#))

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8 What do you think is the ideal size of a site?

Please select only one item

5 or less pitches/plots More than 5 pitches/plots

Looking ahead

- 9** If a traveller family decides to move from their current location should the site be retained so that it can be used by another traveller family?

Please select only one item

Yes No

If you answered 'no' above please set out what you think should be done with the site

- 10** Is there anything else that we could benefit from knowing when preparing our traveller plan?

11 Do you know of any opportunities for extra pitches/plots?

Please select all that apply

- On an existing site On a new site

Please state where the site is located so that it can be looked at as part of this process

Other Information**12** Please indicate which of the following groups you fall within from the list below

Please select all that apply

- Traveller/travelling showperson
 Planning agent acting on behalf of travellers
 Organisation representing the travelling community Parish Council
 Statutory consultee Member of the public
 Other (please specify in box below)

If you answered 'other' above please specify here

13 Are you?

Please select only one item

Male Female Prefer not to say

14 To which age group do you belong?

Please select only one item

0-15 16-24 25-34 35-44 45-54 55-64 65-74
 75 and over Prefer not to say