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Winchester City Council  
c/o Strategic Planning  
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23rd July 2018

Dear Ms Morton  
Programme Officer Winchester District Traveller DPD

**Gypsy & Traveller DPD Examination**  
**The Bungalow, Southwick Road, North Boarhunt, Fareham PO17 6JH**

I act as planning consultant to Mr L S Smith, the owner of the property 'The Bungalow' which, I understand, is proposed to be safeguarded from alternative development on adoption of the emerging DPD. Policy TR1 within the Publication (Pre-submission) version lists the site under reference W027 for travelling showpersons plots.

My client is very concerned about this potential allocation for a number of reasons. He was unaware of this Plan until recently when I advised him of its existence. Mr Smith does not recall being notified at any stage by the Council about this Plan. He lives in Aldingbourne, West Sussex but does visit the property often to collect mail. For this reason, he has not been able to make any representations until now on the Plan.

A planning application has also been submitted to Winchester City for the change of use of the travelling showpersons family plot to a residential garden so that it could be included within the curtilage of the host dwelling, The Bungalow. It has not yet been registered or validated.

The previous occupants of the travelling showpersons mobile homes, Mr Smith's daughters Keiley McKeown and Leah Jennings, have now moved away, leaving this part of the site unoccupied. Leah Jennings and family left the site on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2013 and Keiley McKeown and family moved away more recently in October 2016. The existing dwelling at the front of the site is also empty.

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The whole plot is currently being marketed for sale by Taylor Garnier Estate Agents. It is struggling to sell due to the planning permission granted in February 2011 for travelling showpeople on part of the overall site.

To safeguard the site for only travelling showpeople in the Gypsy, Traveller & Travelling Showpersons DPD would not be justified or effective as there is no prospect the site would be made available for that use. It would then not serve its intended purpose of providing much needed accommodation to travelling showpersons. The Plan is therefore unsound and Policy TR1 should be amended and site W027 deleted.

I would be grateful if you could forward a copy of this letter to Mrs Louise Crosby, who has been appointed to conduct the Examination.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

  
Michael Knappett

Enc.

Copy of planning permission dated 24<sup>th</sup> February 2011

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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED)

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GRANT OF PLANNING PERMISSION

Case No: 10/03186/FUL  
W Ref No: W12533/06  
Grid Ref: 459936  
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**Change of use of land for travelling showpersons permanent family plot  
(RETROSPECTIVE)**

**Proposed Showmans Site At Rear Of The Bungalow Southwick Road North  
Boarhunt Hampshire**

In pursuance of its powers under the above mentioned Act, the Council, as the Local Planning Authority, hereby GRANTS permission for the above development(s) in accordance with the plans and particulars submitted with your application received on 15 December 2010 and subject to compliance with the following conditions:-

1 The occupation of the site shall be limited to Travelling Showpeople, as defined within Paragraph 15 of Circular 04/2007: Planning for Travelling Showpeople; or a widow or widower of such a person, and to any resident dependants.

Reason: There is an acknowledged shortage of permanent and temporary pitches for Travelling Showpeople within the District and it is considered that this site is in accordance with the advice contained within Circular 04:2007: Planning for Travelling Showpeople.

2 There shall be no more than 2 caravans or mobile homes occupied for residential purposes within the site. Any additional touring caravans used by the travelling showpeople may be stored on the site but may not be occupied for residential purposes.

