



DUTY TO COOPERATE STATEMENT OF COMMON GROUND

BETWEEN: Winchester City Council and the East Hampshire District Council

DATE: May 2018

1. Introduction

1.1 This Statement of Common Ground (SCG) is a jointly agreed statement between Winchester City Council (WCC) and East Hampshire District Council (EHDC). It sets out an agreed position between the authorities in terms of proposed changes to Policy TR1 of the Winchester District Traveller DPD.

2. Proposed Agreed Amendments

2.1 EHDC specifically commented on the DPD published under Regulation 19, whilst supporting Policy TR1, but requesting that the policy be amended to recognise needs beyond the Winchester District boundary, through the addition of 'or from adjoining planning Authorities' at the end of the first paragraph of Policy TR1.

2.2 Following discussion between the two authorities the following amendments have been agreed:

Amend para 4.5 by the addition of a new sentence after the first sentence, to read.
'This is to ensure that these sites and others that may be authroised are retained to meet identified travellers needs within the District and any wider unmet needs under the Duty to Co-operate.'

Policy TR1 – Safeguarding Permitted Sites

The existing gypsy and traveller and travelling showpersons sites listed below, and show on the Policies Map, will be safeguarded from alternative development, unless the site is no longer required to meet any identified travellers needs ~~across the~~ District.

Second para to remain unchanged.

Signed on behalf of Winchester City Council
Date 1 May 2018
Position: Head of Strategic Planning

Signed on behalf of East Hampshire District Council Planning Authority
Date 02/05/2018
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