

# Dorset-wide Gypsy and Traveller Site Allocations Joint Development Plan Document (DPD)

## Gypsy and Traveller or Travelling Showpeople Sites Form

All of the local authorities in Dorset are working together to produce a Development Plan Document (DPD) which will allocate permanent and transit sites for Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople to meet needs for the next 15 years.

Please complete this form if you know of any potential sites which might be suitable and available for meeting the needs of the travelling communities.

Sites could include an existing unauthorised Gypsy and Traveller site / encampment or a new site currently in another use, which you feel could be considered for future authorised Gypsy and Traveller or Travelling Showpeople use.

For each potential site, please complete sections 1, 2 and 3 and as much of sections 4 to 7 as you are able.

Potential sites will be assessed and the best sites will be subject to a first stage of public consultation next year.

**Please be aware that the submitted details cannot be treated as confidential.**

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### Some definitions:

**Gypsies and Travellers** are defined in Circular 01/2006 as “*persons of nomadic habit of life whatever their race or origin*”. This includes English Gypsies and Irish Travellers, but also any other groups who have a nomadic way of life, irrespective of race or origin.

**Travelling Showpeople** are defined in Circular 04/2007 as “*members of a group organised for the purposes of holding fairs circuses or shows*”. Although their work is of a mobile nature, showpeople nevertheless require secure, permanent bases for the storage of their equipment and more particularly for residential purposes.

**A pitch** is an area of land where a Gypsy or Traveller household can reside – typically this may contain an amenity building, parking space and one or more caravans with sufficient space to enable the easy manoeuvrability of caravans up to 20 metres in length.

**A plot** means an area of land where a Travelling Showpeople household can reside, usually combining a residential use (caravans) with commercial use (storage and maintenance of equipment). Plots may be subdivided to allow for these two distinctive uses.

**A site** may contain a number of plots/pitches.

## Section 1 – Site Details

1. **Site Address:**

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2. **Area (hectares or acres):**

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**Please enclose a site plan on an OS base, showing**

- Site boundaries in red
- Access point(s) to serve the proposed development
- Surrounding features (e.g. road names) to ensure the site can be clearly identified

3. **Is the site currently being used for Gypsy and Traveller use or for Travelling Showpeople? Please tick**

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Go to Q4
No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Go to Q5

4. **Please provide detail of the number of caravans and/or families who are currently on site.**

5. **What is the land currently used for?**

6. **Can the site be viewed from public vantage points?**

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Go to Q8
No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Go to Q7

7. **If No, please provide contact details of the person with whom access to the site should be arranged:**

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## Section 2 – Land Ownership and Control

8. *Is the site, including the proposed means of access, in a single ownership or control? Please tick*

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Go to Q10
No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Go to Q9

9. *If No, please show the extent of the different ownerships and the extent of any land options on a site plan.*
10. *Have any Gypsies, Travellers, or Travelling Showpeople, expressed an interest in living on the site? Please tick*

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>

11. *Is the site currently for sale? Please tick*

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>

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## Section 3 – Your Contact Details

12. **Name:**

13. **Company:**

14. **Address:**

15. **Phone number:**

16. **Email:**

17. **Client (if appropriate):**

18. **Date:**

19. **Are you**

	<i>Please tick</i>	
Agent /Planning consultant	<input type="checkbox"/>	Go to Q21
Landowner	<input type="checkbox"/>	Go to Q22
Parish Council	<input type="checkbox"/>	Go to Q21
Registered social landlord	<input type="checkbox"/>	Go to Q21
Developer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Go to Q21
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	Go to Q20

20. *If 'Other', please specify below*

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21. *If you are not the landowner, do you have the landowners' authority to promote this site as a potential site for Gypsies and Travellers or Travelling Showpeople site? Please tick*

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Any further information you can provide about the site would be very useful. Please complete as many of the following sections as you can.

**Section 4 - Constraints**

22. *To the best of your knowledge, are there any constraints which could affect the developability of this site for use for Gypsy and Travellers or Travelling Showpeople? Please tick*

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Go to Q23
No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Go to Q25

23. *If Yes, please tick which constraints apply:*

Access	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adjacent uses	<input type="checkbox"/>
Contamination/pollution	<input type="checkbox"/>
Flood risk	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ground conditions (e.g. drainage)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Infrastructure (e.g. utilities)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Land ownership	<input type="checkbox"/>
Landscape impact	<input type="checkbox"/>
Legal (covenants, options etc)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Listed building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Noise	<input type="checkbox"/>
On-site hazards (e.g. Japanese Knotweed, pylons)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Protected species/habitats	<input type="checkbox"/>
Relocation of existing uses	<input type="checkbox"/>
Topography	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tree Preservation Order(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

24. *If you answered Yes to Question 22, and ticked Question 23, then please provide details of the identified constraints, and possible ways to overcome them, then go to Q25.*

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## Section 5 - Facilities and utilities

**Based on your assessment:**

25. **To the best of your knowledge, are these services available on site?** Please tick if available

Water	
Sewerage	
Electricity	
Gas	

26. **Where is the closest local facility to the site?** Please identify the nearest town/village/neighbourhood where this facility is located

	Settlement/Neighbourhood (name)
Shop	
Primary school	
Doctors/GP surgery	
Bus stop	

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## Section 6 - Gypsy and Traveller or Travelling Showpeople use

27. **Do you think the site is suitable for the following communities:?** Please tick  
Please see definitions on page 1

Gypsy and Traveller use	
Travelling Showpeople	
Both	

**Based on your assessment:**

**28. How many Gypsy and Traveller pitches or Travelling Showpeople plots do you believe the site could accommodate?** Please see definitions on page 1

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**29. Have you got views on how this site could be delivered and managed?** Please tick the most appropriate

Publicly owned and rented pitches	<input type="checkbox"/>
Privately owned site	<input type="checkbox"/>
Privately rented site to a number of families	<input type="checkbox"/>

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## Section 7 – Additional Information

**30. Please provide any additional information below.**

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Thank you for this information. Please return your completed form, preferably by email, to reach us by **Friday 30 July 2010**

By email to: [travellersites@bakerassoc.com](mailto:travellersites@bakerassoc.com)

By post to: Traveller Sites  
Baker Associates  
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***Please don't forget to enclose a site plan with clear site boundary.***