North Lincolnshire Local Plan (2020 – 2038) – Gypsy and Traveller Site Focused Consultation

Statement of Representation Procedure

Title of Document:

North Lincolnshire Local Plan (2020-2038) – Gypsy and Traveller Site Focused Consultation, May 2024

Subject Matter and Area Covered:

The Gypsy and Traveller Site Focused Consultation document sets out the proposed new Gypsy and Traveller allocation land east of Mill Lane, Brigg and supporting Policy H6-1 for inclusion in the submitted North Lincolnshire Local Plan. The new site and policy are proposed to meet the need for 17 permanent residential pitches in North Lincolnshire identified in the updated Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Needs Assessment (2021). The submitted plan currently proposes a criteria based policy (Policy H6) and to work with the market to bring forward sites to meet the identified needs within the plan period, as capacity within existing sites would not meet the increased needs but the appointed Inspectors questioned whether this approach was 'sound'.

Period of Publication for Representations:

Representations are invited on the Gypsy and Traveller Site Focused Consultation for a period of 6 weeks from Friday 10th May 2024 to Friday 21st June 2024 (inclusive).

How to view the documents available for inspection:

During this public representations period copies of the Gypsy and Traveller Site Focused Consultation document and supporting evidence base and background documents as listed below, will be available to view on the Council's website at: https://localplan.northlincs.gov.uk.

Internet access is provided at all libraries in North Lincolnshire during their usual opening hours. A hard copy of the consultation document is also available for inspection at Scunthorpe Central (Carlton Street, Scunthorpe, North Lincolnshire, DN15 6TX) and Brigg Library (Brigg Community Hub, The Angel, Market Place, Brigg, North Lincolnshire, DN20 8LD), 9am – 5pm Monday to Friday and 9am – 1pm (Scunthorpe) and 9am – 12pm (Brigg) on Saturday, closed on Sunday. A copy is also available at Church Square House Reception, 30-40 High Street, Scunthorpe, DN15 6NL.

Documents available to view include:

- Gypsy and Traveller Site Focused Consultation Document (May 2024)
- North Lincolnshire Local Plan Sustainability Appraisal and Habitats Regulations Assessment Addendum Report (March 2024)
- Gypsy and Traveller Site Delivery Background Document (April 2024)
- Gypsy and Traveller Site Assessment Document (March 2024)

The existing submitted North Lincolnshire Local Plan and supporting evidence base documents are available to view in the Examination Library online: Stage 6: Submission and Examination | North Lincolnshire Local Plan (northlincs.gov.uk) Please note, these documents have previously been published for consultation and are not subject to further comments at this stage. They should be read for context only in conjunction with the published consultation documents listed above.

Paper copies are also available to inspect by prior arrangement with the Place Planning team who can be contacted via email at localplan@northlincolnshire.gov.uk or by phone on (01724) 296694.

Representations:

There are several ways for you to respond, but we would like to encourage you to submit your views online via our website www.localplan.northlincs.gov.uk. Doing so should save you time and will allow us to process and consider your comments more quickly.

A paper response form is also available on request from the Place Planning Team or comments can be sent by email to: localplan@northlincs.gov.uk.

If you do not have access to the internet, please respond in writing to: Local Plan – Gypsy and Traveller Site Focused Consultation, Place Planning, North Lincolnshire Council, Church Square House, 30-40 High Street, Scunthorpe, DN15 6NL.

If you wish to take part in the future hearing sessions on this matter you must make a representation now. All individual responses received to this consultation will be sent for consideration by the appointed independent Planning Inspectors in the examination of the Local Plan.

Representations must be made in writing on or before Friday 21st June 2024.

All representations made during previous consultation periods for the Regulation 19 Publication Draft Local Plan (October 2021) and the Regulation 19 Publication Draft Addendum Local Plan (May 2022) have been submitted, alongside the Local Plan, to the Secretary of State. If you have previously submitted representations on the Regulation 19 Publication Draft Local Plan and Regulation 19 Publication Draft Addendum Local Plan, you do not need to resubmit them again. The Inspectors will be aware of the comments and will have been considering them as part of the examination. This consultation is inviting comments on the new Gypsy and Traveller site allocation and supporting policy, and the Council will only accept comments on this and the supporting background documents published.

Receiving notification of the progress of the Local Plan:

If you respond to this consultation your contact details will be stored and you will be kept informed of progress with the Local Plan, including dates of the examination hearing sessions when they are confirmed, publication of the Planning Inspectors' report and adoption of the North Lincolnshire Local Plan. You can request to be removed from our consultation database at any time by contacting us at localplan@northlincs.gov.uk.

Please note that information supplied to the council on this form generally cannot be kept confidential. Copies of all responses will be available for inspection at Church Square House, Scunthorpe and may be included in a summary schedule of responses to be made available at the council offices and on the council's website. Personal details such as addresses, telephone numbers, e-mail addresses and signatures will be redacted to comply with the UK GDPR. Responses will be entered on a database to be used by the council for the purpose or recording and collating comments and for contacting people and organisations about their responses. Please note that anonymous comments will not be accepted as comments must be attributable for the public examination by the Planning Inspectorate.

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For further details, please contact the Place Planning team on (01724) 296694 or by email at localplan@northlincs.gov.uk.