

Herefordshire Local Plan Travellers' Sites Development Plan Document

Additional sites consultation Consultation Statement

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INTRODUCTION

The council is producing a Travellers' Sites Document as part of its Local Plan. This will focus on the accommodation needs of the Traveller community (Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Show People) up to 2031. The council completed a preferred options consultation in 2016 to identify potential sites. Consultation took place on a pre-submission draft in 2017. The Plan was then submitted to the Secretary of State for examination. As part of the process, the appointed Planning Inspector asked the council to identify additional pitches for allocation. As a result, two additional sites were identified as offering potential to meet the shortfall in the five-year supply of residential pitches.

The consultation on the additional pitches were ran from Wednesday 24 October 2018 to Wednesday 5 December 2018. This report presents the responses received to the standard consultation questionnaire.

METHODOLOGY

The consultation was promoted on the council's website and Facebook page. It also featured in Hereford Times newspaper.

Notification was sent out to parish council clerks, individual and business contacts on the planning policy database, as well as groups and organisations specified according to Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012

The questionnaire was published on the Herefordshire Council website and residents were invited to complete it online. A printable version was made available on the website for residents who preferred to download, print and complete the questionnaire.

This report presents the results of the combined online and paper responses to the questionnaire. The sample base is the number of respondents to the question and is the base from which percentages are calculated. The sample base used is specified for each question. Percentages are presented rounded to the nearest whole number in the tables; however, the charts are based on unrounded percentages.

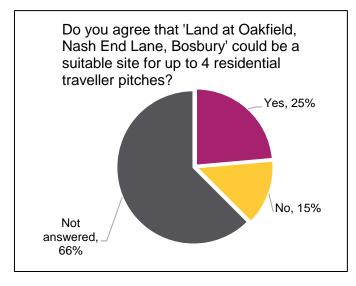
RESULTS

There were a total of 68 responses to the questionnaire. Respondents were instructed to refer to the maps and consultation document before completing the questionnaire.

1. LAND AT OAKFIELD, NASH END LANE, BOSBURY

Do you agree that this could be a suitable site for up to 4 additional residential traveller pitches?

	Number of	% of
	respondents	respondents
Yes	18	26%
No	10	15%
Not answered	44	65%
Total respondents	28	41%
All survey respondents	68	100%



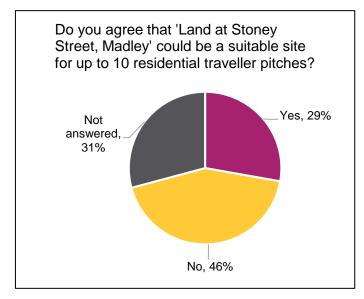
There were 9 comments and 17 further comments made, which can be found in full at www.herefordshire.gov.uk/traveller-sites-consultation

9 respondents provided further explanation as to why they did not support the site and 17 provided further comments.

2. LAND AT STONEY STREET, MADLEY

Do you agree that this could be a suitable site for up to 10 residential traveller pitches?

	Number of	% of
	respondents	respondents
Yes	20	29%
No	31	46%
Not answered	21	31%
Total respondents	51	75%
All survey respondents	68	100%



If no, please explain:

There were 34 comments and 24 further comments made, which can be found in full at www.herefordshire.gov.uk/traveller-sites-consultation

34 respondents provided further explanation as to why they did not support the site and 24 provided further comments.

3. Do you have any other comments on the consultation that are not covered by these questions?

There were 22 comments made, which can be found at www.herefordshire.gov.uk/traveller-sites-consultation