

Longer-term pitch requirement modelling

- 1.1 Longer-term pitch need modelling has been carried out using known household structure information from the household survey of households living on pitches. On the basis of the age of children in households, it is possible to determine the extent of 'likely emergence', which assumes that a child is likely to form a new household at the age of 18.
- 1.2 The year when a child reaches 18 has been calculated and it is possible to assess how many newly forming households may emerge over the period 2023/4-2030/31. A reasonable assumption is that half of these children will form new households, bearing in mind culturally women tend to move away on marriage and men tend to stay in close proximity to their families on marriage. The model therefore assumes that 50% of children will form households when they reach 18 and that these households remain in Herefordshire¹. Analysis would suggest a total cultural need for 31 additional pitches over the period 2023/24-2030/31 (revised Table 5.2).

Time period	No. children	Expected household formation
2023/24 – 2026/27	28	14
2027/28 – 2030/31	25	17
Total (2023/25 to 2030/31)	63	31

*includes data from Yoke Farm survey of 2014

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- 1.3 Analysis of household survey data establishes that 36.5% of Gypsies and Travellers living on pitches across Herefordshire satisfy the PPTS definition of Gypsies and Travellers (this is based on the 52 responses from households living on Gypsy and Traveller pitches in the 2017 survey). This proportion is applied to the cultural need evidenced in the 5-year and longer-term modelling of pitch requirements to establish a PPTS need for pitches.

Overall plan period pitch need

- 1.4 Revised Table 5.3 summarises the overall need for pitches across Herefordshire over the plan period to 2031. It presents the overall cultural need based on households identifying as Gypsy and Traveller and a PPTS need

¹ This approach has been tested at inquiry including Worcestershire and Shropshire.

which is a subset of the cultural need and is based on those households who meet the PPTS definition of need.

- 1.5 Assuming a 13-year period (2018/19 to 2030/31), this results in an annualised cultural need for 6.4 pitches and an annualised PPTS need for 2.3 pitches.

Revised Table 5.3 Overall plan period Gypsy and Traveller pitch need		
	Cultural need	Of which: PPTS need
5yr pitch need (2018/19 to 2022/23)	52	19
Longer-term need to 2023/24 to 2030/31	31	11
TOTAL pitch need 2018/19 to 2030/31 (Local Plan Period)	83	30

- 1.6 It is recommended that the Local Plan recognises there is a cultural need for 83 pitches over the plan period and a need for 30 pitches under the PPTS definition.