

Call for traveller sites

Herefordshire Council is preparing a Local Plan 2021-2041. The Local Plan will identify possible sites to meet the requirement over the plan period. Following the identified need for accommodation in the Gypsy and Travellers Accommodation Assessment (GTAA), we are interested in hearing about any other sites that may be suitable for consideration.

We are interested in sites that may be suitable for the following:

## **Residential pitches:**

A residential pitch is an area of land where a single Traveller household can reside. Pitches vary in size but typically will have space for an amenity building, a parking space, a hardstanding and for one or more caravan.

## Travelling Show People Plots:

A plot is an area of land where Travelling Showpeople can live but also have enough space to allow storage and maintenance of equipment. These sites are sometimes known as Winter Quarters

## Temporary Stopping Places/ Negotiated Stopping places:

Area of land that travellers can stop for a short period of time, where temporary sanitation and waste disposal facilities can be brought in.

Therefore we are asking for landowners / agents to send in information about possible sites.

#### Information required:

- Please use a separate form for each site. They can be new sites, extensions to existing sites or increases the number of pitches/plots within existing sites.
- We need an accurate map, clearly showing the boundary of the site so we can identify where it is.
- Please highlight the proposed site in red, including all land required for access, landscaping, etc. If you own adjacent land please also edge this in blue.
- Whilst we recognise that it might not be possible to supply all the requested information, please supply as much as possible.

# Confidentiality:

- We will not publish any of your personal details or say who sent the information in.
- Please be aware that your site suggestions cannot be kept confidential. If this causes you concern, you may wish to use an agent (for example a planning consultant, solicitor, estate agent, family member, etc.) to send in the site details on your behalf.

# What happens next?

- All sites put forward will be carefully looked at to see if they are suitable.
- Not all the sites sent in will necessarily be selected but the best sites may be considered for future plans for Travellers Sites.
- We will contact you when we have assessed your site and let you know the outcome.
- You will be kept informed of the process.

We are happy to help with any questions that you may have about this. You are welcome to contact us if you would like to discuss a site informally and in confidence, before deciding whether to send in any details about it.

Please contact a member of the planning policy team by telephone on 01432 383637 or by email at ldf@herefordshire.gov.uk for any advice and help on this issue.

Completed forms should be returned by email to: ldf@herefordshire.gov.uk

Or by post to: Planning Policy Team Herefordshire Council Plough Lane HR4 0LE

Please complete the following questions to submit information about your suggested site.

Contact Details				
Name				
What is your interest in the land? (please tick)	Landowner □	Agent	Developer	Other
Address				
Contact Number(s)				
Email				

Details	
Site name and address	
Post code (first part or full)	
Total land area if known (in hectares)	
Current land uses present	
What type of development could take place? E.g. for residential pitches, temporary stopping places or plots for travelling show people.	
How many pitches or plots could be located here?	
If the site is for plots is there sufficient space for	

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equipment storage and maintenance?	
Characteristics and Constrain	ts
Please provide a brief general description of the land/parcels of land	
Is the site level or sloping?	
Does the land have any notable natural features (e.g. Woodland, hedgerows, or ponds)?	
Does the land have existing access to the highway?	
Is the land close to any public transport services? (e.g. On or close to a railway line, on an existing bus route or bus stops within walking distance)	
<b>Is any of the land at risk of flooding?</b> (If this is known, please detail)	
Are there any known land contamination issues?	
Could the land be easily connected to utility networks? (Eg. Water,	

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sewerage, national grid, gas pipelines)							
Are there any other issues that we need to consider? E.g. are there legal restrictions which would limit the use of the site?							
Proposal and Deliverability							
When will the site be	0-5 years	6-10 years	11-15 years	16-20 years			
available for development?							
If you would like to add any other information about the site, please do so below.							

Thank you for completing the form. Completed forms should be returned by email to: ldf@herefordshire.gov.uk

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