

Hearing Session 25 : Gypsy and Travellers (2) 25th January 2017

Cllr Bob Penrose (ID5849) – Concise Statement for Representation MAC50 (MG5-6.40) Proposal for permanent Gypsy/Travellers Site at Llangan.

Site Assessments

What is the size of the site/ how many units proposed?

- 2 Acre site owned by Local Authority
- 2 Gypsy/Traveller families proposed

What is the current status of land?

- Previously a local authorities' brown field site which has been illegally occupied by one Traveller family for the past 20 years.

Would the allocation contribute towards the Plan's aims, objectives and overall spatial strategy?

- Yes, but the proposal does not make provision for the 17 Travellers' families at present illegally occupying the former Waste Recycling Site at Hayes Road, Sully. A site which was previously deemed by the Planning Inspector and Welsh Government as totally unacceptable for any form of residential development being located on a C2 flood plain.(copy correspondence from Welsh Government attached).
- The letter written to the Travellers illegally occupying the site at Hayes road, Sully by the Vale of Glamorgan Council stating the Local Authority will not take Planning Enforcement Proceedings for a period of 5 years (copy attached) is totally unacceptable and does not cater for the 'health and safety' and 'wellbeing' of these Travellers and their families.(see attached "call in" correspondence)
- The proposed two acre site at Llangan which is Local Authority owned and where the Vale of Glamorgan Council has tolerated the illegal occupation by one Traveller family for the past 20 years, the site has the size and capacity to accommodate the stated total of 19 Gypsy/Traveller families estimated by the Local Authority Officers in the Vale of Glamorgan, as previously identified by them in the Gypsy/Travellers Accommodation and Needs Assessment report dated 2011, for a previously proposed L.D.P. 2011.