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Proposed Gypsy/Traveller Site at Hayeswood Road

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Dear Sirs,

I wish to register my opposition to the proposed Gypsy / Traveller Site on Hayeswood Road, Barry. From a purely commercial point of view, there will be a serious loss of much needed revenue for the council – this site was originally earmarked for 55 houses and the council tax revenue from these would have generated around £150k per year. The revenue from a gypsy/traveller site will be negligible.

The businesses located on the Atlantic Trading Estate, adjacent to the proposed site, have all indicated that they will not invest further if the site is constructed, resulting in a loss of jobs for the area. Many businesses have also indicated that they will relocate should the site proceed resulting in further revenue loss from business rates.

The proposed site is governed by a covenant which prevents development which would be detrimental to the surrounding area and properties. There is clear historical evidence that sites of this type cause damage and disruption to the surrounding area – fly-tipping, increase in petty crime, trespassing etc.

Finally, the travellers on the existing 'non-official' site on Hayes Road have no wish to be relocated to a new site and have stated publicly that they will not move.

I strongly believe that there are more appropriate sites within the Vale of Glamorgan for a gypsy / traveller site and urge the council to reconsider their proposal.

Yours sincerely,