

Mr Edwin Dinsdale

19 December 2022

Matter 5

Formal Submission and Request to Participate in the Copeland Local Plan Hearings

Point 1

Within the examination library there is no evidence to suggest the person who is proposing to develop the Gypsy & Traveller Sneckyeat site for his family are legally recognised as Gypsy/Travellers.

Point 2

There is a requirement within the Gypsy & Traveller consultation documents to take into account the impact to the community.

Why has Copeland Borough Council not included a police report for potential crime and assessments that would take into account the impact the Gypsy & Traveller site will have on the local economy including businesses and house prices.

Point 3

The environmental reports that have been produced do not take into account the inventory that has gone into the proposed Gypsy & Traveller site when the ground was a land fill site.

This includes Contaminated land, chemical waste & asbestos.

Point 4

No consideration has been given to the overall cost of the proposed Gypsy & Traveller site. The developer talks openly on Radio Cumbria about fences and gates. The report concedes that the access to the Gypsy & Traveller site will need to be improved.

Issues will also surround any land excavation. How much will this cost and why hasn't a business plan and financial impact study not been produced as part of this consultation?

Mayor Starkie was asked a question at a full Copeland BC meeting dated 6th July 2022 about costs for the proposed Gypsy & Traveller site and he answered he didn't know how much it would cost.

I will send to you in a separate email the interview that was conducted by Radio Cumbria.

I will also send a full recording of the public meeting that was held 18th August 2022.

Point 5

The regulation 19 consultation states part 2.9 that there is a lack of availability of land for a Gypsy & Traveller site.

As part of the consultation I did submit an email that confirmed the proposed developer was a land owner and in my opinion he could use his own land for any proposed Gypsy & Traveller site which would result in the tax payer making considerable savings.

For some reason I cannot find this email within the examination library and as a result I will forward it on separately.

Point 6

What is the plan around the public rights of way that goes through the site and utilities that cannot be built on?

Point 7

Other than the proposed developer and his family there is no evidence to suggest that there is a demand for the Gypsy & Traveller site.