

North Norfolk Local Plan Examination: Matter 6 Agenda

Thursday 25 January following Matter 8

Matter 6: Gypsy, Traveller & Travelling Showpeople's Accommodation (Policy HOU5)

Issue: Whether the plan makes sufficient provision for pitches and plots to meet the needs of Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople.

1. Is the Norfolk Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople Needs Assessment (Document E3), dating from 2017, sufficient to provide the necessary evidence on which to base the plan?
2. Should an updated assessment be carried out to take account of:
 - i) the passage of time since 2017
 - ii) any change in pitch numbers since 2017
 - iii) the plan period should it be extended
 - iv) the revised definition of gypsies & travellers in the December 2023 Planning Policy for Traveller Sites
3. In the interests of effectiveness, should the numerical requirement for additional pitches and plots, however small, be set out in the plan?
4. Should an allocation(s) be made to meet the identified need? Alternatively, if a criteria-based policy is sufficient in the circumstances, are the criteria in Policy HOU5 positively prepared, justified, effective and consistent with national policy?