



21/11/18

Dear Mr Oliver,

APP/18/00929. Siting of an additional 1No mobile home to enable a total of 2No mobile homes on site for private gypsy and traveller site. Provision of a further 2 additional parking spaces to allow a total of 4 car parking spaces on site and retention of touring caravan space. |Southdown View Long Copse Lane Emsworth.

I am writing to object to the above planning application.

This site has a long and complex planning history. A previous planning application for 2 mobile homes, a pitch for a touring caravan and a amenity block was refused by HBC in June 2017 . An amended application specifically to meet the needs of one gypsy family in response to the Hampshire Consortium Gypsy Traveller Accommodation Assessment ( GTAA May 2017 ) was allowed by the PINS Inspector in February 2018 (Para 52 .....the justification for the development arises only as a result of the identified housing need, ... )

This ruling APP/X1735/W/16/3156978 was for that family alone and allowed 1 mobile home and 1 touring caravan only. There were a number of conditions applied in an attempt to meet environmental and landscape needs.

The present applicant has no identified housing need relevant to this site and indeed his nomadic status should be rigorously tested by HBC as per draft local plan 2036 H5.

Further development of the site triggers the concerns expressed by Michelle Good in her report in June 2017 particularly policies CS11.1 & CS11.9 An additional mobile home would unacceptably increase the building footprint of the site which when combined with more parking spaces, fencing and lighting columns are inappropriate to the rural aspect of Long Copse Lane. Further development, would also dominate the nearest settled community which is Holly Bank Cottage adjacent to the site.

Although the Inspector stressed in his ruling the wish to minimise the impact of the site on the local environment the views of the South Downs National Park have been obliterated by parked vehicles when looking north east from the Lane. Allowing even more vehicles on the site would make the area more of an industrial site. There can be up to 30 vehicle movements a day at present. This is far more than would be expected from a normal dwelling and is unacceptable for its position.

I therefore request that the application be refused permission for the above reasons.

Yours sincerely,

