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Dear Sir/Madam,

Re Planning Application APP/16/00021

I object to the above application for the following reasons.

1. The Havant Borough Core Strategy March 2011 6.32 clearly states that "in the absence of allocated sites, and in the light of the known need the council must include a clear criteria based policy against which speculative proposals must be assessed". However when you refer to the Hampshire Travellers Accommodation Assessment of 2013 projecting the needs to 2027, it identifies no future additional needs within the established Gypsy and Traveller sites in Havant in the time frame.
2. The current owners of the site appear not to adhere to the recognised planning process and have already installed a static caravan onsite with no provision for drainage and waste disposal.
3. The installation of two semi mobile caravans and two mobile caravans are completely at odds with the character of the lane which is recognised by Havant Council as one of the last two remaining roads of rural character in the borough. The construction and finish of the proposed dwellings is not specified in the application and could result in virtually static dwellings with no architectural sympathy or harmony alongside the current established properties. This would be very detrimental to the rural nature of the surrounding fields and woodlands to the North.
4. Long Copse Lane is a narrow lane with no pavement and is used by many walkers, school children, cyclists and horse riders and therefore the addition of itinerant wide caravans and light goods vehicles arriving and leaving will be detrimental to the safety and maintenance of the lane.

In essence I urge the planning department to resist this speculative and out of character application and furthermore use its authority to return the site to a paddock and stables and protect the lane for the future.

Yours faithfully

Max Jones

