

52 Long Copse Lane
Emsworth
Hants
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16/03/17

Dear Mr Oliver,

Planning Application APP/16/01234 – Change of use from private equestrian yard to a mixed use comprising private equestrian yard and single pitch private gypsy and traveller site (including amenity block and one touring caravan pitch). Revised application.

I am writing to object to the above revised planning application for reasons set out below.

Havant Borough Council has not identified the need for the provision of new Gypsy & Traveller sites until 2027 within the Borough.

The proposed site would intrude into the Emsworth/Westbourne gap and is outside the local development plan. It is not on previously developed land.

A site that includes an amenity block with Travellers coming and going with a variety of vehicles, children, dogs and floodlights would constitute unacceptable levels of noise and light intrusion in that area of the lane which would be detrimental to its character.

Due to the lack of planning enforcement many of these factors have already impacted on the residents of the property adjacent to the site.

Other issues include the use of a soakaway to drain surface water; the dangers of sewage leakage from a cess pit given the type of soil on the site; traffic movements in the Lane.

National Park views are impacted.

A mobile home with hard stand construction together with a travelling caravan have been put on the site by the developer after planning permission was refused last year.

There is concern that granting permission would lead to a “stepping stone” cumulative development which would alter the whole nature of the locality. Likewise the flouting of planning rules by the developer does not give re-assurance that the site would be well managed or that there would be adherence to any guidelines, conditions or obligations that might be imposed.

Yours sincerely,


Mrs E A Thomas

