

## Appendix 2

Q&A from floor – PPC Meeting – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Would the allocation for 5 increase?

The District Council needs to allocate 5; there is no requirement for any increase. The current assessment of this site has been based on the delivery of 5 pitches.

Are these people homeless?

The identification of needs is within the County-wide Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment 2015 ([web link](#)) and the methodology is described in detail. We do not know at this stage which family would occupy the site, we understand a small site like this would be appropriate for a single (extended) family.

You advise only 5 pitches on site how many caravans on each site?

1 static caravan and 1 touring caravan per pitch

Is there a limit to number of people to each family?

One licence holder and spouse/partner and their dependents

21 businesses employ in the region of 50 people. They will not stay if this goes ahead even if it was built on (residential) – employment is seriously threatened. Not supporting Core Policy 6 regarding employment and businesses. Comment please?

No policy conflict identified.

What is the price that has been agreed for the land?

No price has been agreed.

How will the site be policed to stop more travellers turning up.

This is not a transit site but a permanent family home – short stay visitors would be allowed with permission from ESCC. Site would be managed by ESCC and visited twice a week. Enforcement action can be taken for licence breach and any unauthorised encampment would be dealt with in the normal way and Bride's Tan transit site provides the temporary accommodation.

What is stopping teenagers staying in touring caravan?

Licence agreements and twice weekly site management visits

How much will the site cost to build?

Costs not known, this work is being undertaken and deliverability will be an issue for examination of LPP2

What is cost to council tax payers?

Delivery costs are unknown at this stage – government grants would be sought to deliver the site allocation once the LPP2 has been adopted

What size is each pitch? How many cars per pitch?

The proposed allocation is 0.69ha and this will include 5 pitches, turning space, some amenity space and landscaping

What improvements will LDC make to the Village?

LDC is in discussion with ESCC regarding a potential footpath from the proposed site allocation to the bus stop and the potential for reduced speed limit along Station Rd

The site will be run by ESCC not LDC? 5 additional pitches seems quite modest? Presumable existing sites can be extended? These sites are within SDNP.

5 pitches is the requirement set in the adopted Lewes Joint Core Strategy for Lewes district outside the National Park; there is no requirement to allocate more. There are no existing permanent sites within Lewes district (outside of the National Park); there are 2 sites within the National Park and both are included within the Submission South Downs Local Plan.

National Plan Policy is reviewed every 5 years. 0.69 hectares of 4.4 hectares is being used for the site. Therefore in 5 years time will you be extending the site further?

It is not the intention to extend this allocation.

Are there any other sites in the county in villages.

Yes there are other sites in villages in the county (for example in Robertsbridge and Maresfield)

Can you confirm unauthorised settlements to authorised settlements?

Lewes District has a transit site at Bride's Tan and travellers on unauthorised encampments within the county can be directed to move onto this transit site.