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Q1 Personal Details

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Q2 Agent Details (if applicable)

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Q3 Name or Organisation

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Q4 To which Main Modification consultation document does this representation relate? Please tick one box only (please complete a separate survey for each document you are commenting on)

Schedule of Proposed Main Modifications

Q5 Please indicate the schedule reference (e.g. MM01) in the above document and the Policy number (e.g. DM1) to which your representation relates (please complete a separate survey for each schedule reference you are commenting on):

Reference Code	MM48
Policy	DM7 Traveller sites

Q6 The Local Plan Review 2013 – 2033 is required to be assessed against the tests set out in paragraph 182 of the 2012 version of the National Planning Policy Framework to establish whether it is ‘sound’ and complies with legal requirements. Please refer to the guidance notes above for further information on the tests of ‘soundness’. Do you consider the Local Plan Review to be:

	Response
Legally compliant	
Positively Prepared	
Justified	No
Effective	No
Consistent with national policy	No

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Q7 Please provide your comments below

If the alterations laid out in the amended policy DM7 were to be implemented then rural communities and small hamlets could find traveller sites appearing wherever a small field could be found. The original plan safeguards the way of life of small rural communities by requiring gypsy and traveller sites to be reasonably close to amenities such as schools and hospitals. The changes would also absolve the local authority from its need to provide semi permanent pitches, which the council is clearly struggling to do as developers can't sell houses adjacent to traveller sites. The proposals amount to a green light for developers to ignore previous guidelines at the expense of those of us who live in more isolated parts of the area. Areas of natural beauty and tranquillity would disappear and these small communities would suffer significantly. The council should acknowledge its responsibilities under the present guidelines and push through projects such as Creedy Bridge which would allow them to reach the required number of traveller sites rather than shift the problem onto small communities. This 'out of sight, out of mind' policy shows a cynical lack of regard for those of us intent on maintaining a peaceful, rural way of life.