NEWPORT LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN EXAMINATION

Hearing Session 21: Gypsy and Traveller Transit Provision

10.00am Monday 13 October 2014

Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Newport, South Wales NP20 4UR

Main discussion matters

1. Examination of need for transit site provision in Plan.

   • Does the evidence (Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Needs Assessment January 2010 (SD106)) demonstrate an immediate requirement for a transit site of 7 pitches within Newport? If it does not, what level of provision does the evidence point to – and over what timescale?
   • What other approaches to addressing identified gypsy and traveller transit site need in the LDP (e.g: monitoring linked to appropriate trigger thresholds; short-term management measures; commitment to identify and develop transit facilities within an appropriate timescale) would be an appropriate response in the light of the evidence?

2. Examination of evidence submitted by Gallagher Estates concerning soundness of allocation of former Ringland Allotments Site (Proposed MAC 5.8).

   • Would the site provide an acceptable noise environment for occupiers, in the light of the Wardell Armstrong Noise Assessment dated March 2014?
   • Do other constraints to development identified in submissions on behalf of Gallaghers (access/highway safety; site topography; presence of pylons and overhead lines; landscape and visual impact considerations) render the site unsuitable for the proposed purpose?
   • Is the site demonstrably deliverable – have considerations of ownership and feasibility of acquisition, acquisition and development costs and delivery timescales all been properly taken into account?
   • Has the effect of the allocation on delivery of the nearby strategic housing allocation of Llanwern Village properly been taken into account?

Attendees Newport City Council; Welsh Government (244); Gallaghers Estates (1401); Ringland Matters Group (3928)