

**Worcestershire Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment (November 2014)**  
**Stakeholder Consultation and relationship with BDP representors**

Following the discussions under matter B2: Housing at the Hearing Sessions on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December, the Council have sought further clarification as to who was consulted during the preparation of the Worcestershire GTAA and who had previously submitted representations regarding Gypsies, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople during the preparation of the Bromsgrove District Plan (BDP).

The Council received three representations at BDP Proposed Submission Stage (September – November 2013). These were:

<b>Respondent Ref</b>	<b>Respondent</b>	<b>Summary of representation</b>
B022	Dr Peter King, Worcestershire CPRE	BDP11 is appropriate, but insufficiently flexible. It makes no provision for how the needs of Travelling Showpeople will be met.
B044	Mr A Yarwood, National Federation of Gypsy Liaison Groups	Welcome the policy safeguarding existing Gypsy and Traveller sites.  The criteria for sites should make it clear that applications for development will be permitted if they are compliant.
B062	Mr Fred Davies, South Worcestershire Councils (consisting of Malvern Hills, Worcester City and Wychavon Councils)	It is expected that Bromsgrove DC will respond to the findings of the GTAA within a reasonable time period.

The consultants arc<sup>4</sup> have provided a list of 161 stakeholders who were consulted on the Worcestershire GTAA, between 15<sup>th</sup> July 2013 to 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2013, and then an extension to the consultation was issued on the 5<sup>th</sup> August with an extended closing date of the 9<sup>th</sup> August 2013. In addition to this, a stakeholder consultation event took place on 20<sup>th</sup> August 2014 to disseminate the draft findings of the study, to which over 150 stakeholders were invited. These stakeholder lists can be provided if necessary.

In summary;

- Dr Peter King submitted a Hearing Statement on behalf of Worcestershire CPRE and Hagley Parish Council on Matter B2 and was present at the Hearing Sessions on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2014. He submitted comments on Matter B2.4 regarding Travellers
- The South Worcestershire Councils are all partner authorities in the Worcestershire GTAA and are fully aware of the findings of the study, from their own perspective and with regard to Bromsgrove
- The National Federation of Gypsy Liaison Groups were consulted as stakeholders on the GTAA in 2013 and were invited to the stakeholder event.

The Council can confirm that the final GTAA report and executive summary were received by all the partner authorities on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2014. The document was immediately uploaded to the Core Documents list on the Council's examination pages, and the Programme Officer was informed.