

NOTE: Modifications set out encompass changes agreed following Stage 1 Hearings and further proposed modifications as a result of Stage 2 of the Examination.

Policy 23 - Gypsies and Travellers and Travelling Showpeople

Gypsies and Travellers needs' **identified needs up to 2033 for two- up to nine additional pitches** will be met by:

A. Protecting the existing provision of pitches for Gypsies and Travellers at Folly Lane and Hale Brinks North; **and**

B. Supporting intensification of existing sites to provide extra pitches at Folly Lane and Hale Brinks North in line with the need set out in the Gypsies and Travellers Needs Assessment.

Any new site or substantial alteration to an existing site, plot or yard shall:

- **Provide satisfactory layout and facilities in terms of pitches, hardstanding, parking, turning space, amenity blocks, open space and play areas;**
- **Be capable of connection to energy, water and sewage infrastructure;**
- **Be accessible to public transport, services and facilities, and be capable of support by local social infrastructure; and**
- **Provide safe access to and from the road network**

Supporting Text

There are two Gypsy and Traveller sites in the borough; one at Folly Lane and another at Hale Brinks North. A Gypsy and Travelers **Travellers'** Needs Assessment, has been commissioned to understand the level of need in the Borough. The Gypsy and Travellers Needs Assessment has identified a requirement for two **up to nine additional** pitches, **using the** under the national definition in Planning Policy for Travellers Sites. The **Intend to Publish London Plan definition, which is wider than the Planning Policy for Travellers Sites definition and considered to apply in Waltham Forest Smith vs SSLUHC & Ors (31st October 2022).** The additional pitches are expected to be met by intensification of the existing sites.

PLEASE NOTE as per discussions at Stage 2 Examination hearings, it is proposed to delete the final two bullets as suggested as additional modifications in the Topic Paper LPE30:

- ~~**“Not cause harm to the residential amenity or the operational efficiency of nearby properties; and**~~
- ~~**Not cause harm to/or the loss of Metropolitan Green Belt, Metropolitan Open Land, protected Sites of Nature Conservation, Local Nature Reserves, Sites of Special Scientific Interest, Special Protection Areas and Special Areas of Conservation.”**~~