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Ms C Edwards
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(by email)

Dear Ms Edwards,

**EXAMINATION OF THE BASSETLAW LOCAL PLAN – LISA SMITH V SSLUHC [2022]
EWHC**

The Council recognises the Court of Appeal's judgement of the 31 October 2022 in relation to the above, but is of the view that it does not impact on the Council's approach in the emerging Bassetlaw Local Plan to addressing the accommodation needs of Gypsies and Travellers in the district over the plan period.

The 2022 Bassetlaw Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment Update, contains two figures: an 'ethnic' figure based on the accommodation needs of all Gypsy and Traveller households whether they have permanently ceased to travel or not; and a 'Planning Policy for Traveller Sites' figure (PPTS) which excludes the accommodation needs of Gypsy and Traveller households who have permanently ceased to travel.

The Council, in the submitted Local Plan has adopted the ethnic needs figures and therefore consider that the PPTS 2015 is not relevant to the approach in the Plan.

As such, the Council does not wish to review the 2022 Bassetlaw Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment Update.

Yours sincerely,



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