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Dear Mr McCormack and Mr Hendley

UPDATE ON GYPSY AND TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION NEEDS

Further to my last correspondence on 11 August (MLP/ED18), the Regeneration, Community and Environment Committee considered the 4 August Cabinet report on Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation on 13 August. The Committee agreed to accept the Cabinet decisions 107/2026 to 109/2026. The report is now scheduled to be presented to Full Council on 15 October 2026 with a recommendation to add £2,684,000 to the Capital Programme to deliver a permanent Council managed Gypsy and Traveller site on land previously used as the Wigmore Park and Ride.

Planning officers are also reviewing existing gypsy and traveller sites with the objective of allocating on the Policies Map as a main modification and assessing the capacity of sites for increasing the supply of pitches. This work will be presented with the written Hearing Statements to the Matters, Issues and Questions for the Phase 2 Hearing Sessions.

Yours sincerely



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