



# Gypsy Caravan Sites – Guidance

## Planning Policy No. 4

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# PLANNING COMMITTEE

## GYPSY CARAVAN SITES

### Introduction

Marden Parish Council's Planning Committee has adopted the following guidance note to be used as an aid to consistent decision making when consulted about planning applications by Maidstone Borough Council. However, each case will be considered on its own merits, and there may be circumstances when the committee feels it appropriate to take a different approach to that given below.

### Planning Applications related to Gypsy Caravan Sites

Marden Parish Council appreciates the significance of the gypsy way of life in dealing with gypsy related planning issues. The Parish Council is aware of the need to balance the potential impact of a proposal against the needs and personal circumstances of the applicant.

When responding as a consultee to the Local Planning Authority, usually MBC, on gypsy related applications the Parish Council will consider the following:

- The impact of a planning application in terms of its siting and potential effect upon the residential amenity, character, landscape, agriculture, conservation and highways of the area.
- The gypsy status of the applicant, any relevant personal factors and any proven links with Marden Parish which may render the application exceptional.

### Suggested conditions

Only on a temporary basis (3 years)  
Removal on cessation of use for residential  
Limited permission to named persons only

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