12 December 2014 – 6 February 2015
Re - Consultation on Gypsy and Travellers and Travelling Showpeople Schedule of Proposed Modifications
Chorley Local Plan 2012 -2026

12 representations were received to this consultation.
All Referenced as e.g. PM006 (2); PM022 (2)
The (2) relates to a response to the re-consultation stage.
Alison Marland

Thank you for your email. This is to inform you that West Lancashire Borough Council has no further comments to make on the Chorley Local Plan 2012-2026 Gypsy and Travellers and Travelling Showpeople Schedule of Proposed Modifications.

If you would like a more formal representation from us to this effect, please let me know.

Yours sincerely

Stephen Benge
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Planning and Development Services, West Lancashire Borough Council
52 Derby Street, Ormskirk. L39 2DF

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From: Alison Marland
Sent: 12 December 2014 17:02
To: Alison Marland
Subject: RE: RECONSULTATION : Chorley Local Plan 2012 -2026

Chorley Council is re-consulting on the Chorley Local Plan 2012 -2026 Consultation on Gypsy and Travellers and Travelling Showpeople Schedule of Proposed Modifications December 2014. This consultation will run from 12th December 2014 to 6th February 2015.

The Council letter below explains why we are re-consulting. Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the Planning Policy team by email (planning.policy@chorley.gov.uk) or by telephone on Chorley 515151

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From:                      26 January 2015 14:06
Sent:                     Planning, Policy
To:                       Consultation on Gypsy and Travellers and Travelling Show people Schedule of
Subject:                  Proposed Modifications Dec 2014

Dear Sir/Madam,

Natural England have no further comments to make in relation to the above consultation.

Regards

Janet Baguley
Lead Adviser – Greater Manchester & Merseyside;
Cheshire, Greater Manchester, Merseyside & Lancashire Area

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Manchester, M4 3AQ
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Thank you for consulting English Heritage about the above document.

English Heritage does not have any comments to make on the proposed modifications.

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Yours sincerely,

Emily Hrycan
Historic Environment Planning Adviser (North West)
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Planning, policy@chorley.gov.uk

Date: 30th January 2015

Our ref: 1577

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From: Hubbard, Alan
Sent: 30 November 2014 11:54
To: planning.policy@chorley.gov.uk
Subject: Chorley Local Plan: Consultation on Gypsy and Travellers and Travelling Showpeople Schedule of Proposed Modifications October 2014 - response from National Trust

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your letter of 17th October 2014 regarding the above consultation.

Having reviewed the relevant documentation I can inform you that National Trust has no comments to make on this occasion.

I confirm that the Trust remains interested in planning policy work in Chorley and would wish to continue to receive such notifications in the future please.

Regards,

Alan Hubbard
Planning Adviser
National Trust

PLEASE NOTE AMENDED ADDRESS
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18 High Street
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Cheshire
CHORLEY LOCAL PLAN 2012 - 2026 AND CONSULTATION ON GYPSY AND TRAVELLERS TRAVELLING SHOW PEOPLE SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS DECEMBER 2014

I am writing to make some comments as part of the latest consultation process about the revised Schedule of Proposed Modifications which now officially names Cowling Farm, within the proposed Local Plan, as the proposed allocation for the provision of a minimum of five Traveller pitches.

My complaint is that the Council has only made the schedule of modifications available on its website, at the Council Offices at Union Street Chorley and local libraries and Post Offices (in villages without a library). The Council has also only circulated the schedule of modifications by letter to some members of the settled community. This appears to be in breach of the Government's Planning Policy for Traveller Sites, Policy A section 6 (a) which states that, when assembling evidence, Councils should pay particular attention ".........to early and effective community engagement with........settled communities".

The proposed development would fall within Chorley East Ward which is one of the most diverse wards in the Borough. There are many from various cultural groups living less than a mile from the proposed site. Within these communities there are those who do not have a full command of the English language and therefore it is incumbent on the Council to reach out to these communities and to demonstrate an inclusive approach which reflects good practice nationally.

I can find no evidence whatsoever that the Council has sought to engage with our local multi-cultural and multi-linguistic communities in respect of this latest consultation process and thus they appear to have been disenfranchised from the consultation. There remain many who do not know about the proposed development and the Proposed Modifications.

The latest consultation process is therefore invalid.

I suggest that the Council now suspends consultation about the proposed modifications so that the relevant documentation can be redrafted and translated into those languages appropriate to all in the local community.

Please could these comments be forwarded to the Local Plan Inspector.

Yours sincerely

Samantha Barclay
From: Cohn Halliday  
Sent: 14 December 2014 01:18  
To: Planning.Policy  
Subject: Gypsy and Travellers site  
Attachments: Untitled_20141211_122407.pdf

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Dear Planning Policy (Peter, Ste, and Co)

I hope you are well?

Just to let you know the Ambulance Service does not have a comment to make in relation to the site.

Merry Christmas and have a happy and safe new year.

Kind regards

Colin Halliday  
Gazetteer Team Supervisor  
North West Ambulance Service NHS Trust  
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From: Dr E K Isaac  
Sent: 18 December 2014 16:19  
To: Planning.Policy  
Subject: Gypsy/traveller sites in Chorley

Sir
This long standing issue must be resolved, there must be NO development on Green belt land.
We all need a place to live, but the present unlawful Hut lane site has both caused great distress, and the matter can only be resolved by having a proper legal site.

I thus support the Cowling site, as it seems to fulfil the gypsy needs, without breaking the law, this is the main issue. Gypsy and traveller communities must abide by the law!

It is quite wrong that this matter has gone on for so long.

Dr E K Isaac
Hello,

Following receipt of your letter dated 12th December regarding the re-consultation on Gypsy and Traveller and Travelling Showpeople schedule of proposed modifications, I can confirm that Blackburn with Darwen Council do not have any comments to make.

Kind Regards
Laura

Laura Gorst
Senior Planner
Strategic Planning Group
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With reference to the planning for gypsy/travellers site at Cowling Farm. What are you thinking of? I think it would be an awful decision to allow permission for this site. The Spinners public house has been a great success with the new landlord now fully established. It would certainly affect his trade if this was to go ahead.

My vote is a definite NO NO NO!!!!!!

R. Thornthwaite

Sent from Samsung tablet
On behalf of the National Federation of Gypsy Liaison Groups, I write to record support for the proposed modifications.

A. R. Yarwood
Planning Officer
National Federation of Gypsy Liaison Groups
To whom it may concern,

We would like to state our objection to the proposed planning of a Gypsy and Traveller site at Cowling Farm.

Putting aside the negative affect these proposed plans have already had on our household, namely it has reduced the value of our home and caused a potential house sale to not go ahead.

We believe that Cowling Farm is the wrong place to locate a traveller site because it would have a detrimental effect on the community should it increase in size (legally or illegally). The Cowling site offers too much available capacity to spread. We believe travellers should be integrated into communities through a selection of smaller sites thus lessening the impact on a community.

The dismissal of the Achurst site on the grounds that the site is being used as car parking for local businesses suggests that people are unable to access their place of work through public transport, which is not the case. The use of public transport over private cars should always be encouraged. We believe this to be a better choice of site as it is smaller and thus would have a lesser impact on the local community.

In this time of austerity the Cowling Farm presents itself as the most costly option.

If the site proposal is intended for the sole use of the Linfoot family as the consultation has inferred then why not let them stay where they are currently residing? The location of the housing estate adjacent to this site would indicate that a precedent has already been set for residential development in that area.

We have not involved ourselves in the consultation thus far because we believe councils should make provisions for Travellers and gypsies. We just don't believe that Cowling farm is the right location.

Sincerely

Mr & Mrs Wray

If the occupants were to increase in capacity legally or illegally which the site allows would

The site would allow
From: Cllr Terence Brown  
Sent: 06 February 2015 09:40  
To: Planning.Policy  
Subject: Consultation. Gypsy Traveller site.

Dear Sir/ Madam.
I object to the Cowling Road Site as the preferred Site for the Gypsy Traveller Site. 
I believe it's not sustainable.

I believe the sustainability assessment is flawed.
Cowling farm is on the edge of the urban fringe with no Shops Services or Schools near by. Where as the Yarrow depot site is very close to local schools Shops and on a major bus route. Yet both sites are rated the same in terms of sustainability.

Thanks

Cllr Terry Brown  
Chorley East Ward  
Chorley Council