Cardiff Council

Replacement Local Development Plan

Examination

Additional Hearing Session 4a – 14.00-17.00, 3 December 2026

County Hall

Gypsy and Travellers

Issue - Whether the LDP makes adequate and deliverable provision for Gypsy and Traveller accommodation.

1. Opening and introductions

2. Provision of Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation

2.1 Does the Council's position remain as set out in its Cabinet Report: 80 permanent pitches at Pengam Green, 20 permanent pitches at the existing Rover Way site, and an assessment process to address a shortfall of 55 pitches?

2.2 What progress has been made identifying 55 permanent and 10 transit pitches?

2.3 What commitment did the Council's Cabinet make on 17 September 2026 to provide transit pitches, and how does this relate to the figures above?

2.4 What is the status of the assessment process to address the shortfall of 55 pitches? Please explain the arrangements and funding for the assessment, its completion timetable, and the anticipated dates for site identification and availability of pitches for occupation.

2.5 Is the April 2023 'South East Wales Regional Gypsy and Traveller Transit Study' Draft Project Brief the latest available update on regional working?

3. Pengam Green

3.1 Please distinguish between completed and outstanding investigations identified in paragraphs 8–11 of the Cabinet Report and explain when the outstanding work will be completed. Pending completion of the outstanding work, on what basis does the Council consider that the site can be relied upon to meet the identified accommodation need? What is the anticipated programme for securing any necessary consents, completing site works and making pitches available for occupation?

3.2 Does it remain the case that delivery of a site at Pengam Green is uncosted and that the Council's budget framework includes no funding for site creation or upgrading, acquisition of additional land, or ongoing operating costs?

3.3 Which costs, including feasibility studies and land remediation, would be eligible for the Welsh Government's Gypsy and Traveller Sites Capital Grant? Please identify the relevant guidance provisions, any eligibility requirements concerning site suitability, and how ineligible costs would be funded. Has grant funding been sought or secured and, if not, what is the anticipated application and decision timetable?

4. Rover Way

4.1 When will the refurbishment of the Rover Way site commence and be completed? Has funding been identified for the refurbishment? Has grant funding been sought or secured and, if not, what is the anticipated application and decision timetable?

5. Action Points