LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER & RUTLAND

GYPSIES’ AND TRAVELLERS’

ACCOMMODATION NEEDS ASSESSMENT

(2006-16)

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ASSESSMENT OF ACCOMMODATION NEEDS OF GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS
IN LEICESTER, LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND
LA RESIDENTIAL AND PRIVATE AUTHORISED SITES

INTRODUCTION
My name is [ ] and I work for Birmingham University. We have been asked by local councils in this area to see what sort of accommodation Gypsies and Travellers need locally. We want to be sure that we understand what Gypsies and Travellers need and want, so we want to talk to a number of people – in houses, on sites and on the roadside – to get a range of views.

Would you be willing to talk to me? It will probably take about 40 minutes. If you agree, I will be writing down your answers but the interview will be completely confidential. We are completely independent of any local council, the police or the DSS. No-one will be identified in any report, and there is no way that anyone will be able to trace any particular answer back to you. If there are any particular questions you don’t want to answer, just say so. So, would you be willing to talk to me now? If it’s awkward now, I could call back later on today.

SCREENING QUESTIONS

S1. Have you already been interviewed for this survey?

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S2. Can I just check, do you live here most of the year, or are you here as a visitor or on a temporary basis?

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INTERVIEWER TICK IN TABLE BELOW IF LA SITE; IF PRIVATE SITE ASK

S3. Do you or your family own the plot you live on or do you rent it?

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INTERVIEW DETAILS

Site: ............................................

Date of interview: ......................... Interviewer: ............................................

Sex of respondent: Male [ ] Female [ ] Couple [ ]
SECTION A : GENERAL ACCOMMODATION NEEDS

I’d like to start by asking whether you think there is sufficient accommodation specifically for Gypsies and Travellers in Leicestershire and Rutland.

A1. Are more permanent caravan sites needed for Gypsies and Travellers in the area, where people can stay as long as they want?
   - Yes
   - No
   - Don’t know

IF NO/DON’T KNOW SKIP TO A5; IF YES ASK
A2. Where should additional sites be provided? PROBE for town/village

A3. Who should provide them? Read out first four and tick all that apply
   - Local councils
   - Gypsies and Travellers to rent to others
   - Gypsies and Travellers for themselves and their families
   - Doesn’t matter
   - Other (specify)
   - Don’t know

A4. How many plots should permanent sites ideally have?
   - Up to 5 plots
   - 6 to 10 plots
   - 11 to 15 plots
   - 16 to 20 plots
   - Over 20 plots
   - Don’t know
A5. Do you think there is a need for transit sites in Leicestershire and Rutland where Gypsies and Travellers can stay for short periods?

Yes ☐
No ☐
Don’t know ☐

*IF NO/DK SKIP TO B1; IF YES ASK*

A6. Where should transit sites be provided? *(probe for towns/villages and write in)*

A7. What facilities should be provided on such sites? *Read out and tick all that apply*

Hardstandings ☐
Water supply ☐
Mains electricity ☐
Shared WCs ☐
Shared baths/showers ☐
Individual WCs for each plot ☐
Individual baths/showers ☐
Refuse collection ☐

A8. How many caravans or trailers should a transit site be designed to take?

Up to 5 caravans/trailers ☐
6-10 caravans/trailers ☐
11-20 caravans/trailers ☐
21-30 caravan/trailers ☐
More than 30 caravan/trailers ☐
Don’t know ☐
A9. Should transit sites be provided by councils, by Gypsies and Travellers, or by others?

- Councils
- Gypsies and Travellers
- Other (specify)
- Doesn’t matter
- Don’t know

A10. Should the site manager live on the transit site or just visit it each day?

- Should live on site
- Should visit each day
- Doesn’t matter
- Don’t know

A11. And should the manager be a Gypsy or Traveller, or someone else?

- A Gypsy/Traveller
- Someone else
- Doesn’t matter
- Don’t know

A12. Who do you think would use transit sites if they were provided? (write in)

A13. Specifically would you, or any of your family or friends, be interested in using transit sites in the Leicestershire and Rutland area if sites were provided?

- Yes
- No
- Don’t know

**IF NO PROBE : Why not?**
SECTION B : HOUSEHOLD DETAILS
Now I’d like to ask a few questions about yourself and your family who live with you.

B1. Can you tell me about all the people who live with you in your immediate family. **PROBE DETAILS SUFFICIENTLY TO COMPLETE GRID. NO NEED TO PRESS FOR NAMES**

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B2. Is there anyone in your family (eg sons or daughters) who is likely to want their own independent accommodation in the next 5 years?

Yes  
No  
Don’t know

**IF YES, TICK FINAL COLUMN OF GRID ABOVE TO SHOW WHICH FAMILY MEMBER(S). PROBE :**
**In what circumstances?**

**What sort of accommodation will they try to find?**

**Will it be in Leicestershire or Rutland?**

**Will it be difficult to find?**
B3. Is there anyone apart from the people you have told me about who lives with you some of the time/part of the year. If so please give their details:

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B4. Is there anyone else who, given the choice, would like to live with you but is not able to at present. If so please give details:

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<th>Reason for not living with you now</th>
<th>What type of accommodation do they have now</th>
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B5. Does anyone in your family who lives with you here have a disability or serious long-term illness.

Yes  [ ]

No   [ ]

**PROBE:**

Who has problems?

What health problems?
B6. Does anyone in your family who lives with you here have health needs which mean they need special or adapted accommodation?

Yes  
No  

**PROBE:**  
*What sorts of accommodation/adaptations?*

Are the needs currently being met?

B7. Do you currently provide care or support for anyone who is not living as part of your immediate family? And does anyone in your immediate family receive care or support from anyone who does not live here with you – I mean other than from a doctor or other professional?

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**PROBE:**  
*Who gives/provides support?*

What sort of support?

Where do they live?

B8. Do you have any other family/relations living on this site?

Yes  
No  

B9. And do you have any family/relations living nearby (not on this site)?

Yes ☐
No ☐

**IF YES**
B10. Are they living in . . . **READ OUT AND TICK ALL THAT APPLY**

- A flat or house ☐
- A council caravan site ☐
  Which? write in
- On land or a caravan site they own themselves ☐
  Where? write in
- A private site owned by someone else ☐
  Where? write in
- Roadside stopping place ☐
  Where? write in
- Other ☐
  Specify write in

**ASK ALL**
B11. Does anyone in your family work at present?

Yes ☐
No ☐

**IF YES AND RESPONDENT IS WILLING TO ANSWER, PROBE FOR**:  
Which family members?

What sort of work?

Are they employed or self-employed?

Do they work full- or part time?

Are they employed throughout the year?
B12. Would anyone in your family like to work who doesn’t do so at present?

Yes [ ]
No [ ]
Don’t know [ ]

*IF YES PROBE FOR:*
*Which family members?*

*What sort of work?*

B13. How easy is it for a Gypsy or a Traveller to find work around here?

Very easy [ ]
Easy [ ]
Difficult [ ]
Very difficult [ ]
Don’t know [ ]

*IF DIFFICULT OR VERY DIFFICULT, ASK B14; OTHERS GO TO B15*

B14. What are the main barriers/constraints to getting employment? *Write in*

B15. Do you think of yourself as:

Romany/Gypsy [ ]
Traveller [ ]
English Traveller [ ]
Irish Traveller [ ]
Scottish Gypsy/Traveller [ ]
New Traveller [ ]
Showman [ ]
Other (specify) [ ]
SECTION C : CURRENT ACCOMMODATION

This section is about the site you are living on and your views about it. Can I ask first about the living accommodation you have for your immediate family.

C1. How many mobile homes or caravans/trailers are you living in here? 

PROBE to distinguish chalets/mobile homes, touring caravans/trailers and houses/bungalows (permanent construction).

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<td>Chalet/mobile home</td>
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<td>Trailer/touring caravan</td>
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C2. Does this (the number of mobile homes/caravans etc) give you enough space for your family’s needs?

Yes ☐

No ☐

IF NO ASK C3; IF YES SKIP TO C4

C3. Would you need more mobile homes/caravans/trailers, or bigger mobile homes/caravans/trailers, or something different to give you enough space for your families needs?

More caravans ☐

Bigger caravans ☐

Both more and bigger ☐

Something different (specify) ☐

C4. Are any of the following facilities provided for use just by you and your family? 

TICK YES OR NO AS APPROPRIATE

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IF HAS NO AMENITY UNIT/TOILET BLOCK FOR OWN USE ASK C5 AND C6 THEN SKIP TO C10; IF HAS AMENITY UNIT GO TO C7
### IF DOES NOT HAVE AMENITY UNIT/TOILET BLOCK FOR OWN USE

C5. Can you tell me whether you have the use of the following facilities. **PROBE AND RECORD BELOW:** How are they provided? (eg in trailer/mobile home/chalet) Are they just for your family or are they shared?

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C6. How satisfied are you with this provision of facilities?

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

### IF HAS AMENITY UNIT ASK

C7. Can you tell me what facilities your amenity unit has.

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C8. Are there any facilities missing in the amenity unit that you would like? **PROBE and write in.**

C9. Does the amenity unit give you enough space for your family’s needs?

Yes  [ ]
No  [ ]

**IF NO PROBE:**
*Why do you say that?*

**What extra space is needed?**

C10. Thinking now about your **plot**, is this too big, too small or about right for your family’s needs?

Too big  [ ]
Too small  [ ]
About right  [ ]

**IF TOO SMALL PROBE:**
*Why do you say that?*

**What extra space is needed?**

C11. More generally, what do you like most about this **site?** *(write in)*
C12. What do you like least about this site? *(write in)*

C13. How satisfied are you with the site overall?

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

C14. Is there space on the site for children to play safely?

- Yes
- No

IF NO
C15. Would you like space to be provided where children could play safely?

- Yes
- No

ASK ALL
C16. Are there work areas on the site?

- Yes
- No

IF NO
C17. Would you like work areas to be provided?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

ASK ALL
C18. And is there any space on site for animal grazing?

- Yes
- No
IF NO
C19. Would you like grazing areas to be provided?

Yes [ ]
No [ ]
Don't know [ ]

ASK ALL
C20. Would you say that this site is too big, too small or about right?

Too big [ ]
Too small [ ]
About right [ ]

C21. How would you rate the site’s location? Is it . . . ? Read out

Good [ ]
Fair [ ]
Poor [ ]

C22. How convenient is it for local services that you might need?

PROBE AND RECORD BELOW: How do you normally get there? Is it easy by public transport?

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C23. How would you rate the site for its state of repair. Is it . . . ? Read out

- Good
- Fair
- Poor

DO NOT ASK IF RESPONDENT OWNS THEIR SITE OR PLOT
C24. And the way it is managed? Is it . . . ? Read out

- Good
- Fair
- Poor

ASK ALL
C25. Would you say that the site is underused, or overcrowded, or about right?

- Underused
- Over crowded
- About right

C26. Is it possible for Gypsies and Travellers to visit you here with trailers?

- Yes
- No

FOR EITHER ANSWER PROBE : How do you feel about that?

C27. Do you have any concerns about your family’s safety on this site?

- Yes
- No

IF YES PROBE :
What concerns?
C28. If you could make one improvement to the site or your plot, what would it be? (write in)

C29. If it were possible, would you like this site to be extended to provide additional plots?

- Yes
- No

*EITHER ANSWER PROBE: Why do you say that?*
SECTION D : HOUSING HISTORY

D1. How long have you lived here?

- Less than 1 month  
- 1 month but less than 6 months  
- 6 months but less than 1 year  
- 1 year but less than 5 years  
- 5 years and over

D2. What sort of accommodation did you have before you came here?

(Probe to try to establish categories below or write in)

- Permanent caravan site owned by Council  
- Permanent caravan site owned by family  
- Permanent caravan site privately owned  
- Council transit site  
- Private transit site  
- Roadside (no site/base)  
- House/flat  
- Other (specify)

D3. Where was that?  Probe for town or village write in

D4. How long were you there?

- Less than 1 month  
- 1 month but less than 6 months  
- 6 months but less than 1 year  
- 1 year but less than 5 years  
- 5 years and over
**Authorised sites**

*IF ON PRIVATE SITE AND RESPONDENT OR CLOSE FAMILY OWNS THE PLOT OR SITE, ASK D5; ALL OTHERS GO TO D7*

D5. When you moved here, was the site already established, or were you involved in setting it up?

- Site already established
- Involved in setting site up
- Other - specify

*IF INVOLVED IN SETTING UP SITE ASK D6 THEN SKIP TO D8; OTHERS GO TO D7*

D6. Can you tell me a bit about the process of setting the site up?

*RECORD ANSWER AND THEN PROBE:*

- Why did you come to this area?
- How did you get to know about this land?
- Why did you pick this land rather than another
- Who did you develop the site with?
- What happened about getting planning permission for the site?
- Did you use a planning consultant?
ALL EXCEPT THOSE INVOLVED IN SETTING UP OWN PRIVATE SITE

D7. Why did you leave there/move here?  
(Probe for reasons; check Did you have to leave previous accommodation, eg evicted)

Why did you come to this area, eg for work?

How did you know about this site?

Why did you pick this site?

ASK ALL
D8. Would you say you came here from choice or because other alternatives were not available?

Choice

Lack of alternative

If lack of alternative probe: What were you looking for ideally?

D9. Have you ever lived in a house?

Yes

No

If no go to D14; if yes ask
D10. Why did you move into a house?  
PROBE: reasons, eg there with parents, health, for children’s schooling

D11. Did you experience any problems living in a house?  
Yes ☐
No ☐

PROBE: what problems?

D12. Where was the last house you lived in? (Write in town or village)

D13. Why did you leave the house? PROBE full reasons
SECTION E: ACCOMMODATION NEEDS AND ASPIRATIONS

E1. Do you want to move from this site in the next year, or the next three years, or the next five years?

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*IF YES TO ANY PART PROBE FOR:* Reasons for moving

E2. Can I just check, are you on a waiting list for a place on another permanent caravan site anywhere in Leicestershire or Rutland?

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*IF YES PROBE: Which site is this?*

*Why do you want to move there?*

E3. Would you be interested in moving to a house in this area?

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*PROBE: Why do you say that?*

*IF YES AT E3; IF NO GO TO E7*
E4. What sort of house would you prefer?
**PROBE AND TICK ALL PREFERENCES**

**Tenure:**
- Rented from a council
- Rented from a housing association
- Rented from a private landlord
- Owner-occupied
- Other *(specify)*
- Doesn’t matter
- Don’t know

**House type:**
- Bungalow
- House
- Flat
- Other *(specify)*
- Doesn’t matter
- Don’t know

E5. Where would you prefer the house to be?
**PROBE: nearby towns, villages**

E6. Are you on a waiting list for a council or housing association house anywhere in Leicestershire or Rutland?
- Yes
- No
- Don’t know

**IF YES PROBE: Which authority/housing association is this?**

**ASK UNLESS SITE/PLOT OWNER; SITE/PLOT OWNERS SKIP TO E6**

E7. And can I just check, would you like to develop a site of your own?
- Yes
- No

**IF YES CONTINUE; IF NO GO TO E9**
E8. Thinking about the option of developing your own site:

a) Who would you like to develop it with?  **PROBE for**

- Own immediate family only
- Other family members
- Other people
- Don’t know

b) Can you afford to buy land for a site of your own?

- Yes
- No
- Don’t know

c) Where would you like to develop a site of your own? **PROBE FOR TOWN OR VILLAGE (write in)**

d) How many pitches would you like it to have? **Write in**

e) Would you like to have some space to accommodate visitors?

- Yes
- No

f) Do you think you would get planning permission for such a site?

- Yes
- No
- Don’t know

g) Would you like help in finding land to build a site?

- Yes
- No
E9. We’ve talked about various sorts of accommodation that Gypsies and Travellers live in. I’m going to read out seven different sorts of accommodation. I’d like you to say which of these you find most attractive, and which you find least attractive.

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SECTION F : TRAVELLING

Now I’d like to talk about travelling.

F1. How much travelling have you and/or members of your family done in the last 12 months, I mean travelling and living in a caravan or trailer away from this site?

*PROBE TO ESTABLISH : total length of time away from site; and number of trips to complete table*

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*IF DID NOT TRAVEL, ASK F2, THEN SKIP TO F11
ASK ALL*

F2. Is this normal, or has it changed over the past few years?

- Normal
- Changed

*IF CHANGED PROBE :*

- *In what ways has it change*

*Why has it changed*
F3. In which seasons did you travel over the past 12 months? _Tick all that apply_

- Spring (for example around Easter)
- Summer (June, July, August)
- Autumn (September, October)
- Winter (for example around Christmas)
- Travelled all year

F4. Who did you usually travel with?

- By yourself
- Own immediate family
- Other family members
- Other families
- Other (specify)

F5. What were your main reasons for travelling?
_PROBE: Reasons, eg working, holidays, fairs, visiting relatives, family events, way of life_

F6. What sorts of stopping places did you stay on when you were travelling over the past year? _Tick all that apply_

- Permanent caravan sites owned by a council
- Transit sites owned by a council
- Caravan sites owned by a Gypsy or Traveller
- Other caravan sites
- Roadside stopping places – council land
- Roadside stopping places – private land
- Farmer’s fields
- Fields etc provided at fairs
- Other (specify)
F7. Did you have permission to stay on these stopping places?
- Yes
- No
- Sometimes yes, sometimes no

F8. Was it easy or difficult to find places to stop?
- Easy
- Difficult
- Mixed experience

F9. And was it easy or difficult to stay as long as you wanted?
- Easy
- Difficult
- Mixed experience

F10. Were you ever forced to leave a stopping place while you were travelling last year?
- Yes
- No

*IF YES PROBE:*
*What happened?*

F11. Could you describe how you would like to be able to travel in the future?
*PROBE for views under heading below*

Frequency and duration of travelling

Reasons for travelling

Areas to be visited
F12. I'm going to read out some different sorts of stopping places Gypsies and Travellers can use while travelling. Which would be the most attractive to you? Which would be the least attractive?

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<td>Holiday caravan sites open to everyone</td>
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<td>Farmers’ fields</td>
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<td>Roadside or informal stopping places you find yourself</td>
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F13. If a network of transit sites were to be developed, would you use them?

Yes [ ]
No [ ]
Don’t know [ ]
SECTION G: HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SUPPORT NEEDS

Finally I’d like to ask you some questions about your family’s health, education and other support needs.

G1. Are you permanently registered with a doctor/GP? Is this locally or somewhere else?

Yes, locally

Yes, somewhere else

No

IF NOT REGISTERED LOCALLY ASK G2; OTHERS GO TO E4

G2. Are you registered temporarily with a local doctor/GP

Yes

No

IF NO ASK G3; OTHERS GO TO G4

G3. Have you tried to register locally?

IF YES PROBE:
What happened

ASK ALL

G4. Have you experienced any problems in getting health care for yourself or your family over the last two years in this area?

Yes

No

IF YES PROBE:
What were they?

G5. If there was one improvement you could make to health services locally, what would it be? Write in
G6. Can I just check, are there any children of school age in your family?
   Yes
   No

   **IF NO GO TO G9; IF YES ASK**

G7. Do your children attend school regularly?
   Yes, all
   Yes, some
   No

   **IF SOME/ALL DO NOT, PROBE:**
   Why is that?

G8. Do you think your children will continue to go to school until they are 16?
   Yes
   No
   Don’t know

   **IF NO OR DON’T KNOW, PROBE:**
   Why not?

**ASK ALL**

G9. Do any adults or teenagers in your family take part in college training or courses at present?
   Yes
   No

   **IF YES PROBE:**
   What training or courses?

   Are they specially designed for Travellers or general?
G10. Would you like to take part in any training or education in the future?

Yes ☐

No ☐

Don’t know ☐

IF YES PROBE:
What would you like to do?

What would make it easier for you to do this?

G11. I’m going to read out a number of things people sometimes need help with. For each, could you tell me whether you would need help and where you might go for it.

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<th>Who might you go to for help</th>
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G12 Have you ever experienced harassment or discrimination from neighbours or other members of the settled community in this area?

Yes ☐

No ☐
IF YES PROBE:
What happened on the occasion you think was most serious?

G13. When you experienced harassment/if you were to experience harassment, did you go to anyone for help?  

   Yes  
   No

IF YES PROBE:  
Who did you go to?

What happened?

Were you happy with the response?

E14. Are there any other issues/concerns that we haven’t talked about that you’d like to mention?

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME
INTRODUCTION
My name is [ ] and I work for Birmingham University. We have been asked by local councils in this area to see what sort of accommodation Gypsies and Travellers need locally. We want to be sure that we understand what Gypsies and Travellers need and want, so we want to talk to a number of people – in houses, on sites and on the roadside – to get a range of views.

Would you be willing to talk to me? It will probably take about 40 minutes. If you agree, I will be writing down your answers but the interview will be completely confidential. We are completely independent of any local council, the police or the DSS. No-one will be identified in any report, and there is no way that anyone will be able to trace any particular answer back to you. If there are any particular questions you don’t want to answer, just say so. So, would you be willing to talk to me now? If it’s awkward now, I could call back later on today.

SCREENING QUESTIONS

S1. Have you already been interviewed for this survey?

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S2. Can I just check, do you live here most of the year, or are you here as a visitor or on a temporary basis?

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INTERVIEW DETAILS

Site : ............................................

Date of interview : .........................  Interviewer : ............................................

Sex of respondent :  Male  Female  Couple  □  □  □
SECTION A : GENERAL ACCOMMODATION NEEDS

I’d like to start by asking whether you think there is sufficient accommodation specifically for Gypsies and Travellers in Leicestershire and Rutland.

A1. Are more permanent caravan sites needed for Gypsies and Travellers in the area, where people can stay as long as they want?

Yes
No
Don’t know

IF NO/DON’T KNOW SKIP TO A5; IF YES ASK

A2. Where should additional sites be provided? PROBE for town/village

A3. Who should provide them? Read out first four and tick all that apply

Local councils
Gypsies and Travellers to rent to others
Gypsies and Travellers for themselves and their families
 Doesn’t matter
Other (specify)
Don’t know

A4. How many plots should permanent sites ideally have?

Up to 5 plots
6 to 10 plots
11 to 15 plots
16 to 20 plots
Over 20 plots
Don’t know
A5. Do you think there is a need for transit sites in Leicestershire and Rutland where Gypsies and Travellers can stay for short periods?  

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

*IF NO/DK SKIP TO B1; IF YES ASK*

A6. Where should transit sites be provided? *(probe for towns/villages and write in)*

A7. What facilities should be provided on such sites? *Read out and tick all that apply*

- Hardstandings
- Water supply
- Mains electricity
- Shared WCs
- Shared baths/showers
- Individual WCs for each plot
- Individual baths/showers
- Refuse collection

A8. How many caravans or trailers should a transit site be designed to take?  

- Up to 5 caravans/trailers
- 6-10 caravans/trailers
- 11-20 caravans/trailers
- 21-30 caravan/trailers
- More than 30 caravan/trailers
- Don't know
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<td><strong>A11.</strong> And should the manager be a Gypsy or Traveller, or someone else?</td>
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<td><strong>A12.</strong> Who do you think would use transit sites if they were provided? <em>(write in)</em></td>
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<td><strong>A13.</strong> Specifically would you, or any of your family or friends, be interested in using transit sites in the Leicestershire and Rutland area if sites were provided?</td>
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*IF NO PROBE : Why not?*
**SECTION B : HOUSEHOLD DETAILS**

Now I’d like to ask a few questions about yourself and your family who live with you.

B1. Can you tell me about all the people who live with you in your immediate family. *PROBE DETAILS SUFFICIENTLY TO COMPLETE GRID. NO NEED TO PRESS FOR NAMES*

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B2. Is there anyone in your family (eg sons or daughters) who is likely to want their own independent accommodation in the next 5 years?

- Yes
- No
- Don’t know

*IF YES, TICK FINAL COLUMN OF GRID ABOVE TO SHOW WHICH FAMILY MEMBER(S). PROBE : In what circumstances?*

*What sort of accommodation will they try to find?*

*Will it be in Leicestershire or Rutland?*

*Will it be difficult to find?*
B3. Is there anyone apart from the people you have told me about who lives with you some of the time/part of the year. If so please give their details:

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B4. Is there any one else who, given the choice, would like to live with you but is not able to at present. If so please give details:

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<th>What type of accommodation do they have now</th>
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B5. Does anyone in your family who lives with you here have a disability or serious long-term illness.

- Yes
- No

**PROBE:**

*Who has problems?*

**What health problems?**
B6. Does anyone in your family who lives with you here have health needs which mean they need special or adapted accommodation?

Yes ☐

No ☐

PROBE:
What sorts of accommodation/adaptations?

Are the needs currently being met?

B7. Do you currently provide care or support for anyone who is not living as part of your immediate family? And does anyone in your immediate family receive care or support from anyone who does not live here with you – I mean other than from a doctor or other professional?

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PROBE:
Who gives/provides support?

What sort of support?

Where do they live?

B8. Do you have any other family/relations living on this site?

Yes ☐

No ☐
B9. And do you have any family/relations living nearby (not on this site)?

Yes [ ]
No [ ]

IF YES
B10. Are they living in . . . READ OUT AND TICK ALL THAT APPLY

A flat or house [ ]
A council caravan site [ ]
Which? write in
On land or a caravan site they own themselves [ ]
Where? write in
A private site owned by someone else [ ]
Where? write in
Roadside stopping place [ ]
Where? write in
Other [ ]
Specify write in

ASK ALL
B11. Does anyone in your family work at present?

Yes [ ]
No [ ]

IF YES AND RESPONDENT IS WILLING TO ANSWER, PROBE FOR:

Which family members?

What sort of work?

Are they employed or self-employed?

Do they work full- or part time?

Are they employed throughout the year?
B12. Would anyone in your family like to work who doesn’t do so at present?

Yes ☐
No ☐
Don’t know ☐

*IF YES PROBE FOR:*

Which family members?

What sort of work?

B13. How easy is it for a Gypsy or a Traveller to find work around here?

Very easy ☐
Easy ☐
Difficult ☐
Very difficult ☐
Don’t know ☐

*IF DIFFICULT OR VERY DIFFICULT, ASK B14; OTHERS GO TO B15*

B14. What are the main barriers/constraints to getting employment? *Write in*

B15. Do you think of yourself as:

Romany/Gypsy ☐
Traveller ☐
English Traveller ☐
Irish Traveller ☐
Scottish Gypsy/Traveller ☐
New Traveller ☐
Showman ☐
Other (specify) ☐
SECTION C : CURRENT ACCOMMODATION

This section is about the site you are living on and your views about it. Can I ask first about the living accommodation you have for your immediate family.

C1. How many mobile homes or caravans/trailers are you living in here? **PROBE to distinguish chalets/mobile homes, touring caravans/trailers and houses/bungalows (permanent construction).**

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C2. Does this (the number of mobile homes/caravans etc) give you enough space for your family’s needs?

- Yes [ ]
- No [ ]

**IF NO ASK C3; IF YES SKIP TO C4**

C3. Would you need more mobile homes/caravans/trailers, or bigger mobile homes/caravans/trailers, or something different to give you enough space for your families needs?

- More caravans [ ]
- Bigger caravans [ ]
- Both more and bigger [ ]
- Something different *(specify)* [ ]

C4. Are any of the following facilities provided for use just by you and your family? **TICK YES OR NO AS APPROPRIATE**

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**IF HAS NO AMENITY UNIT/TOILET BLOCK FOR OWN USE ASK C5 AND C6 THEN SKIP TO C10; IF HAS AMENITY UNIT GO TO C7**
Unauthorised sites

**IF DOES NOT HAVE AMENITY UNIT/TOILET BLOCK FOR OWN USE**

C5. Can you tell me whether you have the use of the following facilities. **PROBE AND RECORD BELOW: How are they provided? (eg in trailer/mobile home/chalet) Are they just for your family or are they shared?**

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C6. How satisfied are you with this provision of facilities?

- Very satisfied [ ]
- Satisfied [ ]
- Dissatisfied [ ]
- Very dissatisfied [ ]

**IF HAS AMENITY UNIT ASK**

C7. Can you tell me what facilities your amenity unit has.

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C8. Are there any facilities missing in the amenity unit that you would like? *PROBE and write in.*

C9. Does the amenity unit give you enough space for your family’s needs?

Yes ☐
No ☐

*IF NO PROBE:*
*Why do you say that?*

*What extra space is needed?*

C10. Thinking now about your *plot*, is this too big, too small or about right for your family’s needs?

Too big ☐
Too small ☐
About right ☐

*IF TOO SMALL PROBE:*
*Why do you say that?*

*What extra space is needed?*

C11. More generally, what do you like most about this *site*? *(write in)*
C12. What do you like least about this site? *write in*

C13. How satisfied are you with the site overall?

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

C14. Is there space on the site for children to play safely?

- Yes
- No

*IF NO*

C15. Would you like space to be provided where children could play safely?

- Yes
- No

*ASK ALL*

C16. Are there work areas on the site?

- Yes
- No

*IF NO*

C17. Would you like work areas to be provided?

- Yes
- No
- Don’t know

*ASK ALL*

C18. And is there any space on site for animal grazing?

- Yes
- No
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**IF NO**

C19. Would you like grazing areas to be provided?

- Yes
- No
- Don’t know

**ASK ALL**

C20. Would you say that this site is too big, too small or about right?

- Too big
- Too small
- About right

C21. How would you rate the site’s location? Is it...? **Read out**

- Good
- Fair
- Poor

C22. How convenient is it for local services that you might need?

**PROBE AND RECORD BELOW: How do you normally get there? Is it easy by public transport?**

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C23. How would you rate the site for its state of repair. Is it . . . ? *Read out*

- Good
- Fair
- Poor

**ASK ALL**

C24. Would you say that the site is underused, or overcrowded, or about right?

- Underused
- Over crowded
- About right

C25. Is it possible for Gypsies and Travellers to visit you here with trailers?

- Yes
- No

**FOR EITHER ANSWER PROBE : How do you feel about that?**

C26. Do you have any concerns about your family’s safety on this site?

- Yes
- No

**IF YES PROBE :**

What concerns?

C27. If you could make one improvement to the site or your plot, what would it be? *(write in)*
C28. If it were possible, would you like this site to be extended to provide additional plots?

   Yes            ☐
   No             ☐

   EITHER ANSWER PROBE: Why do you say that?
SECTION D : HOUSING HISTORY

D1. How long have you lived here?

- Less than 1 month
- 1 month but less than 6 months
- 6 months but less than 1 year
- 1 year but less than 5 years
- 5 years and over

D2. What sort of accommodation did you have before you came here? 
(PROBE to try to establish categories below or write in)

- Permanent caravan site owned by Council
- Permanent caravan site owned by family
- Permanent caravan site privately owned
- Council transit site
- Private transit site
- Roadside (no site/base)
- House/flat
- Other (specify)

D3. Where was that? PROBE FOR TOWN OR VILLAGE write in

D4. How long were you there?

- Less than 1 month
- 1 month but less than 6 months
- 6 months but less than 1 year
- 1 year but less than 5 years
- 5 years and over
D5. When you moved here, was the site already established, or were you involved in setting it up?

- Site already established
- Involved in setting site up
- Other - specify

*IF SITE ALREADY ESTABLISHED ASK D6, THEN SKIP TO D8
IF INVOLVED IN SETTING UP SITE ASK D7*

D6. Why did you move here to this site?

*PROBE for reasons; CHECK
Did you have to leave previous accommodation, eg evicted*

Why did you come to this area, eg for work?

How did you know about this site

Why did you pick this site rather than another

Have you tried to get planning permission for the site? What happened?

Did you use a planning consultant?

*IF INVOLVED IN SETTING SITE UP
D7. Can you tell me a bit about the process of setting the site up?*

*RECORD ANSWER AND THEN PROBE (overleaf):*
Why did you come to this area?

How did you get to know about this land?

Why did you pick this land rather than another

Who did you develop the site with?

Have you tried to get planning permission? What happened?

Did you use a planning consultant?

ASK ALL
D8. Would you say you came here from choice or because other alternatives were not available?

Choice

Lack of alternative

IF LACK OF ALTERNATIVE PROBE: What were you looking for ideally?

D9. Has the local authority taken any action to move you from this site?

Yes

No

DK/No answer
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IF YES skip to D11; if No or DK ask D10
D10. Do you expect them to take action to move you, or will you be able to stay
here?

Expect action to move on  
Will be able to stay  
DK/No answer  

ASK ALL except DK at both D9 and D10

D11. How do you feel about that?  Write in

IF ACTION TAKEN TO MOVE ON OR EXPECT ACTION TO BE TAKEN ask D12;
others skip to D13

D12. Have you thought about where you would go if you had to move from here?
PROBE: What might you do?

D13. Can I just check, are you on a waiting list for a place on permanent caravan
site anywhere in Leicestershire or Rutland?

Yes  
No  
Don’t know  

IF YES PROBE: Which site is this?

Why do you want to move there?
SECTION E: ACCOMMODATION NEEDS AND ASPIRATIONS

E1. Have you ever lived in a house?
   
   Yes [ ]
   No [ ]

IF NO GO TO E6; IF YES ASK E2

E2. Why did you move into a house?  
   PROBE: reasons, eg there with parents, health, for children’s schooling

E3. Did you experience any problems living in a house?
   
   Yes [ ]
   No [ ]

   PROBE: what problems?

E4. Where was the last house you lived in?  (Write in town or village)

E5. Why did you leave the house?  PROBE full reasons

E6. Would you be interested now in moving to a house in this area?
   
   Yes [ ]
   No [ ]

   Don’t know [ ]

   PROBE: Why do you say that?
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**IF YES AT E6; IF NO GO TO E10**

E7. What sort of house would you prefer?

**PROBE AND TICK ALL PREFERENCES**

**Tenure:**
- Rented from a council
- Rented from a housing association
- Rented from a private landlord
- Owner-occupied
- Other (specify)
- Doesn’t matter
- Don’t know

**House type:**
- Bungalow
- House
- Flat
- Other (specify)
- Doesn’t matter
- Don’t know

E8. Where would you prefer the house to be?

**PROBE: nearby towns, villages**

E9. Are you on a waiting list for a council or housing association house anywhere in Leicestershire or Rutland?

- Yes
- No
- Don’t know

**IF YES PROBE: Which authority/housing association is this?**
E10. We’ve talked about various sorts of accommodation that Gypsies and Travellers live in. I’m going to read out seven different sorts of accommodation. I’d like you to say which of these you find most attractive, and which you find least attractive.

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SECTION F : TRAVELLING

Now I’d like to talk about travelling.

F1. How much travelling have you and/or members of your family done in the last 12 months, I mean travelling and living in a caravan or trailer away from this site?

PROBE TO ESTABLISH: total length of time away from site; and number of trips to complete table

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IF DID NOT TRAVEL, ASK F2, THEN SKIP TO F11
ASK ALL

F2. Is this normal, or has it changed over the past few years?

Normal  

Changed  

IF CHANGED PROBE:
In what ways has it change

Why has it changed
F3. In which seasons did you travel over the past 12 months? Tick all that apply

- Spring (for example around Easter
- Summer (June, July, August)
- Autumn (September, October)
- Winter (for example around Christmas)
- Travelled all year

F4. Who did you usually travel with?

- By yourself
- Own immediate family
- Other family members
- Other families
- Other (specify)

F5. What were your main reasons for travelling?

— PROBE: Reasons, eg working, holidays, fairs, visiting relatives, family events, way of life

F6. What sorts of stopping places did you stay on when you were travelling over the past year? (Tick all that apply)

- Permanent caravan sites owned by a council
- Transit sites owned by a council
- Caravan sites owned by a Gypsy or Traveller
- Other caravan sites
- Roadside stopping places – council land
- Roadside stopping places – private land
- Farmer’s fields
- Fields etc provided at fairs
- Other (specify)
F7. Did you have permission to stay on these stopping places?

- Yes
- No
- Sometimes yes, sometimes no

F8. Was it easy or difficult to find places to stop?

- Easy
- Difficult
- Mixed experience

F9. And was it easy or difficult to stay as long as you wanted?

- Easy
- Difficult
- Mixed experience

F10. Were you ever forced to leave a stopping place while you were travelling last year?

- Yes
- No

*IF YES PROBE:*

*What happened?*

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F11. Could you describe how you would like to be able to travel in the future?

*PROBE for views under heading below*

Frequency and duration of travelling

Reasons for travelling

Areas to be visited
F12. I'm going to read out some different sorts of stopping places Gypsies and Travellers can use while travelling. Which would be the most attractive to you? Which would be the least attractive?

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<td>Transit pitches for rent provided by a Gypsy or Traveller</td>
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<td>Holiday caravan sites open to everyone</td>
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<td>Farmers’ fields</td>
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<td>Roadside or informal stopping places you find yourself</td>
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F13. If a network of transit sites were to be developed, would you use them?

- Yes
- No
- Don’t know
SECTION G: HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SUPPORT NEEDS

Finally I’d like to ask you some questions about your family’s health, education and other support needs.

G1. Are you **permanently** registered with a doctor/GP? Is this locally or somewhere else?

- Yes, locally
- Yes, somewhere else
- No

*IF NOT REGISTERED LOCALLY ASK G2; OTHERS GO TO E4*

G2. Are you registered temporarily with a local doctor/GP

- Yes
- No

*IF NO ASK G3; OTHERS GO TO G4*

G3. Have you tried to register locally?

*IF YES PROBE :*

**What happened**

*ASK ALL*

G4. Have you experienced any problems in getting health care for yourself or your family over the last two years in this area?

- Yes
- No

*IF YES PROBE :*

**What were they?**

G5. If there was one improvement you could make to health services locally, what would it be? **Write in**
G6. Can I just check, are there any children of school age in your family?

Yes  
No  

**IF NO GO TO G9; IF YES ASK**

G7. Do your children attend school regularly?

Yes, all  
Yes, some  
No  

**IF SOME/ALL DO NOT, PROBE :**

*Why is that?*

G8. Do you think your children will continue to go to school until they are 16?

Yes  
No  
Don’t know  

**IF NO OR DON’T KNOW, PROBE :**

*Why not?*

**ASK ALL**

G9. Do any adults or teenagers in your family take part in college training or courses at present?

Yes  
No  

**IF YES PROBE :**

*What training or courses?*

*Are they specially designed for Travellers or general?*
G10. Would you like to take part in any training or education in the future?

- Yes
- No
- Don’t know

*IF YES PROBE:*
What would you like to do?

What would make it easier for you to do this?

G11. I’m going to read out a number of things people sometimes need help with. For each, could you tell me whether you would need help and where you might go for it.

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<th>Who might you go to for help</th>
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G12 Have you ever experienced harassment or discrimination from neighbours or other members of the settled community in this area?

- Yes
- No
IF YES PROBE :
What happened on the occasion you think was most serious?

G13. When you experienced harassment/if you were to experience harassment, did you go to anyone for help?

Yes [ ]

No [ ]

IF YES PROBE :
Who did you go to?

What happened?

Were you happy with the response?

E14. Are there any other issues/concerns that we haven’t talked about that you’d like to mention?

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME
ASSESSMENT OF ACCOMMODATION NEEDS OR GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS IN LEICESTER, LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND

BRICKS AND MORTAR HOUSING

INTRODUCTION

My name is [ ] and I work for Birmingham University. We have been asked by local councils in this area to see what sort of accommodation Gypsies and Travellers need locally. We want to be sure that we understand what Gypsies and Travellers need and want, so we want to talk to a number of people – in houses, on sites and on the roadside – to get a range of views.

Would you be willing to talk to me? It will probably take about 30 minutes. If you agree, I will be writing down your answers but the interview will be completely confidential. We are completely independent of any local council, the police or the DSS. No-one will be identified in any report, and there is no way that anyone will be able to trace any particular answer back to you. If there are any particular questions you don’t want to answer, just say so. So, would you be willing to talk to me now? If it’s awkward now, I could call back later on today.

SCREENING QUESTIONS

S1. Have you already been interviewed for this survey?

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S2. Can I just check, do you live here most of the year, or are you here as a visitor or on a temporary basis?

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INTERVIEW DETAILS

Address : ............................................

Date of interview : ............................................

Interviewer : ............................................

Sex of respondent : Male ☐ Female ☐ Couple ☐
SECTION A : GENERAL ACCOMMODATION NEEDS

I’d like to start by asking whether you think there is sufficient accommodation specifically for Gypsies and Travellers in Leicestershire and Rutland.

A1. Are more permanent caravan sites needed for Gypsies and Travellers in the area, where people can stay as long as they want?

   Yes □
   No □
   Don’t know □

IF NO/DON’T KNOW SKIP TO A5; IF YES ASK
A2. Where should additional sites be provided? **PROBE for town/village**

A3. Who should provide them? **Read out first four and tick all that apply**

   Local councils □
   Gypsies and Travellers to rent to others □
   Gypsies and Travellers for themselves and their families □
   Doesn’t matter □
   Other *(specify)* □
   Don’t know □

A4. How many plots should permanent sites ideally have?

   Up to 5 plots □
   6 to 10 plots □
   11 to 15 plots □
   16 to 20 plots □
   Over 20 plots □
   Don’t know □
A5. Do you think there is a need for transit sites in Leicestershire and Rutland where Gypsies and Travellers can stay for short periods?

Yes ❏
No ❏
Don't know ❏

*IF NO/DK SKIP TO B1; IF YES ASK*

A6. Where should transit sites be provided? *(probe for towns/villages and write in)*

A7. What facilities should be provided on such sites? *Read out and tick all that apply*

- Hardstandings ❏
- Water supply ❏
- Mains electricity ❏
- Shared WCs ❏
- Shared baths/showers ❏
- Individual WCs for each plot ❏
- Individual baths/showers ❏
- Refuse collection ❏

A8. How many caravans or trailers should a transit site be designed to take?

- Up to 5 caravans/trailers ❏
- 6-10 caravans/trailers ❏
- 11-20 caravans/trailers ❏
- 21-30 caravan/trailers ❏
- More than 30 caravan/trailers ❏
- Don't know ❏
A9. Should transit sites be provided by councils, by Gypsies and Travellers, or by others?

- Councils
- Gypsies and Travellers
- Other *(specify)*
- Doesn’t matter
- Don’t know

A10. Should the site manager live on the transit site or just visit it each day?

- Should live on site
- Should visit each day
- Doesn’t matter
- Don’t know

A11. And should the manager be a Gypsy or Traveller, or someone else?

- A Gypsy/Traveller
- Someone else
- Doesn’t matter
- Don’t know

A12. Who do you think would use transit sites if they were provided? *(write in)*

A13. Specifically would you, or any of your family or friends, be interested in using transit sites in the Leicestershire and Rutland area if sites were provided?

- Yes
- No
- Don’t know

*IF NO PROBE : Why not?*
SECTION B : HOUSEHOLD DETAILS
Now I’d like to ask a few questions about yourself and your family who live with you.

B1. Can you tell me about all the people who live with you in your immediate family. 
PROBE DETAILS SUFFICIENTLY TO COMPLETE GRID. NO NEED TO PRESS FOR NAMES

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B2. Is there anyone in your family (eg sons or daughters) who is likely to want their own independent accommodation in the next 5 years?

Yes [ ]
No [ ]
Don’t know [ ]

IF YES, TICK FINAL COLUMN OF GRID ABOVE TO SHOW WHICH FAMILY MEMBER(S). PROBE:
In what circumstances?

What sort of accommodation will they try to find?

Will it be in Leicestershire or Rutland?

Will it be difficult to find?
B3. Is there anyone apart from the people you have told me about who lives with you some of the time/part of the year. If so please give their details:

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B4. Is there any one else who, given the choice, would like to live with you but is not able to at present. If so please give details:

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B5. Does anyone in your family who lives with you here have a disability or serious long-term illness.

Yes [ ]

No [ ]

**PROBE:**

*Who has problems?*

*What health problems?*
B6. Does anyone in your family who lives with you here have health needs which mean they need special or adapted accommodation?

Yes [ ]

No [ ]

PROBE:
What sorts of accommodation/adaptations?

Are the needs currently being met?

B7. Do you currently provide care or support for anyone who is not living as part of your immediate family? And does anyone in your immediate family receive care or support from anyone who does not live here with you – I mean other than from a doctor or other professional?

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PROBE:
Who gives/provides support?

What sort of support?

Where do they live?

B8. Do you have any other family/relations living near you here?

Yes [ ]

No [ ]
**IF YES**

B9. Are they living in . . . **READ OUT AND TICK ALL THAT APPLY**

- A flat or house
- A council caravan site
  - Which? **write in**
- On land or a caravan site they own themselves
  - Where? **write in**
- A private site owned by someone else
  - Where? **write in**
- Roadside stopping place
  - Where? **write in**
- Other
  - Specify **write in**

**ASK ALL**

B10. Does anyone in your family work at present?

- Yes
- No

**IF YES AND RESPONDENT IS WILLING TO ANSWER, PROBE FOR :**

Which family members?

What sort of work?

Are they employed or self-employed?

Do they work full- or part time?

Are they employed throughout the year?

B11. Would anyone in your family like to work who doesn’t do so at present?

- Yes
- No
- Don’t know
Housing

IF YES PROBE FOR:
Which family members?

What sort of work?

B12. How easy is it for a Gypsy or a Traveller to find work around here?

- Very easy
- Easy
- Difficult
- Very difficult
- Don’t know

IF DIFFICULT OR VERY DIFFICULT, ASK B13; OTHERS GO TO B14

B13. What are the main barriers/constraints to getting employment? Write in

B14. Do you think of yourself as:

- Romany/Gypsy
- Traveller
- English Traveller
- Irish Traveller
- Scottish Gypsy/Traveller
- New Traveller
- Showman
- Other (specify)
SECTION C : CURRENT ACCOMMODATION

This section is about your current accommodation and your views about it.

C1. How many bedrooms do you have here?

- One
- Two
- Three
- Four or more
- DK/No answer

C2. Does this give you enough space for your family’s needs?

- Yes
- No
- DK/No answer

*Ask or interviewer complete*

C3. Is the accommodation a bungalow, house or flat/maisonette?

- Bungalow
- House
- Flat/maisonette
- DK/No answer

C4. Do you own the house/flat or rent it?  *If rent PROBE who from*

- Owner-occupier
- Council tenant
- RSL/HA tenant
- Private tenant
- Other *(specify)*
- DK/No answer
C5. How satisfied are you with the house/flat overall?

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied
- DK/No answer

C6. How would you rate the house/flat for its condition? Is it . . . Read out

- Good
- Fair
- Poor

C7. How would you rate your house’s/flat’s location? Is it . . .? Read out

- Good
- Fair
- Poor

C8. How convenient is it for local services that you might need?

*PROBE AND RECORD BELOW: How do you normally get there? Is it easy by public transport?*

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FOR RENTERS ONLY
C9. How would you rate the way your home is managed?
   Good [ ]
   Fair [ ]
   Poor [ ]

ASK ALL
C10. Is it possible for Gypsies and Travellers with trailers to visit you here?
   Yes [ ]
   No [ ]
   DK/No answer [ ]

PROBE: How do you feel about that?

C11. How satisfied are you overall with the estate/neighbourhood overall?
   Very satisfied [ ]
   Satisfied [ ]
   Dissatisfied [ ]
   Very dissatisfied [ ]
   DK/No answer [ ]

C12. What are the good things about living here?
PROBE for things to do with house/flat; estate or neighbourhood; neighbours/other people; location

C13. And are there any bad things about living here?
PROBE for things to do with house/flat; estate or neighbourhood; neighbours/other people; location
C14. Is there somewhere for children to play safely?

Yes

No

DK/No answer

C15. Do you have any concerns about your family's safety here?

Yes

No

*IF YES PROBE:*

*What concerns?*

*ASK ONLY IF NOT MENTIONED AS A SPECIFIC CONCERN*

C16. Is there somewhere for children to play safely?

Yes

No

DK/No answer

C17. If you could make one improvement to your house/flat or the estate, what would it be? *Write in*
SECTION D : HOUSING HISTORY

D1. How long have you lived here?

- Less than 1 month
- 1 month but less than 6 months
- 6 months but less than 1 year
- 1 year but less than 5 years
- 5 years and over

D2. What sort of accommodation did you have before you came here? (PROBE to try to establish categories below or write in)

- Permanent caravan site owned by Council
- Permanent caravan site owned by family
- Permanent caravan site privately owned
- Council transit site
- Private transit site
- Roadside (no site/base)
- House/flat
- Other (specify)

D3. Where was that? PROBE FOR TOWN OR VILLAGE write in

D4. How long were you there?

- Less than 1 month
- 1 month but less than 6 months
- 6 months but less than 1 year
- 1 year but less than 5 years
- 5 years and over
Housing

D5. Why did you leave there/move here?

*(PROBE for reasons; CHECK Did you have to leave previous accommodation, eg evicted)*

*Why did you come to this area, eg for work?*

*How did you know about this house/flat*

*Why did you pick this house/flat*

D6. Would you say you came here from choice or because other alternatives were not available?

Choice [ ]

Lack of alternative [ ]

*IF LACK OF ALTERNATIVE PROBE : What were you looking for ideally?*
D7. Have you ever had a plot on a permanent caravan site owned either by a council or a private owner (not your own family)? ***Tick all that apply***

- Yes – council site
- Yes – private site
- No

*IF NO GO TO D12; IF YES ASK*

D8. Why did you move onto a permanent caravan site?  
**PROBE: reasons, eg there with parents, health, for children’s schooling**

D9. Did you experience any problems living on a permanent caravan site?

- Yes
- No

**PROBE: what problems?**

D10. Where was the last permanent caravan site you lived on?

D11. Why did you leave that last permanent caravan site? **PROBE full reasons**
ASK ALL
D12. Have you ever lived on land owned by you or your family?

Yes

No

IF NO GO TO SECTION E; IF YES ASK
D13. Where was that? (Write in town or village)

D14. Why did you leave there? PROBE full reasons
SECTION E: ACCOMMODATION NEEDS AND ASPIRATIONS

E1. Do you think that you will move from this house/flat in the next year, or the next three years, or the next five years?

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IF YES TO ANY PART PROBE FOR:
Reasons for moving

E2. Would you be interested in moving to another house in this area?

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IF YES AT E2; IF NO GO TO E6

E3. What sort of house would you prefer?

PROBE AND TICK ALL PREFERENCES

Tenure:
- Rented from a council
- Rented from a housing association
- Rented from a private landlord
- Owner-occupied
- Other (specify)
- Doesn’t matter
- Don’t know

House type:
- Bungalow
- House
- Flat
- Other (specify)
- Doesn’t matter
- Don’t know

E4. Where would you prefer the house to be?

PROBE: nearby towns, villages
E5. Are you on a waiting list or a transfer list for a council or housing association house anywhere in Leicestershire or Rutland?

Yes ☐
No ☐
Don't know ☐

**IF YES PROBE : Which authority/housing association is this?**

ASK ALL

E6. Would you be interested in moving to a rented pitch on a permanent caravan site in this area now?

Yes ☐
No ☐
Don't know ☐

**PROBE : why do you say that?**

**IF YES CONTINUE; IF NO GO TO E11**

E7. What sort of residential site would you prefer?

Owned by a council ☐
Owned by another Traveller ☐
Other (specify) ☐

E8. How many other families would you want to share with on a long-stay residential site?

No other family ☐
Up to 5 families ☐
6-10 families ☐
11-20 families ☐
Over 20 families ☐
Don't know ☐
E9. Where would you prefer the site to be?

PROBE: nearby towns, villages

E10. Are you on a waiting list for a place on a permanent caravan site anywhere in Leicestershire or Rutland?

Yes ☐
No ☐
Don't know ☐

IF YES PROBE: Which site is this?

ASK ALL

E11. And can I just check, would you like to develop a site of your own?

Yes ☐
No ☐

IF YES CONTINUE; IF NO GO TO E13

E12. Thinking about the option of developing your own site:

a) Who would you like to develop it with? PROBE for

Own immediate family only ☐
Other family members ☐
Other people ☐
Don't know ☐

b) Can you afford to buy land for a site of your own?

Yes ☐
No ☐
Don't know ☐
c) Where would you like to develop a site of your own? **PROBE FOR TOWN OR VILLAGE (write in)**

d) How many pitches would you like it to have? **Write in**

e) Would you like to have some space to accommodate visitors?
   - Yes
   - No

f) Do you think you would get planning permission for such a site?
   - Yes
   - No
   - Don’t know

g) Would you like help in finding land to build a site?
   - Yes
   - No

E13. We've talked about various sorts of accommodation that Gypsies and Travellers live in. I'm going to read out seven different sorts of accommodation. I'd like you to say which of these you find most attractive, and which you find least attractive.

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SECTION F: TRAVELLING

Now I’d like to talk about travelling.

F1. How much travelling have you and/or members of your family done in the last 12 months, I mean travelling and living in a caravan or trailer away from this site?

PROBE TO ESTABLISH: total length of time away from home; and number of trips to complete table

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IF DID NOT TRAVEL, ASK F2, THEN SKIP TO F11
ASK ALL

F2. Is this normal, or has it changed over the past few years?

Normal

Changed

IF CHANGED PROBE:
In what ways has it change?

Why has it changed
F3. In which seasons did you travel over the past 12 months? Tick all that apply

- Spring (for example around Easter)
- Summer (June, July, August)
- Autumn (September, October)
- Winter (for example around Christmas)
- Travelled all year

F4. Who did you usually travel with?

- By yourself
- Own immediate family
- Other family members
- Other families
- Other (specify)

F5. What were your main reasons for travelling?

PROBE: Reasons, eg working, holidays, fairs, visiting relatives, family events, way of life

F6. What sorts of stopping places did you stay on when you were travelling over the past year? (Tick all that apply)

- Permanent caravan sites owned by a council
- Transit sites owned by a council
- Caravan sites owned by a Gypsy or Traveller
- Other caravan sites
- Roadside stopping places – council land
- Roadside stopping places – private land
- Farmer’s fields
- Fields etc provided at fairs
- Other (specify)
F7. Did you have permission to stay on these stopping places?

Yes   ☐
No    ☐
Sometimes yes, sometimes no ☐

F8. Was it easy or difficult to find places to stop?

Easy   ☐
Difficult ☐
Mixed experience ☐

F9. And was it easy or difficult to stay as long as you wanted?

Easy   ☐
Difficult ☐
Mixed experience ☐

F10. Were you ever forced to leave a stopping place while you were travelling last year?

Yes   ☐
No    ☐

*IF YES PROBE:*

*What happened?*

F11. Could you describe how you would like to be able to travel in the future?

*PROBE for views under heading below*

Frequency and duration of travelling

Reasons for travelling

Areas to be visited
F12. I'm going to read out some different sorts of stopping places Gypsies and Travellers can use while travelling. Which would be the most attractive to you? Which would be the least attractive?

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F13. If a network of transit sites were to be developed, would you use them?

- Yes  
- No  
- Don’t know
SECTION G: HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SUPPORT NEEDS

Finally I’d like to ask you some questions about your family’s health, education and other support needs.

G1. Are you permanently registered with a doctor/GP? Is this locally or somewhere else?

Yes, locally
Yes, somewhere else
No

*IF NOT REGISTERED LOCALLY ASK G2; OTHERS GO TO E4*

G2. Are you registered temporarily with a local doctor/GP

Yes
No

*IF NO ASK G3; OTHERS GO TO G4*

G3. Have you tried to register locally?

*IF YES PROBE :
What happened*

*ASK ALL*

G4. Have you experienced any problems in getting health care for yourself or your family over the last two years in this area?

Yes
No

*IF YES PROBE :
What were they?*

G5. If there was one improvement you could make to health services locally, what would it be?  *Write in*
G6. Can I just check, are there any children of school age in your family?

Yes □

No □

IF NO GO TO G9; IF YES ASK

G7. Do your children attend school regularly?

Yes, all □

Yes, some □

No □

IF SOME/ALL DO NOT, PROBE:

Why is that?

G8. Do you think your children will continue to go to school until they are 16?

Yes □

No □

Don't know □

IF NO OR DON'T KNOW, PROBE:

Why not?

ASK ALL

G9. Do any adults or teenagers in your family take part in college training or courses at present?

Yes □

No □

IF YES PROBE:

What training or courses?

Are they specially designed for Travellers or general?
G10. Would you like to take part in any training or education in the future?

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*IF YES PROBE:*

What would you like to do?

What would make it easier for you to do this?

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G11. I’m going to read out a number of things people sometimes need help with. For each, could you tell me whether you would need help and where you might go for it.

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G12. Have you ever experienced harassment or discrimination from neighbours or other members of the settled community in this area?

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IF YES PROBE:
What happened on the occasion you think was most serious?

G13. When you experienced harassment/if you were to experience harassment, did you go to anyone for help?

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IF YES PROBE:
Who did you go to?

What happened?

Were you happy with the response?

E14. Are there any other issues/concerns that we haven’t talked about that you’d like to mention?

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME
ASSESSMENT OF ACCOMMODATION NEEDS OF GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS IN LEICESTER, LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND

ROADSIDE/TRANSIT/TEMPORARILY IN AREA

INTRODUCTION

My name is [   ] and I am working on behalf of Birmingham University. We have been asked by local councils in this area to see what sort of accommodation Gypsies and Travellers need locally. We want to be sure that we understand what Gypsies and Travellers need and want, so we would like to talk to a number of people – in houses, on sites and on the roadside – to get a range of views.

Would you be willing to talk to me? It will probably take about 30 minutes. If you agree, I will be writing down your answers but the interview will be completely confidential. We are completely independent of any local council, the police or the DSS. No-one will be identified in any report, and there is no way that anyone will be able to trace any answer back to you. If there are any particular questions you don’t want to answer, just say so.

Would you be willing to talk to me now? If it’s awkward now, I could call back later on today.

SCREENING QUESTIONS

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ASK S2 UNLESS OBVIOUS UNAUTHORISED ENCAMPMENT

S2. Can I just check, is this your permanent base or somewhere you are stopping for a short period?

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INTERVIEW DETAILS

Location : ............................................

Date of interview : ............................................

Interviewer : ............................................

Sex of respondent : Male ☐  Female ☐  Couple ☐
SECTION A : CURRENT ACCOMMODATION

This section is about where you are living at present and your views about it.

A1. Overall, how would you rate this as a place to stop?

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A2. What do you like most about this as a place to stop? **Write in**

A3. What do you like least about it as a place to stop? **Write in**

A4. How do you manage here for the following. **Read out and PROBE:**

*Where do you get it?*

*Is that satisfactory?*

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A5. Is there somewhere for children to play safely?

Yes ☐
No ☐

A6. Do you have any concerns about your family’s safety on this stopping place?

Yes ☐
No ☐

PROBE: What concerns?

A7. How convenient is this stopping place for local services that you might need?

PROBE AND RECORD BELOW: How do you normally get there? Is it easy by public transport?

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A8. How many caravans or trailers are you living in here (immediate family)?
PROBE to distinguish caravans/trailers and camper vans. Enter number.

Caravans/trailers  
Camper vans  

A9. Does the caravans give you enough space for your family’s needs?

Yes  
No  

IF NO ASK A10; IF YES SKIP TO A11

A10. Would you need more caravans/trailers or bigger caravans/trailers or something different to give you enough space for your families needs?

More caravans  
Bigger caravans  
Both more and bigger  
Something different *(specify)*  

A11. How long have you been here on this stopping place?

Less than 1 week  
1 week but less than 1 month  
1 month but less than 2 months  
2 months but less than 3 months  
3 months and over  

A12. And how long have you been in this general area (Leicestershire and Rutland)?

Less than 1 week  
1 week but less than 1 month  
1 month but less than 2 months  
2 months but less than 3 months  
3 months but less than 1 year  
1 year and more  

A13. What further time are you staying in this area?

1 week
2 weeks
About 1 month
About 2 months
More than 2 months
As long as possible
Don't know

A14. What are your main reasons for being in this area?

PROBE: Reasons, eg local to the area, work, holiday, family event, passing through

A15. Where will you travel to when you leave here? Write in

A16. Are you likely to want to stay in this area again in the future?

Yes
No
Don't know
A17. Do you have other accommodation somewhere else?

Yes [ ]
No [ ]

IF NO SKIP TO B1; IF YES ASK A18

A18. What type of other accommodation do you have?

Site owned by you or your family [ ]
Place on a council site [ ]
Place of a site owned by another Gypsy/Traveller [ ]
House/bungalow rented from council or housing association [ ]
House or bungalow you own yourself [ ]
Other (*please specify*) [ ]

A19. Where is the other accommodation? *(write in)*
SECTION B : TRAVELLING

Now I’d like to talk about travelling in general.

B1. How much travelling have you and/or members of your family done in the last 12 months, I mean travelling and living in a caravan or trailer?

- Travelled less than 1 month
- Travelled 1 month but less than 3 months
- Travelled 3 months but less than 6 months
- Travelled 6 months but less than 10 months
- Travelled all year

B2. Is this normal, or has it changed over the past few years?

- Normal
- Changed

_If changed, probe:_
_In what ways has it changed?_

_Why has it changed?_

B3. In which seasons did you travel over the past 12 months? _Tick all that apply_

- Spring (for example around Easter)
- Summer (June, July, August)
- Autumn (September, October)
- Winter (for example around Christmas)
- Travelled all year
B4. Who did you usually travel with?  *Tick all that apply*

- By yourself
- Own household
- Other family members
- Other families
- Other (specify)

B5. What were your main reasons for travelling?  
*PROBE: Reasons, eg working, holidays, fairs, visiting relatives, family events, way of life*

B6. What sorts of stopping places did you stay on when you were travelling over the past year?  *(tick all that apply)*

- Permanent caravan sites owned by a council
- Transit sites owned by a council
- Caravan sites owned by a Gypsy or Traveller
- Other caravan sites
- Roadside stopping places – council land
- Roadside stopping places – private land
- Farmer’s fields
- Fields etc provided at fairs
- Other (specify)
B7. Did you have permission to stay on these stopping places?

Yes         
No          
Sometimes yes, sometimes no

B8. Was it easy or difficult to find places to stop?

Easy          
Difficult     
Mixed experience

B9. And was it easy or difficult to stay as long as you wanted?

Easy          
Difficult     
Mixed experience

B10. Were you ever forced to leave a stopping place while you were travelling last year?

Yes          
No           

IF YES PROBE:
What happened?

B11. Which sorts of stopping places do you most like to use?  PROBE:
Which sort do you like best?

Why is that?
B12. If a network of transit sites were to be developed, would you use them?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

B13. Specifically, would you be interested in using transit sites in the Leicestershire and Rutland area if sites were provided?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

*IF NO PROBE: Why not? THEN SKIP TO B23*

*IF YES AT B13*

B14. Where should transit sites be provided in the area? *PROBE for towns or villages*

B15. What facilities should be provided on such sites? *Tick all that apply*

- Hardstandings
- Water supply
- Mains electricity
- Shared WCs
- Shared baths/showers
- Individual WCs for each plot
- Individual baths/showers
- Refuse collection
- Don't know
B16. Would you prefer transit sites to be provided by councils, by Gypsies and Travellers, or by others?

- Council  
- Gypsies and Travellers  
- Other  
- Doesn’t matter  
- Don’t know

B17. Should the site manager live on the transit site or just visit it each day?

- Should live on site  
- Should visit each day  
- Doesn’t matter  
- Don’t know

B18. And should the manager be a Gypsy or Traveller, or someone else?

- A Gypsy/Traveller  
- Someone else  
- Doesn’t matter  
- Don’t know

B19. Would you share a transit site with other family groups?

- Yes  
- No  
- Don’t know

B20. How many caravans or trailers should a transit site be designed to take?

- Up to 5 caravans/trailers  
- 6-10 caravans/trailers  
- 11-20 caravans/trailers  
- 21-30 caravan/trailers  
- More than 30 caravan/trailers  
- Don’t know
B21. How long would you like to be able to stop on a transit site in the area?

- Up to 2 weeks
- Up to 4 weeks
- Up to 8 weeks
- Up to 3 months
- As long as possible
- Don't know

**IF WOULD LIKE TO STOP UP TO 2 OR 4 WEEKS ASK B22; OTHERS TO B23**

B22. Might you want to use transit sites in Leicestershire or Rutland more than once in a year?

- Yes, more than once a year
- No, not more than once a year
- Don't know/all depends

**ASK ALL**

B23. Thinking about your ideal pattern of travelling, would you prefer to travel throughout the year or would you prefer to spend more time in one place?

- Travel throughout year
- More time in one place
- Don't know

**IF PREFER MORE TIME IN ONE PLACE ASK B24; OTHERS TO SECTION C**

B24. Would you still want to travel for a period in the year?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

**IF YES PROBE:**

- How long would you travel for?

- Main reasons for travelling?
SECTION C : PAST AND FUTURE ACCOMMODATION

Now I’d like to ask you a bit about some of the places you have lived in the past and where you would like to live in the future.

C1. Have you ever lived in a house?

   Yes

   No

*IF NO GO TO C6; IF YES ASK*

C2. Why did you move into a house?  
*PROBE: reasons, eg there with parents, health, for children’s schooling*

C3. Did you experience any problems living in a house?

   Yes

   No

*PROBE: what problems?*

C4. Where was the last house you lived in?  *(Write in town or village)*

C5. Why did you leave that house?  *PROBE full reasons*
C6. Would you be interested in moving to a house in this area now?

Yes
No
Don’t know

PROBE: Why do you say that?

IF YES AT C6; IF NO GO TO C10

C7. What sort of house would you prefer?

PROBE AND TICK ALL PREFERENCES

Tenure:

- Rented from a council
- Rented from a housing association
- Rented from a private landlord
- Owner-occupied
- Other (specify)
- Doesn’t matter
- Don’t know

House type:

- Bungalow
- House
- Flat
- Other (specify)
- Doesn’t matter
- Don’t know

C8. Where would you prefer the house to be?

PROBE: nearby towns, villages

C9. Are you on a waiting list for a council or housing association house anywhere in Leicestershire or Rutland?

Yes
No
Don’t know

IF YES PROBE: Which authority/housing association is this?
ASK ALL
C10. Have you ever had a plot on a permanent caravan site owned either by a council or a private owner (not your own family)? Tick all that apply

Yes – council site
Yes – private site
No

IF NO GO TO C15; IF YES ASK
C11. Why did you move onto a permanent caravan site? PROBE: reasons, eg there with parents, health, for children’s schooling

C12. Did you experience any problems living on a permanent caravan site?

Yes
No

PROBE : what problems?

C13. Where was the last permanent caravan site you lived on?

C14. Why did you leave that last permanent caravan site? PROBE full reasons

C15. Would you be interested in moving to a rented pitch on a permanent caravan site in this area now?

Yes
No
Don’t know

PROBE : why do you say that?
IF YES CONTINUE; IF NO GO TO C20
C16. What sort of residential site would you prefer?

- Owned by a council
- Owned by another Traveller
- Other (specify)

C17. How many other families would you want to share with on a long-stay residential site?

- No other family
- Up to 5 families
- 6-10 families
- 11-20 families
- Over 20 families
- Don’t know

C18. Where would you prefer the site to be?

PROBE: nearby towns, villages

C19. Are you on a waiting list for a place on a permanent caravan site anywhere in Leicestershire or Rutland?

- Yes
- No
- Don’t know

IF YES PROBE: Which site is this?

ASK ALL
C20. Have you ever lived on land owned by you or your family?

- Yes
- No

IF NO GO TO C23; IF YES ASK

C21. Where was that? (Write in town or village)
C22. Why did you leave there? **PROBE full reasons**

C23. Would you like to develop a Gypsy-Traveller caravan site of your own for you and your family?

- Yes
- No

**IF YES CONTINUE; IF NO GO TO SECTION D**

C24. Thinking about the option of developing your own site:

a) Who would you like to develop it with? **PROBE for**

- Own immediate family only
- Other family members
- Other people
- Don't know

b) Can you afford to develop a site of your own?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

c) Where would you like to develop a site of your own? **Write in**

d) How many pitches would you like it to have? **Write in**

e) Would you like to have some space to accommodate visitors?

- Yes
- No
f) Do you think you would get planning permission for such a site?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

g) Would you like help in finding land to build a site?

- Yes
- No
## SECTION D : HOUSEHOLD DETAILS

I’d like to ask a few questions about yourself and your family who live with you.

D1. Can you tell me about all the people who live with you in your immediate family. **PROBE DETAILS SUFFICIENTLY TO COMPLETE GRID. NO NEED TO PRESS FOR NAMES**

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D2. Is there anyone in your family (eg sons or daughters) who is likely to want their own independent accommodation in the next 5 years?

- Yes
- No
- Don’t know

**IF YES, TICK FINAL COLUMN OF GRID ABOVE TO SHOW WHICH FAMILY MEMBER(S). PROBE :**

In what circumstances?

What sort of accommodation will they try to find?

Will it be in Leicestershire or Rutland?

Will it be difficult to find?
D3. Does anyone in your family have a disability or serious long-term illness.

- Yes
- No

**PROBE:**
*Who has problems?*

**What sort of health problems?**

D4. Does anyone in your family have health needs which mean they need special or adapted accommodation?

- Yes
- No

**PROBE:**
*What sorts of accommodation/adaptations?*

**Are the needs currently being met?**

D5. Do you currently provide care or support for anyone not living as part of your immediate family? And does anyone in your family receive care or support from anyone not in your family – not including a doctor or other professional?

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**PROBE:** *Who gives/provides support?*

**What sort of support?**

**Where do they live?**
D6. Do you have any other family/relations living around here?

Yes ☐
No ☐

IF YES
D7. Are they living in . . . READ OUT AND TICK ALL THAT APPLY

- A flat or house ☐
- A council site ☐
  Which? write in
- On land or a caravan site they own themselves ☐
  Where? write in
- A private site owned by someone else ☐
  Where? write in
- Roadside stopping place ☐
  Where? write in
- Other ☐
  Specify write in

ASK ALL
D8. Does anyone in your family work at present?

Yes ☐
No ☐

IF YES AND RESPONDENT IS WILLING TO ANSWER, PROBE FOR:

Which family members?

What sort of work?

Are they employed or self-employed?

Do they work full- or part time?

Are they employed throughout the year?
D9. Would anyone in your family like to work who doesn’t do so at present?

Yes
No
Don't know

IF YES PROBE FOR:
Which family members?

What sort of work?

D10. How easy is it for a Gypsy or a Traveller to find work around here?

Very easy
Easy
Difficult
Very difficult
Don't know

IF DIFFICULT OR VERY DIFFICULT, ASK D11; OTHERS GO TO D12
D11. What are the main barriers/constraints to getting employment? Write in

D12. Do you think of yourself as:

Romany/Gypsy
Traveller
English Traveller
Irish Traveller
Scottish Gypsy/Traveller
New Traveller
Showman
Other (specify)
SECTION E : HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SUPPORT NEEDS

Finally I’d like to ask you some questions about your family’s health, education and other support needs.

E1. Has anyone from the council visited you here to establish what your needs are?

Yes ☐
No ☐
Don’t know ☐

E2. And have they offered you any support or help with your needs?

Yes ☐
No ☐
Don’t know ☐

E3. Are you permanently registered with a doctor/GP? Is this locally or somewhere else?

Yes, locally ☐
Yes, somewhere else ☐
No ☐

IF NOT REGISTERED LOCALLY ASK E4; OTHERS GO TO E6

E4. Are you registered temporarily with a local doctor/GP

Yes ☐
No ☐

IF NO ASK E5; OTHERS GO TO E6

E5. Have you tried to register locally?

IF YES PROBE :
What happened
ASK ALL
E6. Have you experienced any problems in getting health care for yourself or your family over the last two years in this area?

Yes ☐
No ☐

IF YES PROBE:
What were they?

E7. If there was one improvement you could make to health services locally, what would it be? Write in

E8. Can I just check, are there any children of school age in your family?

Yes ☐
No ☐

IF NO GO TO E10; IF YES ASK
E9. Do your children attend school regularly?

Yes, all ☐
Yes, some ☐
No ☐

IF SOME/ALL DO NOT, PROBE:
Why is that?
E10. Do you think your children will continue to go to school until they are 16?

Yes
No
Don’t know

*IF NO OR DON’T KNOW, PROBE:*

*Why not?*

*ASK ALL*

E11. Do any adults or teenagers in your family take part in college training or courses at present?

Yes
No

*IF YES PROBE:*

*What training or courses?*

*Are they specially designed for Travellers or general?*

E12. Would you like to take part in any training or education in the future?

Yes
No
Don’t know

*IF YES PROBE:*

*What would you like to do?*
What would make it easier for you to do this?

E13. I’m going to read out a number of things people sometimes need help with. For each, could you tell me whether you would need help and where you might go for it.

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E14 Have you ever experienced harassment or discrimination from neighbours or other members of the settled community in this area?

Yes [ ]
No [ ]

IF YES PROBE:

What happened on the occasion you think was most serious?

E15. When you experienced harassment/if you were to experience harassment, did you go to anyone for help?

Yes [ ]
No [ ]
IF YES PROBE:
Who did you go to?

What happened?

Were you happy with the response?

E16. Are there any other issues/concerns that we haven’t talked about that you’d like to mention?

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME
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SEMI-STRUCTURED INTERVIEW GUIDE FOR
TRAVELLING SHOWPEOPLE

Introduction

- Introduce self

- Carrying out work on behalf of local authorities in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland to assess the accommodation needs of people who follow a nomadic lifestyle. Including Travelling Showmen and hope you will be willing to help.

- Questions will relate as far as possible to this site and the people who use it.

- All answers will be confidential and will not be passed on or reported in such a way as to identify individual answers.

- Will take about 30-40 minutes.

Background

- Very general background to occupations SELF
  - sort of fair/circus etc

  - areas travelled

  - period of year active

- Very general background to occupations of PEOPLE ON SITE
  - sort of fair/circus etc

  - areas travelled

  - period of year active
The Site
Can we talk first about this site.

Were you involved in its development? or know about it?

IF YES
• Site development
  - how long ago?
  - who developed it?
  - was it straightforward (explore issues)?
  - why was it developed here?

IF NO
• Coming to the site
  - how did you know about it?
  - why moved here?
  - process of buying/getting pitch?
ALL
- Site ownership
  - are pitches/yards rented/leased/owner-occupied?
  - are there any issues around that?

- General design and facilities
  - what activities are catered for? PROBE residential, equipment storage, equipment repair, other??
  - how are these organised? PROBE specially demarcated areas within site, within pitches, other??
  - what site facilities are provided? PROBE water, electricity, sewerage, rubbish storage/collection, workshops, other??

- Residential provision
  - number of residential pitches

- Own pitch/yards
  - description of what they have – size and organisation of pitch
  - provision for WC, bath/shower, cooking, laundry, general eating/sitting space
  - adequacy in terms of size and amenities
  - are other pitches/yards broadly similar?
• Assessment of site
  - does the site work well overall?

  - good things

  - bad things

  - improvements wanted

  - any issues over location/access to services?
The People

Can we talk a bit about the people who use the site

AS MUCH GENERAL INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE

- Who uses the site
  - how many families
  - how many adults
  - how many children
  - inter-relationships?

- Pattern of use of site for residence
  - is the site used throughout the year?
  - pattern of use over time – how many people at different times of the year
  - reasons for pattern of use over time
  - is this likely to change in future, eg more people there throughout year?
PERSONAL CIRCUMSTANCES

Complete grid for people occupying pitch/yard

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- Normal period each individual ‘lives’ here
  - why?

- will it change?
Use of Local Services

• Which local services are used in the Study Area PROBE health, education, other?

• Any issues around local health services
  - location of services used
  - ease of access
  - quality of service
  - other comments

• Any issues around local education services
  - which schools are used
  - ease of access
  - quality of service
  - other comments
Current and Future Accommodation Needs of the Group

SITE OWNER/SPOKESPERSON

• Recent family growth
  - have new families formed over the past few years – how many?
  - do new families use the site or have they moved away – how many?
  - if moved away, was this by choice?

• Future family growth
  - how many new families likely to form over next 5 years
  - where will they find accommodation
  - will they want to use this site – under what circumstances
  - any issues around this
PERSONAL NEEDS

- Is anyone living here with you likely to want independent accommodation over the next 5 years?
  - in what circumstances?
  - what sort of accommodation will they try to find?
  - will it be in Leicestershire or Rutland?
  - will it be difficult to find?

- Any special health needs affecting accommodation?
  - who?
  - what sort and effects?

- Will you move base in the next 5 years?
  - reasons?
  - what sort of accommodation will you look for? (sort/tenure)
  - where will it be (in Leics/Rutland)?
  - will it be easy to find? any help needed?
Accommodation Needs of Showmen More Generally

- Are more sites needed for Travelling Showmen
  - in the Study Area – how many places? where?
  - nationally

- Constraints
  - what are the main constraints on provision of more sites
  - any idea for overcoming them

- Locational and design criteria
  - how much land is needed for a successful site?
  - how many pitches/yards
  - ideal tenure
  - on-site facilities
  - what is needed locationally? PROBE level land, good road access, proximity to services, other?