

## **Housing and Community Safety Select Committee**

### **Traveller Transit Site Selection**

#### **Chair's Update to Executive Scrutiny Committee – 15 January 2008**

##### **Update on Progress (including issues/problems/successes)**

At a meeting on 13 December Committee received evidence from Margaret Reynolds from the Traveller Education Service. During this the Committee became aware that sites smaller than those that were being considered may be more suitable and attractive for Travellers.

The Committee considered a report and agreed a shortlist of 4 potential sites, but following the information received from Mrs Reynolds it was decided to look again at available sites with a view to considering smaller sites also.

On 20 December, a site visit to the 4 short listed sites plus 6 smaller, newly identified sites took place. Following discussion at Committee, Bowesfield Pumping Station was chosen as the preferred option for consultation.

##### **Timescale for Review**

The Traveller Transit Site Selection review has commenced and the terms of reference of the Cabinet referral necessitate reporting to Cabinet on 14 February.

##### **Monitoring**

There are no upcoming monitoring reports due for this Committee.