APPENDIX 3 Criteria Based Policy for the Local Plan

Policy CP5 of the Core Strategy to be taken forward in the Local Plan

CP5 Gypsy and Traveller Provision

When allocating sites or considering planning applications for sites for Gypsies and Travellers or Travelling Showpeople, a criteria based approach will be used. The following criteria will be taken into account:

- a) Avoid areas at risk from flooding
- b) Avoid causing an adverse impact on areas of recognised wildlife, heritage or landscape importance, and on the openness of the Green Belt
- c) Be in or near existing settlements with access by foot and/ or public transport to local services, including shops, schools and healthcare
- d) Be well located to the highway network, with safe and convenient vehicular and pedestrian access to the site
- e) Provide adequate on-site facilities for parking, storage, play and residential amenity
- f) Provide adequate levels of privacy and residential amenities for occupiers and not be detrimental to the amenities of adjacent occupiers
- g) The circumstances of the applicant and their need for pitches on the application site.