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Dear Inspectors

**Babergh and Mid Suffolk Joint Local Plan Examination – Matter 2 – Gypsy and Traveller, and Travelling Showpeople Provision and Boat Dwellers**

Further to the Babergh and Mid Suffolk Joint Local Plan Matter 2 Hearing Session – Housing for Gypsies, Travellers, Travelling Showpeople and Boat Dwellers on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2021, and our letter dated 30<sup>th</sup> July 2021 ([Document G05](#)), the Councils have produced an addendum ([Document H33](#)) to its technical note regarding Gypsy and Traveller provision ([Document H12](#)).

The addendum addresses the point raised by Mr Hargreaves at the Hearing Session about sites not occupied by Gypsies or Travellers. As shown in the addendum, the supply of Gypsy and Traveller pitches is 85 and not 88 as was stated through monitoring undertaken in January 2020. Of these 85 pitches, our survey indicates that 52 appear to be occupied by non-Gypsies or Travellers or are intended to be occupied in that manner. Mid Suffolk District Council is commencing an enforcement investigation to establish whether breaches of planning control are expedient to act upon.

Ipswich Borough Council has also now signed the Statement of Common Ground regarding the houseboat area at Pin Mill, Chelmondiston ([Document H34](#)).

We trust you find this to be in order.



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