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Dear Sir

RE: Newark Town Council's updated response to Matter 5

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on Newark Town Council's (Representor 003/078) updated position statement in relation to Matter 5 Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation.

Taking the elements of the Town Council's statement in turn:

1. The District Council welcomes the Town Council support for the Gypsy Traveller Accommodation Assessment (GRT1).
2. The District Council welcomes the Town Council's qualified support for Tolney Lane being utilised as a location for accommodating a large proportion of the pitch requirements required during the life of the amended plan. In terms of the Tolney Lane Flood Alleviation Scheme, this is something that the District Council is strongly committed to delivering. In order to support the place of the scheme within the approach towards Tolney Lane a robust and proportionate evidence base has been brought together. This has developed the scheme up to an appropriate of detail, which allows for the making of site allocations in this location with confidence. Evidence base document GRT5 'Tolney Lane Flood Alleviation Study' outlines the process followed, the current design of the scheme, proportionate and robust modelling to demonstrate the emerging schemes effectiveness in flood risk terms and a proposed approach for its physical delivery. The process followed is also summarised within evidence base document GRT12 'GRT Background Paper'.

Policy GRT5 – 'Tolney Lane Policy Area' within the Submission Plan (CD01) provides support for delivery of the Flood Alleviation Scheme. Whilst Para 8.37 of the document also outlines that the Council will pursue external sources of funding to support delivery of the Tolney Lane improvements, but where this proves to be unavailable, or falls short

of addressing the full cost, then the scheme will be supported through the use of revenue collected via the Community Infrastructure Levy.

- 3 The District Council notes the Town Council's comment on the application related to NUA/GRT/11, the Council continues to believe that the site should be allocated.
- 4 The District Council welcomes the Town Council's support for the Gypsy Roma Traveller community generally and support for them having provision of suitable and sustainable sites that allow the local community to meet their housing needs in Newark and the District.
- 5 The District Council agrees with the Town Council with regard to the importance of having strategy embedded in an adopted plan.

Yours Faithfully



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