

Pembrokeshire County Council
2013 Gypsy Traveller Accommodation Need Assessment (2013 GTANA)

Summary

1. Survey work for the 2013 GTANA comprised face to face and telephone survey questionnaires carried out with Gypsies and Travellers in all known sites in Pembrokeshire, as well as those living in 'bricks and mortar' housing. Survey work was undertaken by Council staff, building on the relationship of trust that Gypsies and Travellers generally have with the Council's Gypsy Traveller Liaison Officer. There were 54 respondents in total to the questionnaire.
2. In terms of pitch delivery - progress is being made with the delivery of 3 pitches at Castle Quarry. 10 private pitches have gained planning permission on private sites since 2012 (a base date of January 2014 has been used to identify those with planning permission). Work is ongoing to enable the delivery of the allocation of 15 pitches at Kingsmoor, the major issue remaining is the de-registration of the Common Land on which the proposed extension would be sited. These 15 pitches have not been included in the table below as although allocated, they do not yet have planning permission.
3. The table below reflects need in Pembrokeshire (including the National Park Authority) between 2013 – 2018 (a 5 year period). It includes need from respondents with dependents who identified a preference for a pitch within the next 5 years.
4. **The total need identified is for 49 pitches by the end of 2018.**

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Estimate of Supply and Need

(A) Families on local authority site pitches	69 ¹
(B) Families on authorised privately owned site pitches	14 ²
Total number of families	83
(A+B) Total occupied pitches – LA and private	83
(C) Unused /vacant local authority pitches	1
(D) New local authority pitches planned	3 ³
Total pitch provision available	87
(F) In housing but wishing to move to site accommodation	11 ⁴
(G) Number of families on sites wishing to live in housing	-6
(H1) Currently overcrowded	28
(H) New family formations from existing families in Pembs requiring pitch	8
(I) New family formations with preferred option of housing	-1
(J) New family formations from outside Pembs requiring pitch	2
(K) New family formations expected from survey non-respondents	8
(L) Families on unauthorised encampments/sites in the process of closing	1
Total additional demand	51

Total no. of families + Total additional demand – Total pitch provision =
Current Shortfall 83+51-87 = 49 (current shortfall of pitches)⁵

¹ This includes pitches across 4 sites at, Kingsmoor (21), Castle Quarry (31) and Withybush (9) and Under the Hills (9) but not the 1 pitch at Waterloo which is in the process of closing. There are 70 pitches in total but with 1 currently vacant/unoccupied (Under the Hills) .

² There are 14 occupied authorised privately owned pitches (Jan 2014), including the 4 pitches identified in 2012 plus 10 pitches that have gained planning permission subsequently, see details below.

Occupied Authorised Private Sites/Pitches

- 01/1172/PA – Broadmoor Summer Place, Broadmoor, Kilgetty (Kelly Lee) – 1 residential caravan – allowed at appeal. (Determined Feb 2003)
- 09/1269/PA – Land west of Brother Hill Farm, East Williamston (Mr Darren Jones) – caravans for 1 gypsy pitch – approved. (Determined May 2010)
- 10/0008/PA – Land at Biggins Hill Park, Blackbridge, Waterston (Mr Brian McDonagh – residential caravans – allowed at appeal. (Determined Nov 2011)
- 10/0310/PA – Land off Clay Lane, Maidenwells (Mr Matthew Jones) – residential caravans – allowed at appeal. (Determined Nov 2012)
- 10/0474/PA – Biggins Hill Park, Blackbridge, Waterston (Mr Brian McDonagh) – caravan for 1 gypsy pitch – allowed at appeal. (Determined Nov 2011)
- 11/0093/PA – Land adjoining Thorney Park, Clayford Lane, Kilgetty (Mrs J Jones) – residential caravan – allowed at appeal. (Determined Jul 2013)
- 11/0436/PA – Land south of Kilgetty Cottages, Kilgetty (Mr & Mrs S Mochan) – 2 residential caravans for 1 gypsy pitch – allowed at appeal. (Determined Aug 2012)
- 12/0077/CL – Molleston Stables, Molleston (Mr & Mrs Probert) - Certificate of Lawfulness for residential mobile home – approved. (Determined Jun 2012)
- 12/0958/PA - Land West of Biggins Hill (Mr Brian McDonagh (Junior)) – Removal of condition 2 from appeal decision for 10/0474/PA for 2 gypsy pitches. (Determined Mar 2013)
- 13/0300/PA - Land West of Biggins Hill (Mr Brian McDonagh (Junior)) – Variation of condition 3 from 12/0958/PA to allow for 6 pitches. (Determined Dec 2013)
- 13/0435/PA – Land North West of Adam's Road, off India Road, Monkton (Mr & Mrs Price) – residential caravans – approved. (Determined Dec 2013)

³ Reflects units with planning permission at Castle Quarry, Monkton, Pembrokeshire.

⁴ Lines F- L reflect survey responses from surveys conducted in November 2013 and the Local Authority Waiting List, these were cross-referenced to remove double-counting.

⁵ Excludes (I) Number of future family formations on sites wishing to live in housing (-1)