

25.04.2022 - Call received from owner who had received a response from planning relating to the construction of a new house. the response is not supportive of a proposal and he couldn't understand why.

i tried to explain the reasons and a potential way forward but he didn't understand.

he has stated that he wishes to live at the site with his family and carry out an agricultural use in this parcel of land and another 8 acre parcel he has further down the road. the owner does have some connection with a gypsy background but doesn't really have anything to do with that style of life.

he did say that if he couldn't get permission he may sell it to gypsy travellers.

he then asked me to speak with his agent which i have done.

i have suggested that a way forward may be to submit an application for a temporary permission where his client may then be able to prove that there is a viable agricultural business at the site which may then support an application for an agricultural workers dwelling but that the location isn't really suitable.

the owner explained that he wishes to remain at the site and if he can't he will be homeless. i have explained that he needs to submit an application and if refused he could appeal but he says he doesn't have money to waste. i have explained that if he does not submit an application and intends to remain it is likely that the council will serve a notice to remove the caravan.

his agent is going to discuss the options with him and come back to me.

i will follow this up with an email towards the end of the week once they have the opportunity to consider their options.

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