

To: Chief Executives of County,  
Unitary and District Authorities  
and New Forest National Park

6 February 2007

Dear Colleague,

**SOUTH EAST PLAN PARTIAL REVIEW: PROVISION OF ADVICE ON  
CARAVAN PITCHES FOR GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS**

In response to feedback from local authorities, the Assembly's Regional Planning Committee at its meeting on 31 January 2007 agreed to change the timetable for the partial review of the South East Plan in relation to the provision of caravan pitches for Gypsies and Travellers. A revised timetable is set out below; the project plan on the Assembly's website will be amended accordingly.

<b>Stage</b>	<b>Original Project Plan</b>	<b>Revised Project Plan Agreed by RPC 31/1/07</b>
Deadline for provision of site data	30 April 2006	30 April 2006
Deadline for final submission of advice from local authorities	1 June 2007	15 October 2007
Submission to RPC	26 September 2007	30 January 2008
Approval by Plenary	15 November 2007	5 March 2008
Options Consultation	December 2007 to February 2008	15 May to 7 August 2008
Draft Policy to RPC	May 2008	October 2008 (Special RPC - date TBC)
Draft Policy to Plenary	July 2008	12 November 2008
Submission to GOSE	August 2008	December 2008

My letter dated 1 December 2006 specified three separate deadlines for the receipt of advice from authorities. The first two of these - 31 January, for confirmation of authority groupings - has now passed and the second - 30 April 2007, provision of site based data - remain unchanged.

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**The third and final deadline - for the submission of all other outputs specified in the brief, originally 1 June 2007 - has been postponed to Monday 15 October 2007.**

The revised date for the receipt of advice from local authorities has significant implications for the remainder of the partial review timetable. In making these changes the Assembly has sought to ensure that critical stages in the review process are sensitively programmed, so as to ensure that there are no foreseeable obstacles to the submission of the partial review to Government by December 2008.

Finally, in response to queries raised by members of the officer task group I would also like to clarify that the provision of advice on the spatial options (A and B) for the provision of caravan pitches (Paragraph 6.1 of the brief) should not be site specific.

If you have any concerns or queries do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Bevan', written in a cursive style.

**Paul Bevan**  
**Chief Executive**

cc: Heads of Planning County, Unitary and  
District Authorities and  
New Forest National Park