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Dear Amanda

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**Extension of existing traveller site to provide 6 additional mobile home units.
LOCATION Millers Farm, Gravesend Road, Fairseat, Sevenoaks Kent**

Thank you for your letter dated 3rd February regarding the above planning application.

The current proposal directly affects public footpath NS278 by directly siting two of the proposed caravans across the path and a third plot being slightly affected and there is no current proposal for a diversion to accommodate the path, so I must OBJECT.

However, I cannot raise any objection to the proposal in principle and would withdraw my objection if the path were to be diverted under the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

If the path were to be enclosed, our standard minimum width requirement is 2.5m, and it looks like this could be accommodated if the proposed caravans were to be moved a little to the south and the width of the planting strip reduced. On the attached plan, the diversion shown by the dashed pink line A-B-C would be sufficient, although it may be worth considering route A-B-D-E, as this would remove the need to go through the process again for any future change of use and would probably be better for both path users and the applicant.

It is important to advise the applicant that no works can be undertaken on a Public Right of Way without the express consent of the Highways Authority. In cases of doubt the applicant should be advised to contact this office before commencing any works that may affect the Public Right of Way. Should any temporary closures be required to ensure public safety then this office will deal on the basis that:

- The applicant pays for the administration costs.
- The duration of the closure is kept to a minimum.
- Alternative routes will be provided for the duration of the closure.
- A minimum of six weeks' notice is required to process any applications for temporary closures.

This means that the Public Right of Way must not be stopped up, diverted, obstructed (this includes any building materials or waste generated during any of the construction phases) or the surface disturbed. There must be no encroachment on the current width, at any time now or in future and no furniture or fixtures may be erected on or across Public Rights of Way without consent.

Yours sincerely

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Deborah Scott
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