



**Central Lancashire Local Plan 2023 - 2041
Regulation 19 Consultation, February 2025**

Representation 2

On behalf of Michael and Patty Linfoot

**Relating to Policy HS13 (Strategic Policy): Gypsy, Traveller, and
Travelling Showperson Needs Section 5.**

1.0 Why the Plan is Unsound

- 1.1 It is important that the criteria in Sections 4 and 5 of Policy HS13 are necessary and will not represent unjustified barriers to allocating sites and approving developments.
- 1.2 Mr and Mrs Linfoot support the criteria, apart from the reference to public transport in criterion 5 a).
- 1.3 Reflecting their nomadic habit of life Gypsies and Travellers tend to be strongly dependent on private cars and commercial vehicles and to be very limited users of public transport. Requiring accessibility to public transport is of little relevance and may make it more difficult to meet the needs for pitches. It is the only strand of the criteria in Sections 4. and 5., which Mr and Mrs Linfoot's existing site might have difficulty meeting. On that basis the inclusion of the reference to public transport is not Positively prepared – it risks making it unnecessarily to meet the area's needs and is not Justified – it does not represent an appropriate strategy.

2.0 Modifications

- 2.1 Modify Section 5 a) of Policy HS13 so it reads: *‘the site must be accessible to services including health care provision, education facilities and shops’*.