

Gypsies and Travellers Living on Unauthorised Sites

Site name.....

Name of interviewer

Signature..... Date.....

READ OUT

My name is <NAME> and I am carrying out interviews with Gypsies and Travellers to find out their needs. This information will help service providers in this area to plan better for the accommodation needs for Gypsies and Travellers in the future. I will not be asking for your name or anything else that could identify you and all information you give is confidential. I must stress that the questions are to help plan accommodation over the long-term and it can take several years for changes to come through. We are working for an independent research company and the Council will not see any of your replies. Would you be willing to talk to me? The interview will probably take about 20 minutes

SCREENING QUESTIONS:

Have you already been interviewed for this survey?

YesEND INTERVIEW

NoContinue

Do you regard yourself as a Gypsy or Traveller?

YesContinue

NoEND INTERVIEW

A

SITE AND ACCOMMODATION

A1. How long have you been here (current location)?

A2. What is the MAIN reason you moved here?

A3. How long do you think you'll stay living here?

A4. Do you have a main home (in other words, the one you spend most of your time at)?

Yes1
No2

A5. Where is your main home?

A6. What tenancy do you have where you live:

Renting from council/HA.....1
Private rent2
Staying with family/friend.....3
Own pitch4
Unauthorised5
Other6

A7. Have you ever lived in a house or a flat?

Yes1
No2

A8. Would you like to reside in a house / flat?

Yes1
No2
Don't know3

A9. Expand on A7 and A8

B

YOUR FAMILY

B1. Please give the age, sex and relationship to you of all the people currently (or mainly) living on your pitch (NAMES ARE NOT REQUIRED).

	Relation to respondent	Age	Sex (Male or Female)
Person 1 (respondent)
Person 2
Person 3
Person 4
Person 5
Person 6
Person 7
Person 8
Person 9
Person 10

B2. How many couples?

B3. How many of the following do you have here?

..... number of mobile caravans and number of people accommodated

..... number of other mobile trailers and number of people accommodated

B4. How would you describe you and your partner (if applicable)?

	Self	Partner
Romany / Gypsy	1a	1b
Irish Traveller	2a	2b
New Traveller	3a	3b
Other Gypsy / Traveller.....	4a	4b
Not a Gypsy / Traveller	5a	5b

C**HEALTH, EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT****C1. Are you registered with a GP surgery?**

Yes, permanent registration1
 Yes, temporary registration2
 No3

C2. Do you or anyone else in your family have any health issues? (CIRCLE AS MANY AS APPLY)

Health or mobility problems due to old age....1
 Physical disability (adult, not old age)2
 Physical disability (child)3
 A learning disability.....4
 Long-term illness5
 Severe sensory impairment6
 Asthma7
 Mental Illness.....8
 Other9
 No health problems10

C3. Are there any children of school age in your family?

Yes,1
 No2

C4. Do any of your school-age children attend school?

Yes, all1
 Yes, some.....2
 No3
Explain answer:

C5. Do any of your children receive home tutoring?

Yes, all1
 Yes, some.....2
 No3
 Other4

*Explain answer:***C6. Has anything (apart from a child's illness) stopped you sending your children going to school sometimes?**

Lack of permanent address1
 Evictions / being moved on.....2
 Seasonal movement due to work3
 Not having the right school uniforms4
 Bullying5
 Waiting lists for classes6
 Prefer to be taught at home8
 Lack of transport to school9
 Parent's illness/disability.....10
 Don't know10
 Other11

C7. (If applicable) What is the employment status of adult(s) residing in your household? (A1 = you, A2 = adult 2 etc.)**A1 A2 A3 A4**

Employed full-time.....1a...1b...1c...1d
 Employed part-time.....2a...2b...2c...2d
 Self-employed.....3a...3b...3c...3d
 Student.....4a...4b...4c...4d
 Retired.....5a...5b...5c...5d
 Housewife.....6a...6b...6c...6d
 Unemployed7a...7b...7c...7d
 Other.....8a...8b...8c...8d
Write in other:

What type(s) of work are they MAINLY involved in?

D TRAVELLING

D1. When have you (or any member of your household) traveled in past 12 months?

Spring1
 Summer2
 Autumn3
 Winter.....4

D2. What are your household's main reasons for travelling (circle all that apply)?

To visit friends/family1
 To visit events2
 To holiday3
 Due to work.....4
 Limited opportunity to settle.....5
 No pitch on which to live6
 Lack of site provision.....7
 Culture/heritage/way of life.....8
 Other.....9

Write in other:

D3. What problems do you have while travelling?

D4. Have you been moved on from any location in the past year? If so, how many times?

Yes,1
 No2
 No. of times.....

D5. What main routes do you use for travelling and where do you typically travel to?

D6. Can you see a time when you will permanently stop travelling in a caravan for work?

Yes.....1
 No.....2
 Have already stopped travelling.....3
 Don't know4

D7. Can you see a time when you will permanently stop travelling in a caravan?

Yes.....1
 No.....2
 Have already stopped travelling.....3
 Don't know4

**D8. IF YES:
When?**

Within the next 12 months.....1
 In 1-2 years2
 In 3-4 years3
 In 5-10 years4
 Over 10 years.....5

D9. What are the main reasons for stopping travelling temporarily or permanently?

Age / too old.....1
 Health and /or support needs.....2
 Employment3
 Education / access to schools.....4
 Safety / harassment.....5
 Threat of evictions.....6
 Lack of transit sites / places to stay7
 Restrictions from landlord on spending time away from preferred site8
 Settled.....9
 Other10

E ACCOMMODATION PROVISION

E1. Do you think permanent sites are required in this area?

Yes.....1
No.....2
Don't know3

E2. Do you think transit / emergency provision is required in this area?

Yes.....1
No.....2
Don't know3

If yes, where should the transit site(s) be located?

E3. Describe the size, location and facilities of an ideal site:

E4. Do you need and/or are you likely to need a different home?

Yes.....1
No.....2
Don't know3

E5. What are the main reasons for wanting to move to a different home (circle all that apply)?

Not enough space.....1
Have own land elsewhere.....2
Cost of living here.....3
Too far from school / other services4
Suffering harassment5
Want somewhere easier to manage.....6
To receive support / other care7
Employment reasons8
Environment / pollution.....9
Health10
Old age11
Prefer a house12
Want to settle down13
Other14

E6. What type of accommodation would you like to move to?

Sites

Council / social rented site1
Private site owned by self2
Private site owned by another Gypsy / Traveller ...3

Housing

Owner-occupied4
Rent from Council / Housing Association.....5
Rent from private landlord6
Other7

E7. If a site, where would you move to and why? (name the area and local authority).

F. FUTURE NEEDS

NB: If children are present – and if the parent consents – these questions should be asked directly to them

F1. Will any of the other people in your family need and / or are likely to want to move to their own separate home within the next five years (e.g. son or daughter, a parent etc.).

Yes.....1

F2. How many separate homes will be needed/wanted?

WRITE IN ANSWER:

FOR F3 FILL OUT A SEPARATE COLUMN FOR EACH FAMILY MEMBER ('FM') WHO WILL NEED A NEW HOME

F3. When will they need separate accommodation?

	FM1	FM2	FM3	FM4
Now.....1	1	1	1	1
Within a year ...2	2	2	2	2
In 1-2 years3	3	3	3	3
In 3-5 years4	4	4	4	4

IF MORE THAN ONE PERSON IS THE FAMILY NEEDS AND / OR ARE LIKELY TO MOVE TO THEIR OWN ACCOMMODATION IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS, PLEASE NOW ASK ABOUT THE PERSON WHO WILL NEED THEIR OWN ACCOMMODATION / ARE LIKELY TO MOVE FIRST.

F4. Which would they prefer?

Stay with family.....1
On a site.....2
In a house3

F5. What type of accommodation would they like to move to?

Sites

Any site1
Council / social rented site2
Private site owned by self3
Private site rented site4

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