

## Appendix D

The Strategic Officer Group on Traveller Issues, chaired by the Executive Director, is in the process of considering the following issues and would welcome the Sub-Committee's comments and suggestions. Officers will provide an oral update at the meeting on progress being made on these questions (and any other pertinent issues that arise).

- a) Continued liaison with Counsel's having regard to her opinion at every stage?
- b) Sub-committee reconvening to consider proposals for the Council's detailed response as and when required
- c) What are the likely timescales for taking forward appropriate action (including possible court hearings) following the passing of the injunction deadlines?
- d) What support and assistance, within the Council's overall budget constraints, could be given to the defendants of the Order, to enable them to find a suitable and authorized place to live?
- e) How should the Council liaise and consult with the local community in and around Smithy Fen and Cottenham about the actions that may need to be taken?
- f) Similarly, how should the Council liaise and consult with partner organisations serving Smithy Fen and Cottenham?
- g) How could the impact of appropriate action on the local community be minimised?
- h) How can the Council make sure that it is applying its Race Equality Scheme appropriately and fulfilling its statutory duties to promote race equality and good race relations in relation to this unauthorised development?
- i) How could any actions that the Council may have to take (and the reasons for them) be communicated effectively to the local and national media?
- j) What should happen to the unauthorised site at Pine View once it has been cleared, not least to minimise the risk of future unauthorised development? What other positive outcomes could be achieved?
- k) What might be the implications of any action that the Council has to take in relation for other initiatives that the Council is taking on Traveller Issues (eg, preparations for the GTDPD and public consultation in early October 2006)?
- l) What are the wider implications for Council services of the additional work pressures from the response to the unauthorised development at Pine View?
- m) How much would appropriate actions be likely to cost?