

Planning for Traveller Sites and Dealing with Unauthorised Encampments

[Etc. Venues, Prospero House, 241 Borough High Street, London, SE1 1GA](#) | Tuesday 17th July 2018

10.15 **Registration & Morning Refreshments**

11.00 **Chair's Introduction**

⇒ *Cllr Ric Pallister OBE, Leader, South Somerset District Council*

11.05 **Dealing with Unauthorised Encampments**

- Current local authority and police powers for dealing with unauthorised encampments
- Court processes
- Planning enforcement powers
- Effective partnership working between local authorities, residents and the police
- Minimising the impact of unauthorised encampments on local residents
- Next steps following the Government's consultation

⇒ *Bill Forrester, Chair, National Association of Gypsy and Traveller Officers*

⇒ *Representative, Friends, Families and Travellers*

13.00 **Networking Lunch**

13.45 **Provision of Authorised Traveller Sites**

- Implementing *Planning Policy for Traveller Sites*
- Assessing Gypsy and Traveller accommodation needs
- Using evidence to plan positively and manage development
- Issues to consider when determining applications for Traveller sites
- Overcoming objections using planning conditions or obligations

⇒ *Catriona Riddell, Strategic Planning Lead, Planning Officers Society*

15.30 **Event Close**

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