

DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT FOR  
LAND AT OAKLAND PLACE, GREENWAY LANE,  
HARRIETSHAM, MAIDSTONE

18<sup>th</sup> September 2023

The land lies to the west of Harrietsham off Greenway Lane

The site is part of the residential land associated with Oakland place, a development of 5 static residential units for use by Gypsy and traveller families, which benefits from planning consent.

The proposal is for 2 number static units also for use by Gypsy and traveller families. The owner of the application site at present resides at Chart View, on Chart Hill Road, Chart Sutton which is an existing G and T site which is at present undergoing reorganisation, hence the applicant needs to relocate his family, due to powers beyond his control. Unit 1 is for use by the mother and father with unit 2 being for the extended family ie older children and grand parent; please note in accordance with policy DM 15 of the local plan all relative information confirming their G and T status can be provided direct to the Planning Officer once the application has been validated. The site is sustainable with schools, and shops close by including bus services along the A20 to Ashford and Maidstone, however electrical vehicle charge points will be supplied as part of the proposal.

In support of this application we bring to the Councils attention the enclosed document 'Examination of the Maidstone Local Plan Review' by The Planning Inspectorate, dated 5<sup>th</sup> July 2023 and the Councils recent 'Call for G and T sites'; please refer to paragraphs 14 – 20 inclusive. There is a short fall of over 600 G and T pitches. It would make sense to locate new pitches in the vicinity of existing established communities such as to Oakland Place.

Should you wish to discuss the proposals further please do not hesitate to contact the author.

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