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North East Derbyshire Local Plan Examination Consultation – Provision for Gypsies and Travellers The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (Regulations 20 Consultation)

Ashover Parish Council considered the above consultation at its meeting held on Tuesday 15 January 2019 and is responding to Local Plan Main Matter 15, questions 28 and 29 (relating to the location of the site and material impacts in relation to the Woolley Moor site).

Environment

Ashover Parish Council has concerns regarding the ecology of the area and requests that an Environmental Impact Assessment is undertaken on the proposed site with full consultation to include Natural England, English Heritage and the Environment Agency.

Location

Ashover Parish Council does not consider that the site is sustainable as it is a significant distance from Schools, Doctors, shops and employment opportunities etc. and has a limited bus service. NEDDC Local Plan evidence demonstrates that Woolley Moor has limited sustainability and the proposed site is on the outskirts of the village.

Landscape

The use of this site as a traveller site would have a significant adverse impact on the landscape. This is evidenced by NEDDC and whilst the District Council states that this would be overcome by the hedges, Ashover Parish Council does not support this view and considers that the site would be prominent in the surrounding countryside and on the landscape.

Yours sincerely

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