



# South Somerset District Council

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## RESPONSE

You have asked South Somerset District Council for the following information:-

1: A yearly breakdown from 1st January 2015 to 31st December 2019 of the number of additional sites built for Gypsies and travellers in your area.

**No additional sites were built for Gypsies and Travellers during this period.**

2: Does your authority have a Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Need Assessment for new pitches?

**A Somerset-wide Assessment was published in 2011 and an update was carried out in 2013, and this identifies need up until 2032. The Somerset Authorities have just commissioned a new Assessment which is anticipated to be completed by June this year.**

3: What is the need identified by your authority's Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Need Assessment for new pitches, and what period does this GTANA cover?

**The 2013 update identifies a need for a total of 35 new permanent pitches in South Somerset up until 2032.**

4: How many sites have been identified by your authority for its up to date 5 year 'supply of specific deliverable sites'?

**Site monitoring information shows that 25 permanent pitches have been granted planning permission in South Somerset on 12 sites in the last five years, these figures relate to the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019. The South Somerset Local Plan 2006-2028 has no allocated Gypsy and Traveller sites, delivery is being achieved through planning applications.**

5: A yearly breakdown from 1st January 2015 to 31st December 2019 of many times you have obtained injunctions preventing unauthorised camping.

**No injunctions were sought during this period.**

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