Jayne Collier-Smith Kent County Council

Via Email

25th May 2010

Dear Jayne,

Gypsy & Traveller Site Grant programme

As you may be aware, the Chancellor of the Exchequer has recently announced immediate cuts to government funding programmes in order to start addressing the budget deficit.

Savings have been sought across a number of housing programmes delivered by the Homes & Communities Agency and it is with regret that we have to announce that, as part of those savings, the Gypsy & Traveller Site Grant programme has been closed to new allocations this year.

As a result we will not be continuing with the current bid assessment process and there will be no further opportunities to bid for grant in the current financial year.

However, we will keep your bid details on file and if any of the schemes from the 09/10 programme are unable to take up their funding allocation, we will review the bid proposals and look to bring forward appropriate schemes to take up any available funding.

Yours sincerely

Sir Bob Kerslake Chief Executive