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Christine Chapman AM
Chair of Communities, Equality & Local
Government

Dear Christine,

09 May 2013

I wrote to the previous Chair of the Communities, Equality and Local Government committee in March regarding the Welsh Government's consultation on implementing the Mobile Homes Act 1983 on Local Authority Gypsy and Traveller sites. My letter was in response to a query raised by the Chair on 4 March and both letters are attached to this letter as Document 1 (Ann Jones AM letter) and Document 2 (my original response).

I am writing to confirm that government amendments are being considered to the Regulated Mobile Homes Sites (Wales) Bill ("the Bill") that will remove Local Authority Gypsy and Traveller sites from the scope of the provisions in the Bill relating to site licensing.

Earlier this year the Welsh Government consulted on proposals to afford protection to local authority Gypsy and Traveller sites by bringing them within the scope of the Mobile Homes Act 1983. Work is currently underway to consider the responses to that consultation.

I understand officials will be briefing the Committee on the amendments proposed to the Bill on 23 May, and I am sure will be able to answer any questions you may have regarding how they affect Gypsy and Traveller sites.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Huw Lewis'.

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