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Dear Mr Kelpie

Re: Correspondence from Mr Peter May, Permanent Secretary regarding Caravan Site Licences for Travellers' sites

Following the publication of the Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission investigation report into Travellers' accommodation, the Permanent Secretary recently wrote to all Councils in order to provide clarity around the requirement of site licences and the application of model site licence conditions.

The Partnership would also remind Councils of their obligations in taking proactive steps to ensure Travellers' sites are licensed when required. In addition, Councils should regularly monitor the licencing of Travellers' sites and be aware when a site requires a licence, whether they are licenced and when any licence would expire.

Councils should ensure that all site licences meet the minimum standard of provision and safety as required by the model licence developed by the Department for Infrastructure.

I trust this correspondence will receive due consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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