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Date: 11 June, 2009 16:51
Subject: RE: Re: Fern Farm: Mr Shea's application

Dear Leslie,

At 2pm on Wednesday 10th June 2009, I called on Mr Daniel Shea at his mobile home situated on land at Fern Farm, Longmoor Road, Greatham Village.

I met with Mr Shea his son Daniel SHEA, 21 years and also a relative Mr Mark Marney a Traveller with connections to the Brazil family.

During conversation with Mr Shea Snr, I was advised that the family had originally lived on the site in the 1960's when his mother and father owned the land. They sold it in 1979 (apart from a small plot), moved into a house and travelled during the summer months.

Mr Shea Jnr has recently purchased the land as a whole and he together with his father moved back on there to live. Mr Shea Snr advised me that he and his wife are separated.

Mr Shea Snr produced a large quantity of photographs and historic documents including a Goods Vehicle Operators Licence from 1977 for his father Thomas Shea to operate vehicles from the land.

There was documentary evidence relating to his mother Amy Brazil and cousins from the Wenman, Burrows and Johnson families, some of whom are living on Hampshire County Council Gypsy and Traveller residential sites.

I have no personal knowledge of this family however from the evidence produced and from discussing Gypsy and Traveller issues with Mr Shea I am of the opinion that he can be defined as a Gypsy in compliance with National Guidance contained within Circular 1/2006.

Many thanks,

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