

### 4.3 Hertsmere

- 4.3.1 Within Hertsmere 21 sites have been suggested for the accommodation of Gypsies and Travellers, refer to Figure 5.
- 4.3.2 Sites have been allocated a score in terms of their preference (as described in paragraph 4.1.6). These scores are highlighted in red text within the first column of the table. Six sites have been given the highest score of '1' and five have been scored as '2'. A few sites require earthworks, additional buffers or are located on narrow roads. These factors have been detailed and the site retained in the event that more preferable sites are unavailable or have other constraints.
- 4.3.3 In all, six sites have the highest score of '1'. These sites are:
- H3 Hilfield Lane South (Eastern Side)
  - H5 Adjacent Elstree Recycling Centre
  - H6 Allum Lane
  - H15 Swanland Road
  - H17 Southgate Road
  - H20 Bakers Street

**SOUTH & WEST HERTS  
GYPSY & TRAVELLER  
STRATEGY**

**IDENTIFIED POTENTIAL  
SITES  
HERTSMERE**

Districts  
● Major Towns  
★ Site Visit Locations  
▲ Existing Gypsy Sites  
 Existing Gypsy Sites  
 Major Roads

**Opportunities**

- High
- Medium/High
- Medium

**Constraints**

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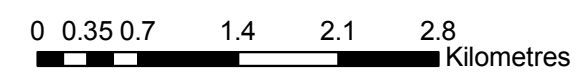
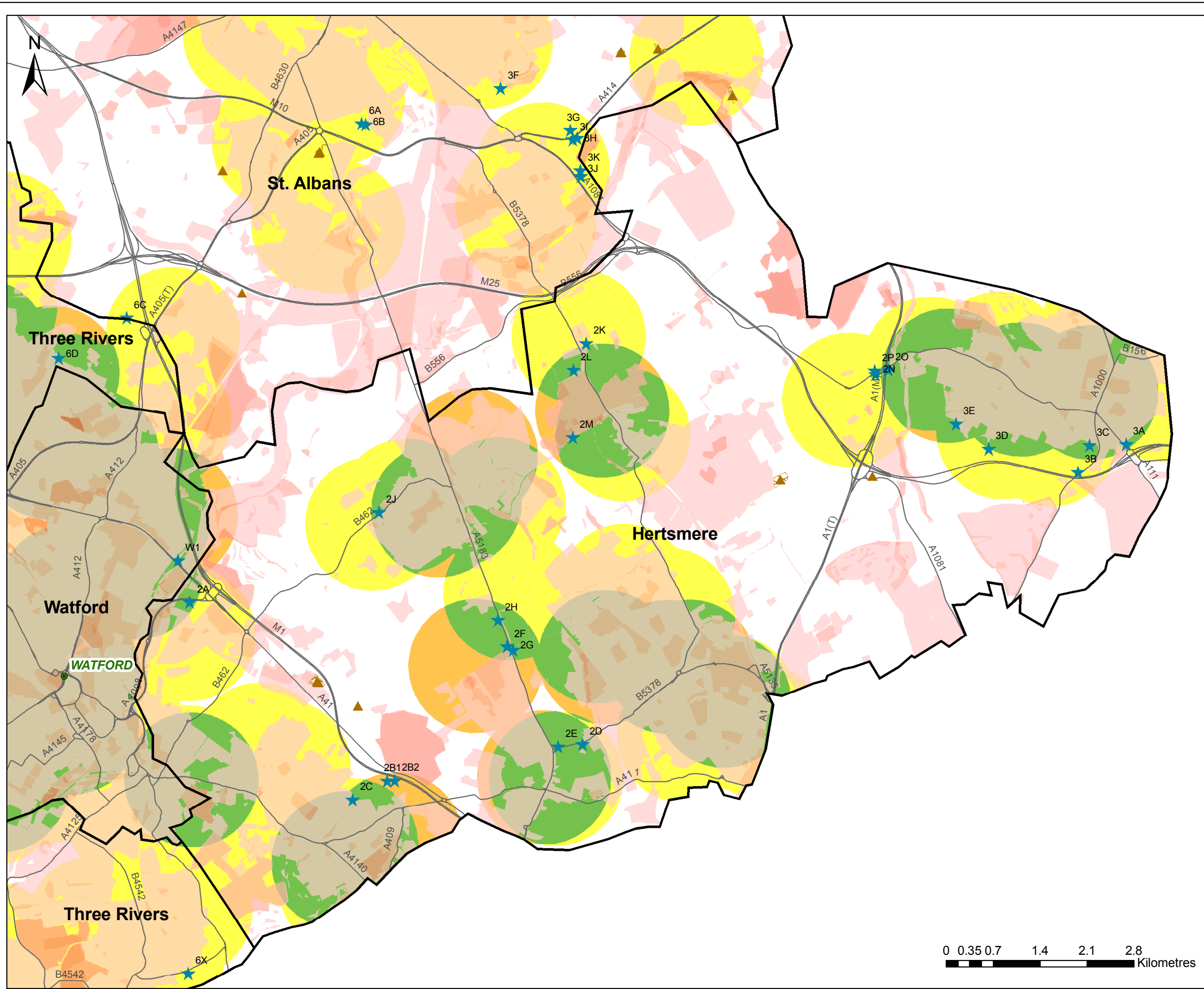


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Accommodation Needs of Gypsies and Travellers in South and West Hertfordshire  
Recommendations Report

Site Name/ Code	Existing Use	Distance Buffer to Green Belt boundary (metres)	Area (S M L)	Topography	Surrounding Land Uses	Existing Buffers/ Vegetation	Access	GIS Opportunity Rank
<b>H1 Bushey Mill Lane 2</b>	Low wooden fence surrounding the site. Field with horses grazing - presumed association with stables opposite.  Two existing gates with dirt mound behind and along most of the boundary. Power pylons through rear third of site parallel with A41.	200	L	Gently rolling and mostly level.	Boarded by Bushey Mill Lane (south-west) and adjacent to bridge over A4008, A4008 (north), residential (south) then industrial towards rear (east). Opposite side of road is Bushey Hall Farm (stables). Near border with Watford.	Low hedge along the site boundary with Bushey Mill Lane.	Bridge over the A4008 to the west has a 7-foot width restriction (buses drive through a central lane). Close to A41.	High (Green)
<b>H2 Hilfield Lane South (Western Side) 3</b>	Grass field	400	S	Gently rolling	Bordered by an un-gated bridleway with residential beyond (to south-east), the old road gated and now cut off by the M1 (to north-east), the M1 (to north) and fields (to south-west).	Substantial vegetation on south-east side. Isolated trees along other boundaries.	Could access the site where the bridleway and Lane intersect. Connects easily to A411 and A41.	Low (Orange)
<b>H3 Hilfield Lane South (Eastern Side) 1</b>	Grass field with horses grazing.	500	L	Mostly level As above.	Bordered by fields (to south-east), Hilfield Lane South (to north-west) and the M1 (to north).	Boarded by vegetation	Site access from the Lane. Connects easily to A411 and A41.	Low (Orange)
<b>H4 Albany Close 2</b>	Grass field with power pylon at rear.	100	M/L	Gently rolling topography.	Abuts residential area to south and west and fields to north and east.	Tall trees between existing residential and the site. Low hedges between fields.	Existing site access from Albany Close.	High (Green)
<b>H5 Adjacent Elstree Recycling Centre 1</b>	Grass field. OS map indicated an existing caravan site but no evidence of this.	100	L	Gently sloping down near roadside levelling off to south-east.	Abuts residential on eastern boundary. Public footpath along southern boundary of site. Allum Lane borders the northern side. Short Lane to adjacent recycling centre borders part of the western side with a cemetery beyond.	Northern boundary vegetation buffer from road.	Existing gate, good road access.	High (Green)
<b>H6 Allum Lane (B5378) 1</b>	Grass field	500	L	Slightly sloping down towards west.	Allum Lane (B5378) borders the southern boundary with paddocks and stables on opposite side of road. Cemetery behind paddock. Public Footpath starts near SW corner and goes along rear/western edge. Rear of houses at western boundary.	Isolated mature trees along road boundary and low hedge between. Residential beyond footpath trees and scrub. Cemetery screened from the road by on site vegetation.	Several lowered curb areas for site access.	High (Green)
<b>H7 Butterfly Lane 3</b>	Grass field. Power lines run through rear of site.	900	S/M	Level site	Recreation ground/pavilion and Medburn Boarding Cattery and Kennels are adjacent to the north side of the site. Watling Street borders the east and Butterfly Lane the south-east. It would be best to locate away from the main road, club and kennels.	Hedge and trees along roadside.	Good access.	High (Green)
<b>H8 Watling Street 3</b>	Grass field. Telecommunication facility at north-west corner of site, left of gate. Power lines near roadside.	800	S/M	Level site	House on opposite side of the Watling Street (to west). Farm buildings adjacent (to south) and fields to west and north.	1.5m approx. high hedge along roadside.	Existing access and gate.	High (Green)
<b>H9 Medburn 3</b>	Grass field. Power pylon on site.	800	M	Level site	Adjacent to Medburn House at southern end of site. Bordered by Watling Street (to north-east) and near intersection/entry for Jewish School. Fields on other sides.	Hedge and trees surround the site.	Existing access at southern and northern ends of site. Best to use northern east end away from existing residential dwelling	High (Green)

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<b>H10</b> <b>Watford Road</b> <b>3</b>	Grass field. Power pylons set well back along rear (to west).	100	M	Site slopes gradually down towards north-east.	Radlett Road (B462) borders the south-east of site with residential on opposite side. Residential to north-east, fields on other sides. Close to a primary school.	Existing hedge along roadside. Additional planting and maybe fencing would be required.	No existing site access.	High (Green)
<b>H11</b> <b>Farm School North Shenley</b> <b>2</b>	Grass field	1200	M	Level site	Adjacent to Clore Shalom School - primary school and small businesses. Residential adjacent to west boundary. Walkway to athletics park towards NE of site. Medical centre to north. Fields to south and east.	Vegetation screening on western boundary with residential. Additional may be required along northern boundary.	Existing site access at end of dead-end road. Good link to Junction 22 of M25.	Medium High (Yellow)/High (Green)
<b>H12</b> <b>Queens Way</b> <b>2</b>	Grass field	1600	L	Level site	Residential to south, hospital annex to east, fields to north and west. North of Shenley, not far from shops and services.	Isolated trees near entry from Queens Way, substantial vegetation buffer to remainder of residential area.	Access established and blocked by scrub at end of Queens Way. This is the only access to this large area. Near bus route.	High (Green)
<b>H13</b> <b>Radlett Lane</b> <b>2</b>	Grass field	1000	L	Level site	Radlett Lane borders north-west of site. On opposite side is Shenley Park carpark and Orchard Tea Room. Fields on other sides of site. Very close to shops, NHS surgery and childrens' nursery.	Hedge along road boundary. Additional buffer may be required.	Existing access and gate. Bus stop opposite.	High (Green)
<b>H14</b> <b>Cecil Road South (B556)</b> <b>3</b>	Grass field	700	L	Level site	Abuts A1 Motorway (to east) and B556 (to north-west), which goes over the A1. Fields on other sides.	Fairly exposed, a buffer would be required.	Good access to road network. Access from B556.	High (Green)/ Medium High (Yellow)
<b>H15</b> <b>Swanland Road</b> <b>1</b>	Grass field	500	M	Level site	South-east of B556, which is much higher than the site. Close to A1, which runs parallel with Swanland Road to the west. Fields to south. River and public walkway to east.	Hedge runs along western boundary.	Access from Swanland Road. Good access to the road network to the south (Junction 23 of M25 and Junction 1 of A1(M)).	High (Green)
<b>H16</b> <b>Cecil Road North (B556)</b> <b>3</b>	Grass field	700	L	Level site	Abuts A1 Motorway (to east) and B556 (to south-east), which goes over the A1. Fields on other sides.	Fairly exposed, a buffer would be required.	Good access to road network. Access from B556.	High (Green)/ Medium High (Yellow)
<b>H17</b> <b>Southgate Road (A111)</b> <b>1</b>	Ploughed field.	100	M	Level site	Abuts residential to north-west. Southgate Road borders the south-western boundary with residential on opposite side. Fields to east. Junction 24 of M26 to south.	Tall wooden fence and vegetation screening where the site abuts residential land. Vegetation buffer by roadside and junction. Additional vegetation may be required.	Existing access and gate from Southgate Road. Excellent access onto M25.	High (Green)
<b>H18</b> <b>A1000 Barnet Road</b> <b>3</b>	Grass field	300	L	Level site	Opposite an existing site not informed of – this area could be suitable for expansion. M25 (goes over A1000) abuts the south-western boundary. A1000 abuts the south-eastern boundary. Railway tunnel located under the northern end of site. Fields on other sides.	Isolated trees along roadside. M25 is much higher than the site. Additional buffers required.	Existing access and gate from A1000/Barnet Road.	Medium High (Yellow)

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<b>H19 Ashwood Road 3</b>	Grass field	100	L	Level site	Abuts residential to north. Fields to west and south. A1000 to east.	Visual effects could be negative for existing residents. Trees planted along boundary but houses would have a view of the site over these.	Alternative access points from the end of Ashwood Road or the A1000.	High (Green)
<b>H20 Bakers Street 1</b>	Grass field with isolated mature trees towards rear of site. Power pylons along boundary with M25.	300	L	Fairly level site	Baker street abuts north-west boundary with fields and recreation ground on the opposite side and secondary school beyond. M25 abuts southern boundary at much higher elevation and bridge over Bakers Street. Fields to north-east with Primary school beyond.	Low hedge along roadside. Vegetation planting would be required.	Existing access and gate. Good access to road network.	High (Green) at north of site, Medium High (Yellow) at south.
<b>H21 Sawyers Lane 3</b>	Grass field	200	M	Level site	Bridgefoot Lane to north-east, Sawyers Lane to west with secondary school and FE Cleary Sports Centre on opposite side. Fields to south and east.	Mature trees and hedge surround the site preventing any views.	Access could be an issue – Sawyers Lane is a one way road with site access of this from Bridgefoot lane a single track.	High (Green)