

Negotiated Stopping Place Criteria

The land will be Council owned, or if privately owned, the Council will work with the landowner to encourage the use of negotiated stopping. (The landowner is ultimately responsible for taking the relevant court action should an eviction be required)

The stopping place will have no impact on public right of way.

The area must be relatively flat and able to accommodate caravans and heavy goods vehicles.

The negotiated stopping place will be in close proximity to the area that the encampment initially stopped on.

There will be safe and convenient access to road networks and be located so as to cause minimum disruption to surrounding communities.

The road to, and from, the area must be of sufficient quality and size to enable access onto and off the site by heavy vehicles such as trailers.

The location of a negotiated stopping place will provide a safe environment for the residents. The potential presence of young children and any risks that may arise due to adjoining land uses must be considered.

The Council will also provide the following to ensure that negotiated stopping sites are safe and secure:

- bottles of drinking water for personal consumption (not personal hygiene)
- a toilet
- access to safe disposal of waste
- a named officer to liaise between families, local residents, Community Planning Partners and elected members