

**Draft Minute from the meeting of the Member Steering Group for the Joint LDF for Luton and the former South Bedfordshire area held on 24 April 2009.**

**Item 5 - Proposed Gypsy and Traveller Changes to the Draft Policy H4 of the East of England Plan Single Issue Review**

A report on the subject had been circulated prior to the meeting. Members noted that the proposed changes to policy envisaged increasing the number of additional pitches for Luton and Bedfordshire from 100 to 120 by 2011 and treating them as "minima". Whilst accepting the increase in overall provision, members were nevertheless particularly concerned with the fact that the provision had to be treated as "minima" and they agreed that the proposed approach was unacceptable.