

# Strategic Policy Committee – Housing Traveller Accommodation Unit

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# Current Update

- LTACC – current Quorum under review to help facilitate more effective progression of the Traveller Accommodation Programme.
- Acquisitions – 21 properties identified and under review.
- Staffing – new Head of Traveller Accommodation Unit in place. New Clerk of Works to commence shortly. Full complement of staff now achieved.
- Waste Management – attendance at LTACC was greatly appreciated. Extensive works and testing being carried out at Labre Park and removal of waste at Belcamp Lane has been completed.
- Provision of Electricity for Northern Fringe Traveller sites – completed. Installation of 33 Sanitation Units underway at Tara Lawns and St Dominics Park.
- Emergency and Caravan Loan Schemes – 10 loans have been approved. Issuing of loans to commence from Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> July.
- Traveller Accommodation Group Housing Retrofit – Contractor to start works onsite in Cara Park in September. 41 houses will be completed at a cost of €39,455 per unit.
- New Projects - Reuben Street – Single house project. Design stage has commenced.
  - Avila Park – 3 house project – Design stage has commenced.
  - Cara Park – 9 house project. Design team appointed.

# Challenges

- Mid-term review of the Traveller Accommodation Programme 2019-2024.
- Annual Traveller Count i.e. accuracy of the figures produced.
- Waste Management – implementing good practice waste removal on all Traveller sites.
- Oversight and completion of good quality maintenance work on sites.
- Finding suitable sites for construction of culturally appropriate accommodation.