

# **RSS REVISION PHASE 3** **New Pitches for Gypsies, Travellers &** **Travelling Showpeople**



*'An Opportunity to learn about the key issues to be debated  
and the Options for new RSS policy being proposed'*

To assist local authority officers and representatives from agencies that work with Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople in publicising and responding to the Public Consultation period, WMRA's Housing team has arranged for a Region wide briefing to be held on

**Friday 19 June 2009**  
**10.00am – 12noon at the BVCS, Birmingham**

The briefing will be facilitated by Pat Niner from CURS at the University of Birmingham, who is acting as the lead consultant for the West Midlands Regional Assembly on the Gypsy & Travellers element of the RSS Phase 3 review. The briefing will provide an overview of the process undertaken to collate evidence and develop Options for new RSS policy primarily on the number and distribution of new pitches and hopefully ensure officers are sufficiently well informed on the key issues to enable them in turn to support all those involved in this process, especially elected members and their authorities in responding to the Phase 3 Consultation.

The briefing is free of charge. It is anticipated that Housing Strategy Officers, Planning Officers, Gypsy Liaison Officers, local authority Press Officers and representatives from a range of agencies which work with Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople are likely to benefit from attending. A programme and directions to the venue will be circulated closer to the date of the briefing but we would ask you to register by Monday 15 June 2009, to ensure appropriate arrangements are made. – Please contact Michael Craggs at WMRA's Housing team on 0121 245 0155 or [m.craggs@wmra.gov.uk](mailto:m.craggs@wmra.gov.uk)