

Following the publication of PPTS 2024, the definition of Gypsies and Travellers within the revised guidance has been broadened to be more inclusive. This updated definition aligns closely with the 'ethnic' definition used in this report, which identifies Gypsies and Travellers based on their cultural identity, heritage, and way of life. For practical purposes, the two definitions are considered equivalent, as both address the accommodation needs of these communities in a manner that respects their cultural practices and legal rights. This alignment ensures that the report's findings remain consistent with current national policy, allowing local authorities to address the identified needs effectively while adhering to the latest guidance under PPTS 2024. (RRR Consultancy, 20 January 2025)

Since the publication of the East Sussex GTAA, the terminology surrounding accommodation needs for Gypsies and Travellers has evolved to adopt a more inclusive language. The term 'psychological aversion' has been replaced by 'cultural preference' to better reflect the nuanced reasons why some Gypsies and Travellers living in bricks-and-mortar accommodation may require a pitch. This shift acknowledges that the desire for a pitch can stem not only from adverse psychological effects, but also from a broader cultural preference to live within a community that aligns with their traditions and way of life. Importantly, this change in terminology does not impact the accommodation needs identified in this assessment. (RRR Consultancy, 20 January 2025)