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The Gipsy Encampments (Designation of the Borough of Maidstone) Order 1987

Made - - - - -	*21st January 1987*
Laid before Parliament	*30th January 1987*
Coming into force	*20th February 1987*

Whereas it appears to the Secretary of State that adequate provision is made in the area of the Borough of Maidstone for the accommodation of gipsies residing in or resorting to that area:

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State on the joint application of the councils of the County of Kent and the Borough of Maidstone, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 12(2) of the Caravan Sites Act 1968**(a)**, and now vested in him**(b)**, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following order:—

1. This order may be cited as the Gipsy Encampments (Designation of the Borough of Maidstone) Order 1987 and shall come into force on 20th February 1987.

2. The area of the Borough of Maidstone is hereby designated as an area to which section 10 (prohibition of unauthorised camping in designated areas) of the Caravan Sites Act 1968 applies.

Nicholas Ridley,
Secretary of State for the Environment

21st January 1987

(a) 1968 c. 52; section 12 was substituted by section 175 of the Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 (c. 65).
(b) S.I. 1970/1681.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the order)

This order designates the area of the Borough of Maidstone as an area to which section 10 of the Caravan Sites Act 1968 applies.

The effect of designation is to make it an offence, within the designated area, for any gipsy to station a caravan for the purpose of residing for any period on any land within the boundaries of a highway, or on any other unoccupied land, or on any occupied land without the consent of the occupier.

Under section 11 of the Act (substituted by section 174 of the Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980), unlawfully stationed caravans and their occupants may be removed by order of a magistrates' court.

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