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The Gipsy Encampments (Designation of the Borough of Tonbridge and Malling) Order 1985

Made - - -	26*th June* 1985
Laid before Parliament	5*th July* 1985
Coming into Operation	27*th July* 1985

Whereas it appears to the Secretary of State that in all the circumstances it is not expedient to make adequate provision in the area of the Borough of Tonbridge and Malling for the accommodation of gipsies residing in or resorting to that Borough:

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State on the joint application by the councils of the County of Kent and the Borough of Tonbridge and Malling, 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 Tonbridge and Malling) Order 1985 and shall come into operation on 27th July 1985.

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

Patrick Jenkin,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

26th June 1985.

(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.
(c) 1968 c.52; in section 10 the fine was increased and converted to a level on the standard scale by sections 37, 38 and 46 of the Criminal Justice Act 1982 (c.48).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the order.)

This order designates the Borough of Tonbridge and Malling in the County of Kent 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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