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**The Gipsy Encampments (Designation of the districts
of Kennet, North Wiltshire, Thamesdown and West
Wiltshire) Order 1982**

<i>Made - - - -</i>	<i>25th January 1982</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>3rd February 1982</i>
<i>Coming into Operation</i>	<i>24th February 1982</i>

The Secretary of State, being satisfied on the joint application of the Councils of the County of Wiltshire, the districts of Kennet, North Wiltshire, Thamesdown and West Wiltshire that adequate provision appears to be made in the area consisting of the combined areas of those district councils for the accommodation of gipsies residing in or resorting thereto, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 12(2) of the Caravan Sites Act 1968(a), and now vested in him (b), hereby makes the following order:—

1. This order may be cited as the Gipsy Encampments (Designation of the districts of Kennet, North Wiltshire, Thamesdown and West Wiltshire) Order 1982, and shall come into operation on 24th February 1982.

2. The combined areas of the districts of Kennet, North Wiltshire, Thamesdown and West Wiltshire are hereby designated as an area to which section 10 (prohibition of unauthorised camping in designated areas) of the Caravan Sites Act 1968 applies.

25th January 1982.

Michael R. D. Heseltine,
Secretary of State for the Environment.

(a) 1968 c. 52.

(b) S.I. 1970/1681.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order designates the combined areas of the districts of Kennet, North Wiltshire, Thamesdown and West Wiltshire as an area to which section 10 of the Caravan Sites Act 1968 applies. The effect of designation is to make it an offence for a gipsy to station a caravan for the purpose of residing in it on highway land, unoccupied land or occupied land without the consent of the occupier. A magistrates court has power under section 11 of the 1968 Act, as amended by section 174 of the Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 (c.65.), to order the removal of unlawfully stationed caravans and their occupants.

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