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Dear LEP area ESI Funds Sub-committee members

You will recall my letter of 28 November 2017 in which I encouraged you to work with your local GRT representatives when developing future calls with the aim of introducing provision that addresses the issues they face and to increase participation in ESF by this customer group. I am pleased to be able provide you today with details of an award winning learning programme about issues affecting Gypsy, Roma and Traveller communities and contact details for organisations which are able to offer advice and support to you on engagement.

The charity Friends, Families and Travellers can be found by clicking this link [Gypsy Traveller](#). They have developed an online learning module which only takes 60-90 minutes to complete and which covers:

1. Gypsy and Traveller History and Culture;
2. Challenges faced by Gypsies and Travellers;
3. Positive Strategy – Accessing Services; and
4. Positive Strategy – Participation.

More information and a demo of the learning can be found [here](#). Please be aware that there is a small charge to access the learning, details of which are on the website.

Please also find below contact details of organisations which can offer advice and support on engagement with the Gypsy, Roma and Traveller communities:

Julia Minulescu  
Policy Advisor, Integration and Faith  
Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government  
2nd floor, Fry Building, 2 Marsham Street, London SW1P 4DF  
Email: [Julia.Minulescu@communities.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:Julia.Minulescu@communities.gsi.gov.uk) | Telephone: 0303 44 42443

National Federation of Gypsy Liaison Groups  
1-3 Ladygrove Mill, Ladygrove Road, Two Dales, Matlock, Derbyshire, DE4 2FG  
Web: < <http://www.nationalgypsytravellerfederation.org/> >  
Email: [natglg@outlook.com](mailto:natglg@outlook.com) | Telephone: 01629 732744

Friends, Families and Travellers  
Community Base, 113 Queens Road, Brighton, East Sussex, BN1 3XG  
Web: <https://www.gypsy-traveller.org/>  
Telephone: 01273 234 777 | Fax: 01273 234 778 | Wmail: [fft@gypsy-traveller.org](mailto:fft@gypsy-traveller.org)

Roma Support Group  
P.O. Box 23610, London, E7 0XB  
Web: <http://romasupportgroup.org.uk/>  
Telephone: 020 7607 2002 | Fax: 020 7607 2005 | Email:  
[info@romasupportgroup.org.uk](mailto:info@romasupportgroup.org.uk)

Traveller Movement  
The Resource Centre, 356 Holloway Road, London, N7 6PA  
Web: <http://travellermovement.org.uk/>  
Email: [info@travellermovement.org.uk](mailto:info@travellermovement.org.uk)

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Catherine Blair". The signature is written in a cursive style and is centered within a light gray rectangular box.

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