



Getting site audits right

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Boroughs should undertake an audit of existing pitches and sites, identifying:

- 1) areas of overcrowding
- 2) areas of potential extra capacity within existing sites
- 3) pitches in need of refurbishment.

Boroughs should plan to address issues identified in the audits.

Overcrowding

- Invisible and visible
- Accommodation needs assessments
- Waiting lists and pitch allocation policies



New pitches on existing sites




- Identify space on and around sites not being used
- Consultation with site residents
- Improve site layout and design
- Potential to reduce other costs

Refurbishment

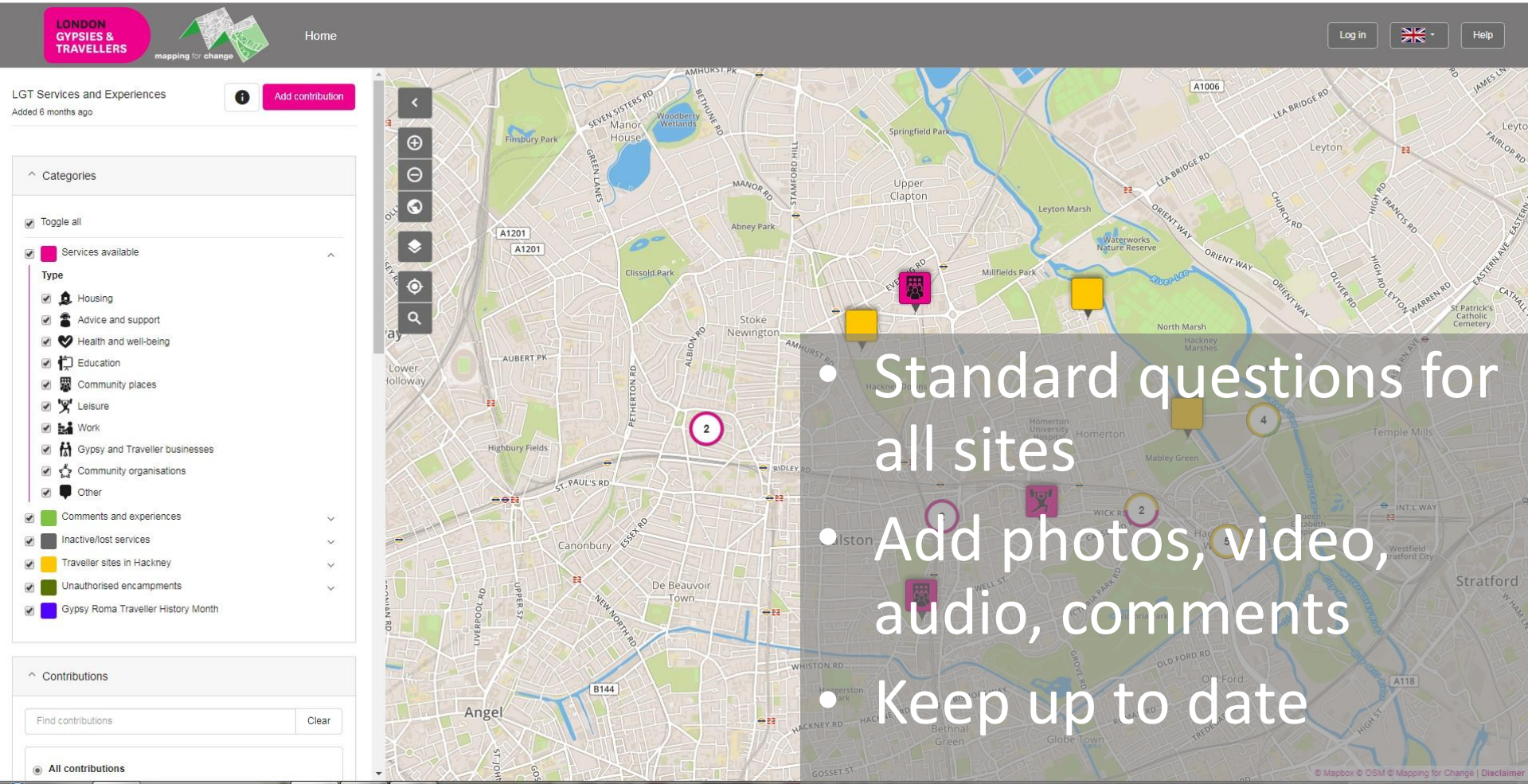
- Quality of build
- Drains and electricity
- Regular repairs and maintenance
- Site management



What's needed?

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- Community participation
 - Joint working between council departments
 - Transparent decision making

Ideas for a community site audit: Community map



The screenshot shows the 'LONDON GYPSIES & TRAVELLERS mapping for change' website. The header includes a logo, a 'Home' link, and buttons for 'Log in', a language selector (UK flag), and 'Help'. The main content area features a map of East London with several markers: a purple square with a house icon, a yellow square, a purple square with a person icon, and a yellow square. A semi-transparent text box is overlaid on the map with the following list:

- Standard questions for all sites
- Add photos, video, audio, comments
- Keep up to date

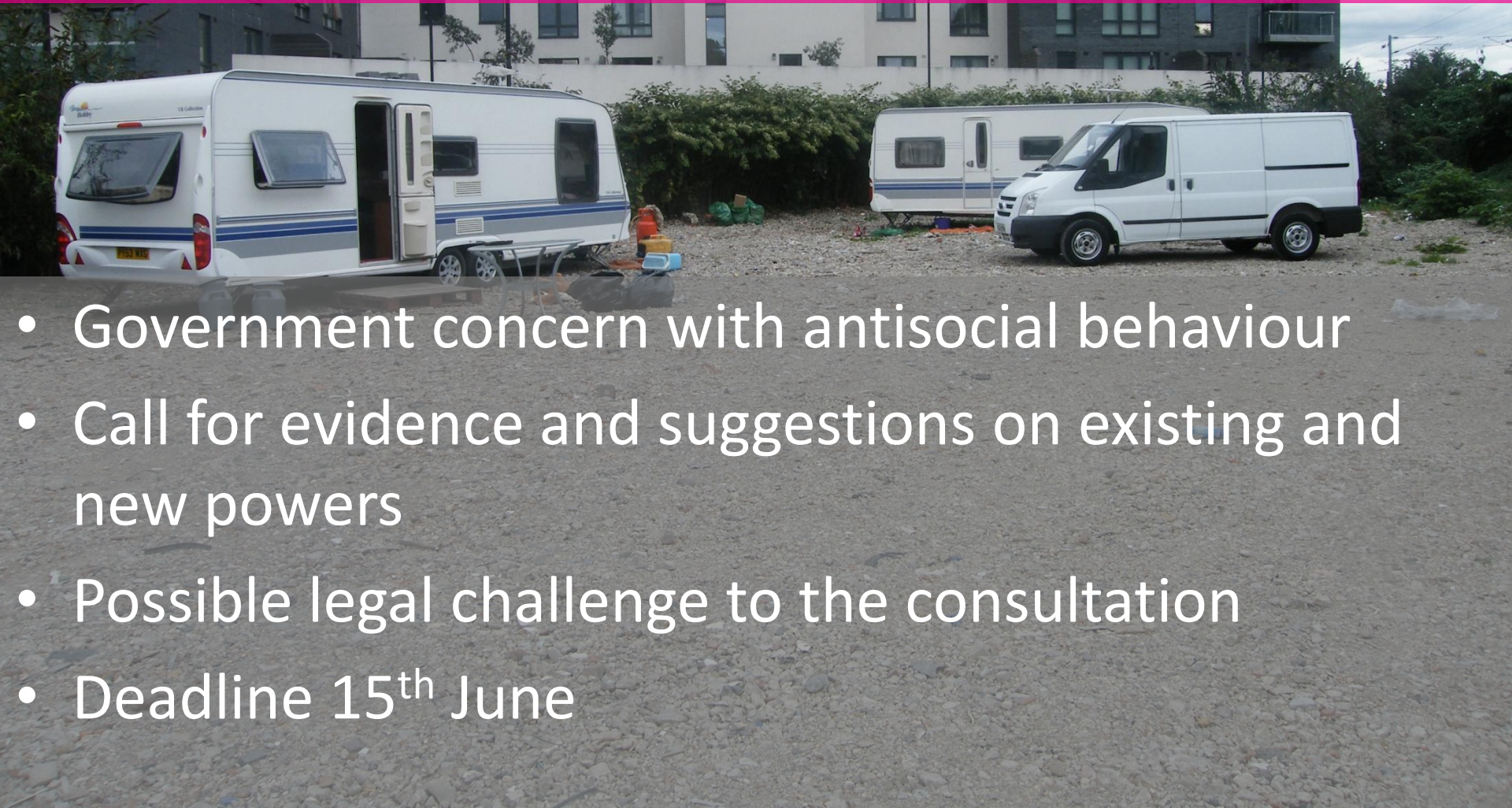
The left sidebar contains a 'Categories' section with a 'Toggle all' button and a 'Services available' filter. Under 'Type', there are checkboxes for: Housing, Advice and support, Health and well-being, Education, Community places, Leisure, Work, Gypsy and Traveller businesses, Community organisations, Other, Comments and experiences, Inactive/lost services, Traveller sites in Hackney, Unauthorised encampments, and Gypsy Roma Traveller History Month. At the bottom of the sidebar, there is a 'Contributions' section with a search bar and a 'Clear' button.

Discussion


What are your ideas for getting site audits right?

- How they should be done
- How often
- What to include
- How to address issues arising

Government consultation: Review of powers to deal with unauthorised encampments



- Government concern with antisocial behaviour
- Call for evidence and suggestions on existing and new powers
- Possible legal challenge to the consultation
- Deadline 15th June



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