## IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE KING'S BENCH DIVISION BEFORE THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE EYRE

## **Between:**

LONDON BOROUGH OF HAVERING

- and -

(1) WILLIAM STOKES (2) – (105) OTHER NAMED DEFENDANTS (106)PERSONS UNKNOWN FORMING UNAUTHORISED ENCAMPMENTS

WITHIN THE LONDON BOROUGH OF HAVERING

QB-2019-002737

Case no: QB-2019-002737

★ 28 Nov

## <u>ORDER</u>

Of the court's own motion and upon considering the documents in the case

## IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1) On or before 4.00pm on the day 28 days after the handing down by the Supreme Court of judgment in the case of *Wolverhampton City Council & Ors v London Gypsies and Travellers & Ors* (UKSC 2022/0046) the parties shall make such further written submissions as are advised in respect of the course to be adopted in this case in the light of the said decision of the Supreme Court.
- 2) The Claimant shall on or before 4.00pm on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2022 file with the court its submissions as to the appropriate means for this order to be served on the remaining named defendants and on the 106<sup>th</sup> defendants.

This order has been made without a hearing. Any party affected by this order may apply within 7 days of the service of this order on that party to have it set aside, varied, or stayed.

**REASONS** 

- 1) My judgment in this matter is partially prepared in draft.
- 2) I have, however, learnt that the Supreme Court is to hear the case of Wolverhampton City Council & Ors v London Gypsies and Travellers & Ors together with an appeal from the decision of the Court of Appeal in Barking & Dagenham LBC v Persons Unknown [2022] EWCA Civ 13 in February 2023. That is substantially sooner than the date in October 2023 which was anticipated at the time of the hearing before me to be the date when the Supreme Court would hear that case.

- 3) In those circumstances there is a real prospect that any judgment which I give in this matter could be given on a basis which is shortly afterwards demonstrated to be incorrect, in whole or in part, by reason of the decision of the Supreme Court.
- 4) It is accordingly appropriate for further work on the judgment to be suspended and for the parties to be given an opportunity to make further submissions in the light of the decision of the Supreme Court in due course.

Dated 28th November 2022