## Government consults on new police powers over unauthorised encampments

The Home Secretary is consulting on giving the police new powers "to arrest and seize the property and vehicles of trespassers who set up unauthorised caravan sites". The idea is to have something similar in our law to that used in the Republic of Ireland.

The Home Secretary said "The public want their communities protected and for the police to crack down on trespassers. Our proposals aim to ensure encampments can be challenged and removed as quickly as possible"