We often get requests from researchers who want to engage with Gypsy and Traveller communities. We are committed to supporting research which benefits community members. However, we may not have capacity to work with all of the researchers who come to us.

What is the process for requesting support?

If you are a researcher who would like to collaborate with York Traveller's Trust, please complete this form and email to info@ytt.org.uk

Please come to us as early as you can. We find collaborations work best when community members are part of shaping a project. However, we are happy to discuss research at any stage.

How do we decide which projects to support?

Requests will be reviewed by our staff. We expect all projects to contribute to our organisation's mission:

YTT aim to enhance the vibrant and resourceful Gypsy and Traveller Communities (GTC) in York and surrounding areas. We want to build a bridge between GTC and others to promote community cohesion and increase opportunities and life chances for all. YTT believes this is the most positive way to reduce inequalities and fight discrimination.

We particularly welcome projects which align with our community research priorities, which have come from community members:

- Mental health
- Care and support within communities
- Maternity services
- Child health and education
- Safe, culturally appropriate homes
- Projects which showcase assets and capacities within Gypsy and Traveller communities
- Tackling negative stereotypes and discrimination

If you're research doesn't fit within one of these areas, we are still happy to hear from you. We are open to new ideas and developing projects together.

If you're new to working with Gypsy and Traveller communities, you may find this short film useful.