

Address: Hill End Farm Wall Nook Lane Huddersfield HD8 8YB

About the application

Application number: 2021/62/91682/W	
What is the application for?:	Change of use from dwelling house (Class C3) to residential care home (Class C2)
Address of the site or building:	Wall Nooks, Wall Nook Lane, Cumberworth, Huddersfield, HD8 8YB
Postcode:	

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
Do you wish your comments to be published on the website anonymously?	No
I object to the proposed change of use application for the property Wall Nooks, Wall Nook Lane submitted on behalf Compass Children's Homes. As a resident on Wall Nook Lane with children I feel the site and position is completely inappropriate for a children's home. Even though we are a 2-parent family and both of us have cars, it has been a struggle to get our 2 children to school and local amenities because of the complete lack of public transport services and isolation of the address. The nearest train station is Shepley, and this is 2.6km away – a 30 min walk. Buses run infrequently along the A635 and the A629, but the nearest bus stop is 1km away. The nearest mainstream cinema is 9.7km away and takes over an hour to get to on public transport. Wall Nook Lane is a narrow road with no footpath, lots of potholes and is used as a rat run for traffic trying to avoid the busy road junction at the Sovereign garage. Due to the lack of street lighting many drivers assume it has the national speed limit and drive at high speed along the lane making it hazardous to pedestrians. I am also concerned about the risk to life and limb for emotionally vulnerable young people due to the deep stone quarry which is close to the property. The following statement in the application is misleading - “There are several small villages within a short distance of the application site offering a range of services and transport connections to the wider region; Shepley lies approximately 1km north; New Mill and Wooldale are just over 2km away to the west, and Upper Cumberworth and Denby Dale lie 2km and 4km respectively to the east.” However the actual distances for facilities they would require are as follows:- First Schools : Shepley 1.6km BirdsEdge 1.8km Upper Cumberworth 2.1km Wooldale 4.2km High Schools	

Shelley High School 5.8km
Holmfirth High School 5.2km

Shepley Coop 1.7km
Shepley Health Centre 2.0km

The application plan is also misleading in showing that there are already 6 car parking spaces at the property. There is currently a semi-circular track and no space just for parking cars. To create spaces for parking there would need to be extensive clearance of hedges, shrubs and trees which is specifically denied in section 10 of the application. There is simply no space for the number of vehicles that would be required for 7 people with additional staff as well at or near the property and the increased traffic would be very detrimental and unsafe to the locality and current residents.

There has also been a lack of adequate prior notice given to interested parties as no planning application notice has been posted on the lane and I believe only those properties with shared boundaries or those directly across the lane were given any warning of the application.

Yours,

Hill End Farm, Wall Nook Lane.