

DC Admin

From:
Sent: 16 May 2025 20:23
To: DC Admin
Subject: 2025/62/91205/W

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to formally object to the proposed application for the change of use of the property at 25 York Avenue, Huddersfield, HD2 2QU, into a children's home accommodating up to two vulnerable children with special needs.

While the intention to provide care for children in need is commendable, the location of this property raises serious concerns regarding the safety and suitability of the environment for vulnerable children. The area has ongoing issues with violence and drug-related activities, which pose a significant risk to children who may already be facing complex emotional and behavioural challenges. Placing vulnerable children in an area with such safety concerns contradicts the purpose of providing a secure and nurturing home.

Additionally, parking and access are already problematic in this residential area. Cars regularly park on both sides of the street, causing restricted access for residents and emergency vehicles. The application

states that there will be up to two staff members on-site at all times, alongside potential visits from social workers, therapists, and other professionals. Despite the claim of three available parking spaces, this increase in vehicle traffic will exacerbate existing parking issues and could create further disruption for residents.

Furthermore, there is a bus stop located directly next to 25 York Avenue. Currently, vehicles frequently park along the road, causing obstructions to buses and making it difficult for passengers to board and disembark safely. An increase in vehicle activity due to the proposed change of use will only worsen this issue, creating further inconvenience and potential safety risks for both bus users and other road users.

The proposed change of use would not only put vulnerable children at risk but would also have a detrimental impact on the local community's quality of life due to increased traffic, parking strain, and potential safeguarding concerns.

I kindly urge the council to carefully reconsider this application and explore alternative locations that would better serve the needs of the children without compromising their safety or placing additional strain on the local area.

Thank you for considering this objection.

Yours sincerely

Residents of 44, 48, 50, 27, York Avenue