



I wish to object to the continuing attempts to secure change of use for this property. It appears that the main change to this application from the previously refused applications is the use of a consultant to create a more polished application. However, the content of the application is the same as before. Changing the number of residents or creating parking policies or documentation about being a 'good neighbour' does not address the fundamental problems with this application. The issues which led to the refusal of previous applications has not changed.

The numbers of staff members along with the number of visitors or contractors required to support such a business will always be above what would be considered acceptable for a dwelling house which makes the establishment of a children's care home inappropriate for this quiet residential area. As many other residents have pointed out, parking will create issues as there is not sufficient parking on the property for the number of vehicles stated in the application. The company recommends that staff should not park outside the house but on neighbouring roads. Far View Crescent/Far View Bank is a cul-de-sac with an entrance/exit on a steep road with a sharp bend that is already difficult to enter and exit due to parked vehicles. There have been so many near misses already and safety issues connected to this should be considered. It is all well and good for the company to create staff recommendations regarding parking, but on a daily basis, the reality will be that these are ignored and the parking of cars wherever they want will create difficulties for other residents.

The inclusion of a good neighbour policy incorporating a detailed list of how to deal with issues and conflicts is an enormous red flag. The documentation states the residents will be children suffering from trauma, failed previous placements, relationship breakdowns and that a curfew will be in place. This does not reassure residents. Anti-social behaviour creating fear and anxiety for residents is a real concern with the mainly elderly residents of this area and obviously something the company anticipates. The house is not surrounded by any fence, wall, gate or way of securing the property which is in contradiction to what is stated in the supporting documents regarding entrance/exit control.

The main areas of objection remain the same as before:

The increased level of vehicle activity in a quiet residential area that is way beyond that of an average residential home.

The increased number of vehicles (not only cars) using quiet residential roads and the safety issues connected to this.

The increased number of parked vehicles causing issues for residents.

The distance to public transport requiring use of cars or taxis.

The unsuitability of the building for vulnerable children including a lack of secure outdoor space and house balcony.

The lack of facilities for children and young people in the area.

The potential for anti-social behaviour.

The safety and well-being of elderly and vulnerable residents of the area.