



Appeal Statement

Subject: 25 York Avenue, Huddersfield, HD2 2QU

My name is Mohammad Idriss, and I am the representative of Always Here Care Ltd. I am writing to formally appeal the recent planning decisions made by Kirklees Council regarding our proposed change of use and planning permission for the property at 25 York Avenue, Huddersfield, HD2 2QU.

Since September 2024, we have actively sought planning permission to establish a children's care home at the above address. Our initial application requested a change of use from Class C3 (dwelling house) to Class C2 (residential institution). This application was refused primarily on the grounds that a full-time manager would be based at the property.

In response to this feedback, we submitted a revised application. In this second proposal, we removed the manager's presence from the premises, with the intention for them to operate from a separate location. This amendment addressed the initial concern, and the application was accepted in principle by Kirklees Council. However, a new restriction was introduced—no carers would be permitted to sleep at the property, which is unfeasible for providing adequate 24-hour care to vulnerable children.

Subsequently, we submitted a full planning application. Unfortunately, this was refused again, this time based on advice from West Yorkshire Police, who suggested that the area is not suitable for a care home.

We strongly believe this decision does not reflect the evidence-based needs of the local community or the professional safeguards we have in place to ensure both child safety and neighbourhood harmony. Our proposal is to provide a safe, supportive, and professionally managed environment for children in care. We are committed to working in close partnership with all relevant authorities and have been responsive and proactive in adjusting our applications based on previous feedback.

We respectfully request that this appeal be reviewed with due consideration of our adjustments, intentions, and the broader social benefit of supporting vulnerable children within the community.