



## Meeting Summary - Visit from Kirklees Commissioner

**Date of Meeting:** 20/2/2025

**Time of Meeting:** 13:00

**Location:** 17 far View crescent, HD58ER

**Attendees:**

- Louise Dobson, Commissioner (contracts manager Children and Families, Kirklees Council)
- Emma Pyrah-Henry, Director, Lighthouse Care Residential
- Jessica-Corrales-Ruiz, Director, Lighthouse Care Residential
- Daniel Jones, Director, Lighthouse Care Residential
- Johnathon Haigh, Director, Lighthouse Care Residential

**Purpose of the Meeting:**

To provide the Kirklees Commissioner with an overview of the proposed children's home, its facilities, staffing model, and its suitability to meet local placement needs.

**Summary of Discussion:**

A site visit was conducted at the proposed children's home, operated by Lighthouse Care Residential, during which Louise Dobson, (contracts manager Children and Families, Kirklees Council, visited the property and met with the team. Ms. Dobson was provided with an overview of the company's vision, care model, and the personal motivations behind establishing the service. She remarked positively on the team's genuine commitment to providing high-quality care, stating that it was clear they were "in it for the right reasons."

In addition, Ms. Dobson noted that the home itself is an excellent environment for a children's residential setting, highlighting its modern build, spacious layout, generous internal space, and well-proportioned outdoor area. She commented that the property's design and condition make it well-suited to support the needs of children and young people and was confident in its potential to deliver a nurturing and safe setting once fully operational.

**Parking and Access:**

Ms. Dobson commented that the available parking, which includes space for five vehicles (two within a double garage and three on the driveway) is sufficient for a home of this size and function.

**Outcome:**

The meeting concluded on a highly positive note, with Ms. Dobson expressing clear support for the home and its potential to meet the needs of local children in care. She acknowledged the strengths of both the environment and the team behind the project. Ms. Dobson confirmed that she would be forwarding Lighthouse Care Residential's details to the Kirklees Placements Team, recognising the organisation as a prospective provider for future local authority placements.

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