

**Consultation Response from KC,  
Highways Development Management**

**2025/92103 17, Far View Crescent, Almondbury, Huddersfield, HD5 8ER**

**Change of use from dwelling (C3) to a children's home (C2)**

**Date Responded: 16/09/2025**

**Responding Officer: D. Stainsby**

**Responding Ref: K11-1SW/5**

RECOMMENDATION.

The proposals are considered acceptable to Highways Development Management.

This application seeks a change of use from dwelling (C3) to a children's home (C2) at 17 Far View Crescent, Almondbury, Huddersfield.

The proposal will accommodate no more than three children at any one time and the maximum number of staff on duty will be three.

Two previous certificate of lawfulness applications have been recently refused on the grounds that in terms of planning control, the use of the building as a residential institute involving the care of 3 children aged 5-17 looked after by 3 staff in the day and 2 at night as well as the presence of an office manager during the day in addition to the traffic movements relating to that residential institute use, was considered to be a material change of use from the current lawful use as a single dwellinghouse.

As a result, the change of use was considered to change the character of the property and it was recommended to refuse the certificate and a planning application for full consideration of all "planning" matters fully assessed.

Far View Crescent is a typical residential road consisting of detached residential properties. Access is taken via Far Bank Lane and Bank End Lane. No injury accidents have been recorded at the junction of Bank End Lane with Far Bank Lane.

Whilst there will be some additional trips associated with the use as a children's home, there is no evidence that the use will give rise to a greater level of disturbance than could be expected to be generated by a large family home.

In effect, the additional vehicle movements and parking requirements are of a sufficiently low level so as to remain within the parameters of what could be usually expected of a large family home.

The provision of waste collection will remain as existing and is unaffected by the proposals.

These proposals are therefore considered acceptable to Highways Development Management