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I'd like to strongly object to the proposed change of use at 102 Redwood Drive from a family home to a residential care home.

This is a quiet, family-friendly estate where people have lived for many years. Turning a house into a business like this would change the feel of the area and cause a lot of disruption for the people living nearby.

We've got a deed of covenant on this estate that says no business should be run from these houses, and nothing should be allowed that causes nuisance or annoyance to others on the estate. A care home would go against both of those.

My main concerns are:

- This house is at the end of the estate, so every vehicle connected to it (staff, taxis, visitors, and so on) will have to drive through the whole estate. That's a lot of extra traffic for what is currently a quiet street.
- Noise levels are bound to go up with people coming and going at all hours, which isn't fair on long-term residents who value the peace and quiet.
- Parking is already limited and the extra vehicles will make things worse.
- We're worried about safety and safeguarding. A website has already advertised the address, which raises serious questions about protecting vulnerable young people who might live there, and also about the safety of children and elderly people who already live nearby.
- Residents who work in care have pointed out some of the very real risks when homes like this are placed in unsuitable locations – including the potential for antisocial behaviour, drug use, and even exploitation. These are serious concerns, not just speculation.
- It also means the loss of another proper family home in the area at a time when they are already in short supply.

I know other residents have similar concerns, and it's not just about change – it's about what's appropriate for the area. This estate was built for families, not for businesses.

I hope you'll take all this into account and refuse the application.