



I am writing to formally object to the above planning application with the following specific points.

1. We moved to the estate knowing it to be a safe environment to live and bring up a family. The introduction of a children's home on the estate immediately disrupts the safe environment me and my family live in, have invested in and pay a premium to live in.

2. The change of use in 102 Redwood Drive is completely at odds with the quiet residential area we all live in with a private members club serving those residents.

3. I am extremely concerned about increased antisocial behaviour on the estate that has been shown to follow once a children's home is opened up in an area. Again destroying the safe environment the residents currently enjoy. There have already been issues with anti social behaviour at the top of the estate, so as much as I'm very concerned from a safeguarding perspective for children living on the estate, the children being housed will also be at risk.

4. Anticipated increased traffic to and from 102 Redwood Drive at all times of day and night is another concern. All traffic will have to pass our house as the estate only has one route in and out. Due to the nature of the change in use there will be more physical people coming and going along with what could be a significant number of professional visitors.

5. Having a children's home on the estate will bring increased exposure to crime either directly or indirectly from the unwanted visitors that will also start to visit the property. The privacy we experience today will be lost. Unlike traditional residential properties this commercial use introduces an unpredictable element of intrusion that is in direct conflict with the established environment of what is essentially a residential cul-de-sac.

6. The change in use is likely to adversely affect the neighbours at 100 Redwood Drive, also 11 and 15 Brier Hill View who could experience increased noise levels and increased traffic potentially impacting their own ability to be able to park.

7. I am also concerned that approving this change in use sets a precedent for other similar types of applications, especially as the applicants own other properties on the estate too.

8. There are Deed of Covenant restrictions in place that prevent properties being used for business purposes.

In light of these points I strongly urge the council to reject this application in order to keep the estate as a safe community that protects the residents of today and tomorrow.