

Dear Elenya,

Re: 2025/92785- Change of use of dwelling to children's care home facility at 90 Birchencliffe Hill Road, Lindley, Huddersfield, HD3 3NH

Thank you for your request for consultation on the above application. The comments are made with the intention of reducing opportunities for future crime which addresses our collective responsibilities outlined in Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, by creating safe and secure developments where people will want to reside, visit or work.

The comments and recommendations are supported by the following guidance:
NPPF National Planning Policy Framework (Section 8. Promoting healthy and safe communities) <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-planning-policy-framework--2>

Kirklees Council Planning and development policy

<https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-and-development.aspx>

Kirklees Development Plan <https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-policy/local-plan.aspx>

Secured by Design www.securedbydesign.com

Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)

The Children's Homes (England) Regulations 2015

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2015/541/contents>

West Yorkshire Police Missing Persons - Force Policy

<https://www.westyorkshire.police.uk/about-us/policies-and-procedures/policies/crime-and-safeguarding/missing-persons>

I have reviewed the application and supporting documentation available via the Planning Portal. I have also conducted pertinent checks on Police databases and liaised with relevant internal partners.

The proposal is to accommodate 2 to 3 children, with 2 staff members on duty in the daytime and overnight.

West Yorkshire Police **do not support** this application due to safeguarding concerns.

Should the planning permission be granted, the applicant is encouraged to devise a Missing from Home strategy as it is currently absent from the Management Plan.

Kind regards,

Agnieszka Boryn
Designing Out Crime Officer
Kirklees District