

About the application

Application number: 2026/90484	
What is the application for?:	Change of use from dwelling to C2 for 4 children, erection of first floor extens
Address of the site or building:	143, Church Lane, Gomersal, Cleckheaton, BD19 4QN
Postcode:	LS27 7HB

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
Do you wish your comments to be published on the website anonymously?	Yes
I wish to formally object to the planning application for the proposed Children's Home to be located within a fully residential area. My objection is based on concerns regarding parking provision and the broader impact of operating what is effectively a business within a residential neighbourhood. Parking: The plans propose only two car parking spaces for the property. Given the anticipated ratio of staff to children when the home is fully occupied, in addition to potential visitors such as family members, friends, delivery services, and professional visitors (e.g. social services), it is highly likely that additional roadside parking will be required. Staff shift changes are also likely to contribute to increased vehicle movements. Church Lane is already an extremely busy road and is well known locally for issues with speeding traffic, as evidenced by regular police monitoring and enforcement. During the current development works, vehicles parked outside the property have already created a dangerous blind spot, which has impeded safe egress from The Coppice. It is reasonable to expect that this situation may continue or worsen if parking demand exceeds the limited on-site provision. Impact on the Residential Environment: Although the application states that the development is intended to provide a "home" environment for the children, the proposal does not reflect the typical residential character of this area. Properties within this neighbourhood generally have sufficient off-street parking to accommodate residents and visitors. Furthermore, an increase in footfall and vehicle activity could negatively affect the privacy and security of nearby residents. For these reasons, I respectfully request that the planning authority carefully consider the potential impact of this proposal on parking, road safety, and the character of the surrounding residential area.	