

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	
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Loss of Privacy and Overlooking for the neighbouring homes We have significant concerns regarding privacy and overlooking. The layout of the property, combined with its large floor-to-ceiling windows on the front elevation and the positioning of upper-floor circulation spaces such as the landing, would result in clear and direct sightlines towards neighbouring homes and gardens. It will also result in clear invasions of privacy of already vulnerable children. The proposed use would involve multiple residents and staff regularly occupying these areas throughout the day and night, which would substantially increase the potential for overlooking compared to the existing use as a single private dwelling. This would materially reduce the level of privacy currently enjoyed by neighbouring properties, particularly given the close proximity between the two houses. Policies within the Kirklees Local Plan and national guidance within the National Planning Policy Framework require development proposals to safeguard the residential amenity of neighbouring occupiers and prevent unacceptable levels of overlooking or loss of privacy. In our view, the proposed change of use would significantly intensify activity within the property and create a harmful level of overlooking and loss of residential privacy for adjoining residents.	