About the application

Application number: 2026/91877	
What is the application for?:	Change of use of dwelling (Class C3) to children's residential home (Class C2)
Address of the site or building:	14, Howard Avenue, Lindley, Huddersfield, HD3 3DJ
Postcode:	HD5 8TE

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
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I am writing as a local resident to raise objections to the application 2026/62/91877/w to convert 14 Howard Avenue, Lindley HD3 3DJ from a domestic dwelling to a children residential care home. The below points form the framework of my objections.

Suitability of site. The dwelling is a semi detached property that has been extended and sits close to its existing boundary. It shares a party wall and has neighbouring properties on both sides and at its rear. Changing the use of this domestic dwelling to a 24hrs residential care home will impact on these neighbours through noise, traffic, anti social behaviour, waste management. For example, within the additional information the applicant has stated chimed door bells will be installed to alert staff when children or visitors come and go. The noise created from these devices could be considered acceptable during the day. However, during the night, this noise will be nuisance for neighbours and could disturb their sleep.

Proposed parking. The 3 proposed parking arrangements on the application is misleading, as at present the third space results in the vehicle protruding over the highway. The proposed parking for 3 motorbikes would have to be at the rear of the site, as drive cannot safely accommodate 3 vehicles. The restriction of 1 visitor vehicle per visit is unrealistic and unmanageable. Therefore, additional visitors vehicles will be parked on an already congested road, creating parking enforcement issues.

Vehicle access and parking. Howard avenue requires permits to park on the road due to existing parking concerns within the local area. The introduction of a commercial business will add vehicles to an already congested road. Vehicles arriving throughout the night and during shift changeover will create disturbance. Taking into account the additional information supplied by the applicant on the number of shift patterns, this would equate to 4 vehicles per shift change, 3 shift changes per 24hr period. Encouraging the use of public transport is not a realistic control measure.

Antisocial Behaviour – There is insufficient detail within the application regarding how antisocial behaviour arising from children and visitors will be managed. Concerns already exist in relation to the current use of the property, with visitors frequently parking across neighbouring driveway entrances and obstructing residents' access. The application does not adequately demonstrate what measures will be put in place to prevent or address such behaviour and minimise its impact on neighbouring occupiers.

Site security for both the occupants and residents. What will be the arrangements and who has overall responsibility. Its unclear within the application if the applicant will be managing the residential care home or will this management responsibility be undertaken by somebody else or company. Furthermore, no engagement has been made from the applicant with the residents to alleviate our concerns and to explain his intentions at the property.