

About the application

Application number: 2026/91972	
What is the application for?:	Change of use from public house (Sui Generis) to children's day nursery (Class E
Address of the site or building:	Silent Woman Hotel, Nabbs Lane, Slaithwaite, Huddersfield, HD7 5AU
Postcode:	HD7 5AG

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
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I wish to formally object to the proposed use of the premises on the grounds that it will exacerbate existing traffic congestion, create additional safety risks, and further strain an already problematic road network in this area.

The recent introduction of double yellow lines along one side of Church Street has already displaced a significant number of parked vehicles. These vehicles now occupy Nabbs Lane and Howgate Road throughout most of the day, forming a continuous line from the junction with Bankgate up past the junction with Howgate Road. This displacement has materially worsened traffic flow and visibility.

At school drop off and collection times, the situation becomes extremely difficult to navigate. Vehicles travelling down Holme Lane routinely have to wait before the Howgate Road junction to allow oncoming traffic through. The junction itself is blind; drivers pulling out of Howgate Road cannot see around the corner and must edge out in the hope that there is space to move into if another vehicle approaches. Any increase in traffic volume will intensify these hazards and increase the likelihood of collisions.

The nursery is positioned directly on the Bankgate/Church Street junction. It is unclear where vehicles will be able to park safely for drop off and collection. The impact of similar facilities is already evident from Merrydale Nursery across the road, where staff parking extends down Church Street and onto Howgate Road, often resulting in double parking on both sides of the road and causing significant disruption.

This route is regularly used by lorries accessing the canal side. Large HGVs frequently become stuck after following sat nav directions, creating blockages and requiring manoeuvres that further compromise safety. Introducing additional traffic associated with the proposed use will worsen these issues and increase risks for pedestrians, residents, and road users.

For these reasons, I believe the proposed use of the premises will materially worsen congestion, visibility, and road safety in an area already under considerable strain.