

About the application

Application number: 2026/92192	
What is the application for?:	Change of use of residential dwelling (Use Class C3) to children's home accommod
Address of the site or building:	57, Adelphi Road, Marsh, Huddersfield, HD3 4BB
Postcode:	HD3 4BB

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In the management plan of this application point 7 states -

"There is a recognised shortage of suitable residential children's placements within the Kirklees district, which frequently results in children being placed outside the borough, away from family networks, education and community support. This proposal directly responds to this need by providing a local, high-quality, Ofsted regulated placement, supporting Kirklees Council's objectives of keeping looked after children within their local communities wherever possible."

However the Children's Commissioning Manager for Kirklees Children's Services states " There is a significant over provision of children's homes in Kirklees that far exceeds our children's home placement needs. We have seen a significant growth in new children's homes opening over the last three years. The over provision of children's home provision in Kirklees leads to children from other local authorities being placed in Kirklees, this is not in line with the government policy - Keeping Children safe, helping families thrive."

This clearly states that point 7 of the management plan is untrue and further children's homes are not currently required in Kirklees.

Increased traffic and noise is inevitable when staff shift changes occur, also visitors such as social workers, medical staff, police etc. These may also take place in unsocial hours, causing a disturbance to surrounding properties. The application states that cars will park behind the property, which is currently a quiet lane used by residents walking to and from their properties and is also used by children playing out, this increase in regular traffic is a safety concern.

If any clinical waste is generated at the property, this will need collecting by a company aside from the general bin collection team, again further disturbance to surrounding properties.

A lot of children, the majority on their own, walk past this property going to and from the local junior and high schools. Will they continue to be safe, taking into account the children's home maybe used for a child with emotional behaviour, which therefore could have unpredictable behaviour at times.

This property is adjoined to another property, which is likely to be greatly disturbed, as are other surrounding properties and neighbouring properties with the coming and going of staff, vehicles, visitors etc.

This property was built as a residential family home, in a quiet residential area and therefore the location to use this property as a children's home is fundamentally unsuitable for this particular use and should be rejected.