Comments for Planning Application DC/24/0123/FUL

Application Summary

Application Number: DC/24/0123/FUL

Address: Airedale 26 Hamlet Road Haverhill Suffolk CB9 8EH

Proposal: Planning Application - change of use of dwelling (class C3) into children's care home

(class C2)

Case Officer: Gregory McGarr

Customer Details

Name: Mr Tim Murgatroyd

Address: 28 Hamlet Road, Haverhill, Suffolk CB9 8EH

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

- Noise

- Other

- Parking issues
- Plan queries
- Residential Amenity
- Traffic or Highways

Comment: As residents we are aware that Area Camden may submit revised plans to address the objections raised with regards to the parking proposals within this application.

Amended plans will not change the issues raised and the applicant has not fully considered the impact the change of use will have on the rear access lane for residents. Safe and suitable access to the site cannot be achieved for all users.

Do Area Camden question upon reflection the suitability of this property with them having viewed a commercial property with parking that has come on to the market in Hamlet Road a few weeks ago or are we to be subjected to another future application from them.

If the present use of two, parking spaces is submitted this itself does not address the safety issues of cars in a garden area to be used by children. The laws relating to this situation are greatly different to that of residential use.

We have the right to be able to protect and restrict in our own individual ways the use of our property being the private land which we all part own forming the Rear Access Lane.

We do not know the full impact of Number 40 Hamlet Road as yet but the photographic evidence proves that parking is going to be an issue with staff already parking on Hamlet Road and the home is not yet at full capacity. Add another home that cannot provide adequate access or parking for the services it requires and the effect on residents will greatly affect the quality of life afforded to them.

The development control committee stated on a previous application that neighbors do not get to vet potential residents, but this application is asking for change of use to commercial therefore the definition is not that of a family home. In a family home environment, the natural progression is for children to grow, mature and most then leave home, but the impact of a commercial home means that there will always be children on a permanent rotation and the impact this will bring.

Having worked in the emergency services and had contact with homes of this nature I fully understand and have seen the impact on communities they can have. Having two homes of the same nature in such proximity to each other and having a supported housing facility in the same road is all to the detriment and safety of vulnerable children. This area may be able to accommodate one property of the proposed purpose but two is highly questionable and saturation of the area.