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Leek

ST13 8DQ

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Ref to Planning Application SMD/2021/0290

Site address: Nab Hill House, Leek, ST13 8EF

Applicants name: Compass Children's Homes

Agent name: Tetra Tech Planning

Proposal: Change of Use

My objections to this proposal:

Our main concern regarding this proposal is related to nuisance, noise and litter, and the knowledge that teenagers with behavioural problems could be out at night time and weekends on their own or in groups almost on our doorstep.

Our home is no. 98 and we are right across from the Car Park. This is a parking area already and is a natural place where people gather. There is only a hedge boundary between us, which although mature and hawthorn, is easily penetrated in places. The thought of young men roaming around during the night is very disconcerting. With only 2 staff on duty during the night, we cannot see there being adequate supervision.

Our house is approx. 4 metres below the level of the proposed car park and our garden is banked up in sections. Any noise from the car park area will drop quickly down to our level.

Having lived here for 40 years with limited security, our next move would have to be to upgrade the security of the house and garden.

What we would like is some assurance from you that we are worrying needlessly and the issues raised here will be unfounded.

Some of the children cared for by Compass Homes are classed as emotionally vulnerable and without the correct supervision of these children we will start to feel vulnerable ourselves.

Other issues raised by neighbours in North Street, we are in complete agreement.

Mr A and Mrs D.M. Gilman