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Submission: Objection

Comments: Having looked at the details closely it is clear that there are inconsistencies and inaccurate information throughout the application which is very concerning for such a proposal. The company applying is newly incorporated and the directors appear to have no prior experience of running a Childrens Home. The estate is quiet and very family orientated and has very few episodes of anti-social behaviour. There is however a high concentration of vehicles on the estate and the roads do get very busy particularly around the school commute times. With multiple cars parked in the road and heavy road traffic use I feel this could be quite dangerous for the residents who have emotional behavioural difficulties and/or Learning Disabilities. There is a childrens play area located within about 20 yards of the property which is aimed at and used by young children from the estate. Unfortunately this will be a natural place for the new residents to gather and this is very likely to deter local families from using the facility. It is also noted that curfews stipulated in the application suggest staff on site are not expected to get to bed until 11 pm when the residents are safely back home. I therefore fear this scenario will lead to anti-social behaviour in the community and will have an adverse impact on the other children locally. I am firmly against the proposal and feel there would be better locations for the Childrens Home other than Coleridge Drive. I believe the property has been identified by the company based purely on its size without any real consideration for its location and importantly the needs of its residents. I believe alternative sites could offer a safer environment for residents whilst providing greater amenities and better/closer transport links.

Finally, I am very disappointed that the council did not make me aware of this planned change of use of a neighbouring residential property and I only found out by chance a few days before the determination date.

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