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Submission: Objection

Comments: Being the parent of 2 children that have been in the care system with previous behavioural problems I sincerely object to having further children on my doorstep as this property is directly opposite to my property. I am fully aware of the types of children that would likely be moved into this property and where I see they need to live somewhere I do not feel this is the ideal road for them. This is a residential area with very few walk to amenities and as this will be an open door property so they can walk out at any point they would have no where to go. There is a park at the end of the street that has been mentioned but is out of age range for the children looking to be taking up residence as it is for upto 9 year olds only. There are other facilities there but are for adults and children under supervision. It is often unmanned unless someone has booked the pitches.

We have had previous member in our road that fostered children. We had countless problems with 2 children as they had the same behaviour problems as this application describes and hence being in care. One boy would wander the streets, walk into anyones property and would not see why we did not feel that was acceptable. The other caused countless problems being brought back by police.

The residential area has very few children to be around and many are old as the road has many bungalows. The property although has 7 bedrooms has little to no garden at the front as its converted for parking and the triangular garden at the back is not going to be sufficient for any meaningful play area. Where I am not against that I do feel children with behaviour problems could upset the dynamics of the road and cause more disruption to a harmonious area to live. I have lived here 27 years and this road is already notorious for parking problems and where the property application states there is room for 5 vehicles I note it would be in blocking others that all these spaces could be used and at shift change over that cars would be parked outside of the property thus causing 12, 14 and 16 issues on getting on and off drives as this has previously been a big issue and vehicle damage sustained. We have multiple photos at hand to show the parking problems received in the past and although was always told they would always use the drive they have not and people even left cars there for whole weeks when not working. The road is quite a narrow road and if 1 car parked on the road then emergency vehicles have problems in gaining access when needed without 'workers' vehicles being there. As the property will be open house I have fears for my childrens safety as they are easily influenced and I will no longer feel it safe for them to be outside without a parent, go to the park on their own or our neighbours house further up the road that they have been able to do.

The property was 'recently' purchased by 'Max' and he told us on countless occasions that he and his wife were going to be moving in. We knew there were 7 bedrooms and he said he was 'downsizing' to this. We were not sure of what he was telling us and only when people from companies looking to house these children did I speak to them and find out his plans. We feel completely out of sorts as we were told lie after lie for months when he was renovating the property at all times of day and night on any day of the week.

Hence the property has already been renovated before this application has been submitted and having now read the environmental inspectors report we have concerns that no acoustic noise reduction has been built into the property.

My other personal concern is that the bedrooms are mainly on the front of the property and that is directly

facing my living room and only in the last few years extended our property due to the needs of our children needing bedrooms of their own. This type of property is going to reduce the value of my property for sure as who actually wants to knowingly purchase a property opposite one for children with behavioural problems. We love where we live and do not wish to have to move due to this and I'm sure many of my fellow residents feel the same.

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