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Submission: Objection

Comments: I object to the application to change the use of the currently vacant John Munroe Hospital from a Class C2 into a Class C2A.

It is not acceptable to submit an application to change the facilities use without fully explaining and providing any specific details on what and who the proposed secure accommodation will be used for. The classification of C2A is wide ranging and includes the use as a prison, young offenders institution, a detention centre or a secure hospital.

Once change of use has been approved the applicant has authority to use the site for any one of those purposes. No Risk Assessment has been completed within the application which would detail the level of supervision and security needed for the proposed residents as either high, medium or low category security and should detail the specific needs the hospital would provide support for.

The site is 150 yards away from the village Primary School and a similar proximity to the Horton Lodge special school. It is also surrounded by residential properties. Please reject this application until further assurances can be obtained that the use of the site will not pose a risk to residents now or in the future.

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