

I have only just heard about this proposal. I live in a house [redacted] and I think the way
least you could have done is informed me personally instead of just posting a notice on a tree.
I am writing to object to the proposed development at 24 Lady Margaret Road on the following
grounds:

1. Object to the proposed development
- I strongly feel that the proposal to change 24 Lady Margaret Road from an HMO (housing exchange
student to a children's home - which I understand will typically host 14 to 16 year old teenagers) seemed too
sudden to be hosted in a housing environment - does not take the complex needs of these young people
properly into consideration.



- The care provider appears wholly unsuitable. There is a lack of therapeutic areas and facilities in the plans
and there are only two part-time staff proposed. This can in no way be enough resource to care for a group of
young people. The part-time staff would suggest that the young people would be largely unsupervised.
Further, the proposal is concerning that the property owners are not experienced at running homes, have no
qualifications in this area - also understand that the property manager is not a recognised
specialist with an Ofsted track record.

- The plans themselves suggest seven bedrooms, but do not specify how many would be shared
bedrooms. The seven bedrooms would be too cramped to provide care for young people with complex needs.
The plans also propose erecting a separate building in the back garden which
shows that the accommodation is not for housing a large group of children and staff. If a building were to be
erected, this would further reduce the outdoor space - assume that outdoor garden space we can be a
fundamental necessity for children and this further illustrates the unsuitability of the property for the proposed
development.

- There has been no consultation with the local community about this proposed application. It is also
sad to say that the application has been put through at the height of the current crisis, with the
decision to be made before the end of the August Bank Holiday weekend. Many more children are being
looked after than ever before, and have been asked to have the school not had the chance to
raise concerns or objections. In the course of the review these decisions and to engage with the wider local
community as much as possible. I understand that some in the community have asked the council for further
information and clarity, but this has not been.

- I do not think that the suitability of the area has been properly assessed. This neighbourhood is, by and large, populated by families with young children and is therefore not at all suitable for an entrepreneur and adult children's retail unit. Where is the area area of professional or a useful use for young people who may have experienced severe trauma and at a cost represent a threat to themselves and to others in the community.

These houses have attracted trouble to neighbours through drug use, noise (late night police calls, petty crime and general disruption to the community. do appreciate there is an acute need for these houses across the UK, but I think that these young people would be better housed in homes outside of the city centre.

- We are concerned that this ill-thought out process will lead to significant disruption to the area. I understand that there was a children's home - similar to the one being proposed - on Foxford Road. From local neighbours, I have been informed that it became a house for drug dealing, noise and additional nuisance. This previous experience would clearly support that this is not a suitable area for another such operation.

Conservation Area
- The application proposes erecting a separate building in the back garden. The design of the development is not at all in keeping with the conservation area and poses significant harm to the traditional character of the area.
- The proposed building does not respect local context and character; it doesn't preserve or enhance the historic environment and heritage assets and it does not integrate well with the surrounding streetscape as required in the Cherwell Local Plan Policy D7. It would be detrimental to the street scene.
- Further, the proximity to the street has buildings in their back gardens, its likely out of character with the area and sets a worrying precedent.
- Erection of this separate building would require felling at least one healthy tree - a fully live in the garden. This has not been included in the plans. These plans also reduce existing garden space which we know is valuable for wildlife, the environment and wellbeing.

Effect of Design and Size
- Due to the proposed development's bulk and prominence it would cause overdevelopment of the site. The scale, massing and height of the proposed development would have a harmful effect on the amenity of my neighbours' living space and garden. Where there is currently a green space, the application proposes filling it. The proposed development's proximity and large scale will make my neighbours' a less attractive place to live.
- The proposed extension for the foundations of the building may pose a risk to the foundations of neighbouring properties. There is also a concern that the disturbance of ground during the building process could lead to potential subsidence of nearby buildings. This is an area which is already at risk of subsidence.

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and thin e-shell clay layers.

4. Impact of vehicle age

- I am informed that an operation of this kind will require permanent parking for four to six cars (for staff, management and visitors). The proposed development will add further strain to parking provision in this area. I am also concerned that this requirement has not been properly included in the application.

4. Omission and Error

-> There is second information overall in the application. A proposal of this scale should provide information on the number of children/beds, provision of care and therapeutic facilities, and OHCOM registration etc.

4- The proposed building has a toilet planned. In essence, this makes the building a dwelling. It is not confirmed what exactly this building will be used for, and whether this will be another bedroom, completely separate living accommodation or staff quarters/room used by numerous people.

4. I am concerned that the application has not been completed with due care and attention. I believe

* the proposal will not result in the loss of residential garden land. This is incorrect as the proposal is to erect a building in the garden.

* no new water connections are required. This is incorrect as the building in the garden will have a toilet and therefore require a water connection.

* the application form states that foul sewage will be disposed of via the mains sewers, but that it will not be connected to the existing drainage system. I don't think both these facts can be true.

I hope you will take all of the above points into consideration, and I request that planning application is refused.

Yours sincerely

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I wish to strongly object to this planning application

There are many elderly residents with various health issues living adjacent to these premises. The impact of noise from troubled young people and the likelihood of anti social behaviour is likely to cause distress and anxiety. Prior experience of a local children's home in nearby Tildon Road has shown the impact this can have on a quiet residential street. Constant noise, arguments, littering and police presence will severely impact on residents' right to quiet enjoyment of their homes. Elderly residents and those with young children may become fearful of leaving their homes, resulting in isolation.

factories on site which makes me feel there would be a lack of care.

I believe this to be a wholly unsuitable site for this kind of facility and urge you to reject this proposal.

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2021/2911/0	Bonnie Evers	27/06/2021 10:13:42	080	Dear councillor, I hope this email finds you well. I wanted to object on grounds of increased crime in the conservation area. Also, I wanted to point out how inappropriate the timetable is for objections and the astonishing lack of details in the application. The latter means it's difficult to understand who the new Home is intended for. The former shows how little the Council cares what people think. Kind regards,	02/09/2021 09:10:03