

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 04/06/2025 9:02 AM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	19 The Fairway Gravesend Kent DA11 7LN
Proposal:	Change of use from a dwellinghouse to a children's residential care home.
Case Officer:	Ms Amanda Cue

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED] The Fairway Gravesend

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to express my strong concerns regarding the planning application proposing the change of use of the above property from a private residence (Class C3) to a children's residential care facility (Class C2).

While I recognise the vital role such care homes play in supporting vulnerable children, I have serious reservations about the suitability of this particular location. The proposed use could fundamentally alter the character of our quiet, residential street and bring about a number of practical issues for existing residents.

The change in use is likely to increase levels of activity and disruption, including higher volumes of traffic, more frequent visitors (including professionals, carers, and service providers), and greater noise levels. Although the application refers to two parking spaces at the front of the property and additional on-street parking, the parking provision is extremely limited, particularly given the end-of-terrace layout and lack of side access. On-street parking is already scarce and often involves vehicles partially blocking driveways or dropped kerbs. The additional demands associated with eight staff members, as referenced in the updated planning documents, could overwhelm local parking capacity and heighten congestion, posing risks to both children and elderly residents.

The response from Kent Police raises valid concerns around the potential for anti-social behaviour linked to such facilities. This is particularly troubling given the peaceful nature of our neighbourhood, where such issues are currently rare. I would like clarification on whether the applicant intends to follow the recommendations laid out by Kent Police to mitigate these risks.

I am also concerned about the noise impact the proposed change may cause, both generally and as a result of re purposing the existing outbuilding. Details about how this space will be renovated, how it will function, and when this work is planned remain vague. Confusion also arises regarding the use of this space for secure bicycle storage, which seems at odds with its stated purpose in the

application.

Further clarity is needed on the intended use of the ground floor, particularly the reference to an "office space" at the rear. The submitted plans suggest a single open-plan kitchen/living area, not a separate room.

In addition, the building works that have taken place over recent months have already caused significant disruption to neighbours, with little regard shown for the surrounding community. This raises concerns about ongoing impacts and whether a respectful relationship with local residents would be maintained if the care home were to become operational.

Finally, there is very limited public information available about Super Young Minds, the organisation behind this application. Greater transparency around the nature of their services, staffing, ethos, and safeguarding protocols would be appreciated, particularly given the sensitive context of the proposed care model.

In light of all of these issues, I respectfully object to the application and urge the planning authority to consider the wider implications for our neighbourhood. I would also welcome more detailed responses to the concerns raised above as part of the consultation process.

Kind regards