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Date: 30 January 2025

Our Ref: AC

Application - GB/20250016

Location - 73 Beaumont Drive, Northfleet, Gravesend, Kent DA11 9NN

Proposal - Change of use of a residential house to a children's home.

Thank you for your consultation in relation to the above planning application. I have the following comments to make with respect to highway matters :-

The proposals are for the change of use from a residential dwelling to a Children's Home, which will accommodate two children aged between 10 and 17. I note from the application form that the children's home will be staffed 24 hours a day. No details have been provided regarding the number of staff expected on site at any given time and this is required to work out the parking provision.

One electric vehicle charging point is also recommended, to future proof the sustainability of the site.

Secure, enclosed cycle storage should be provided, and this should include provision for both staff and residents.

The driveway is existing, however, confirmation should be provided to clarify that the required approval has been granted for the dropped kerb. If the dropped kerb does not already have the necessary approval, the applicant would need to contact the Vehicle Crossing team at Kent County Council

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/highway-permits-and-licences>

2m x 2m pedestrian visibility splays should be provided and maintained behind the footway on both sides of the access, with no obstructions over 0.6m above footway level.

I look forward to further information being submitted to assist me in determining this application from a highway perspective.

Yours faithfully

Director of Highways & Transportation

*This is a statutory technical response on behalf of KCC as Highway Authority. If you wish to make representations in relation to highways matters associated with the planning application under consideration, please make these directly to the Planning Authority.