

Planning Statement

Change of Use 32 Minstead Ave, Kirkby, L33 5YF

The property

This house will be used as a medium to long term Ofsted registered residential home for young people who may exhibit social, emotional, and behavioral challenges of all genders between the ages of 7- to 17-year-olds. The house will provide accommodation for one young person at a time. The young person will be provided with their own bedroom to ensure they feel safe and have their own personalised environment. This will promote a family residential home living setting while nurturing young people and ensuring their early life outcomes are achieved. The house will have 2 staff members 24/7. In addition to the two staff members the registered manager may be on site Monday to Friday 9am till 5pm. The total number of occupants, three or four depending on the time of the day, at a given time is no different to most typical family home settings and therefore this proposal does not significantly affect the settings of the area.

Bedrooms 1 and 2 will be used for staff and the young person. Bedroom 3 (small bedroom) will be used as a 'Calm' room, for any behavioral events. This room does not share a wall with the neighbouring property, so sound levels will be kept to a minimum.

Shift patterns would be set out when we have children in placement and dependent on the experience of the staffing team. However, a typical rota is expected to be:

- 2 on four shift
- Day 1 -10am-11pm sleep
- Day 2-7.30am-11pm sleep
- Day 3 7.30am-10.30am (handover 10am-10.30am)

There are two staff members on each shift with max number of staff on site at handover is 5.

One member of staff would be sleeping through the night and there would be one member of staff in case a situation arises.

There may be weekly visits from the child's Social Workers, and health professionals occasionally.

There are two off road parking spaces, and further parking is available on the public highway. We therefore believe this proposal will not impact on parking arrangements.

The modest number of residents and support workers that would be present is similar to a family that could occupy a property of this site. Given this, it is not considered that the proposal would have a detrimental impact upon existing levels of residential amenity and pedestrian and highway safety enjoyed in this location.