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Oak Tree Cottage

Woodwaye,

Woodley RG53HB

Dear Sirs

Re: Planning Application: 250114. 38 Woodwaye, Woodley.

We would like to advise that we are against the above mentioned application on the grounds that this a residential area made up of property for the elderly not suitable for the type of commercial use being applied for.

The main thorough fare is of a nature that various users tend to utilise it for parking whilst shopping or whilst delivering their children to school. The roadway is of a width that emergency services would have trouble attending a call and in the event of attending nbr 38 this would cause a major problem.

The applicant is not a resident of the immediate area and therefore has no interest in the neighbourhood apart from a commercial one. The carers likewise would be employees and would attempt to park in the forecourt which is quite restricted and reiterates the point above. We fully appreciate that children/young adults who are in need of carers will require constant care and attention but these properties are not conducive to their requirement and if round the clock care is required then this could be quite disruptive to the immediate neighbours particularly if there is a need for the emergency services to attend. We realised that everybody requires attentive care but surely a ratio of 4:2 is not cost effective to the department concerned and does not utilise the carers time efficiently. This poses the question that has the emergency services been requested for approval also the department within WBC that will be funding the project, are they in agreement to the arrangement and expenditure.

We feel that the children/young adults who have been allocated this accommodation would be of certain requirements and that this could impact on the immediate area and should there be any violent or noisy outburst then this puts the neighbours at risk and maybe a large part of the road. If they have complex issues and behaviour issues from emotional trauma then this

could have a major affect on the local residents and their daily lives. If this request is granted how long will it be before a planning application will be lodged for an extention to the property to enable more attendees of similar abilities. If you are trying to bring the troubled children into a rational environment then placing them in the middle of development of elderly people is not beneficial to either party.

We therefore object to the proposal of converting a residential use dwelling to a commercial use and to the entire scheme

Yours faithfully

Andrew and Veronica Bray

