

Community Involvement Statement

Proposed Children's Care Home at 79 Clares Green Road, Spencers Wood, Reading, RG7 1DU

This statement outlines the community engagement process for the proposed development of a small children's care home for four children aged 7 to 18 at 79 Clares Green Road, Spencers Wood. The project aims to create a nurturing and supportive environment for vulnerable children, helping them integrate into the local community while receiving the care and support they need. The care home will be operated by experienced professionals, ensuring a safe and secure setting for the residents.

Community Consultation:

As part of the planning process, we are committed to engaging with local residents and stakeholders to address any concerns or queries regarding the development. It is our intention to conduct the following steps to involve the community:

1. **Informing Local Residents:** Information about the proposed care home was shared with the immediate neighbours through leaflets outlining the purpose and design of the facility. This ensured transparency and provided residents an opportunity to voice their feedback.
2. **Consultation Meeting:** A virtual or in-person meeting will be held to present the project and allow local residents to ask questions and raise any concerns about the care home. Feedback from this meeting will be taken on board.
3. **Ongoing Engagement:** We are committed to maintaining open channels of communication throughout the planning and operational stages. Contact details have been provided for local residents to reach out with any further comments or concerns.

Key Considerations to be Addressed:

- **Impact on Local Amenities:** The small scale of the care home, housing only four children, ensures minimal impact on local amenities, traffic, and services. The site has been carefully chosen to blend with the surrounding residential area and will be Ofsted approved.
- **Safety and Security:** The care home will be equipped with appropriate safety measures to protect both the children and the local community, including secure access and supervision by trained staff 24/7.
- **Community Integration:** The children will be encouraged to participate in local community activities and events, fostering positive relationships with local residents and promoting a sense of belonging.



We are committed to working with the community to ensure the proposed development is a positive addition to Spencers Wood. All feedback will be considered to ensure that the care home meets the needs of both the children and the local community.



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