Additional information

Barnsley MBC currently operates a children's home**,** using a house which is leased from a third party. The lease on that house is due to expire and despite attempts to do so, it has not been possible to extend or renew it. This has meant that the council has had to look elsewhere to provide a home for the five young people who live there.

The plan is to relocate the five young people and all of the staff and managers who look after them from their current location to this new home. This means that we are not proposing to start a new children's home from scratch, but are relocating an existing high quality provision to new premises.

The current home is registered with Ofsted, the statutory regulator, for the provision of up to five long-term placements for young people aged between 12 and 17 years. The home is inspected regularly by Ofsted which has recognised it as **outstanding** – the highest quality grading that it is possible to achieve. This home has good local connections and has not had any complaints from neighbours during the period that it has occupied its current location

In common with Ofsted practice we will not publish the address of the current home but all reports written by inspectors are available on the Ofsted website at www.ofsted.gov.uk by searching on the home's unique reference number which is SC356006.