



Lime Tree Nursery Noise management plan and statement

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Dear Richard

Further to our telephone conversation could you please document my following statement with our application for the change of use on Laithes Lane.

Statement:

I have been working with Barnsley council now for nearly 2 years on ways in which we can provide childcare places for all children aged 2,3 and 4 who are entitled to free government funding.

within Athersley there is not enough places for the number of children and in our current building we just cannot meet the need of all families.

For over two years now we have operated from a council building, The round House Centre on Laithes Crescent.

As you will be aware from council records, we have never received any complaints regarding traffic or noise from our current setting. with this being the case I have been a little concerned over concerns raised regarding noise pollution as we are only moving meters around the corner and I can't understand how the setting would have effect on the surrounding building has the setting we have now has not been a problem.

We have an excellent relationship with Ofsted and having already opened 5 nurseries all of which have excellent Ofsted inspections under their belts. Ofsted have confirmed that they do not need to complete a pre reg visit and they value my professional approach and I can open once I feel the site is safe to do so. Our children's safety is paramount to use always, and no children will enter the building until I feel it.

We are very keen to open as soon as possible and I'm aware that you have been to site. I can guarantee that the site has been changing daily and from tomorrow Wednesday 29th January inside the building is complete and the fencing and tarmac car park will be completed over the weekend.

Our Noise management plan would be as follows:

If a child was to cry, we would remove the child from the garden/outside area and return them to the inside. This would minimise noise levels.

We will make sure the child plays out in limited numbers. By doing this the noise level will be kept to an acceptable level.

No music will be played loud with the outdoor space.

Any play equipment that is used or stored in the outside areas will be regularly maintained and positioned so not to cause a nuisance, including when not in use.

A fence to being fitted all around the outside area. This will reflect the noise and dull the level of sound.

Parents will be collecting from the front of the building so again they will be nowhere near any residential housing again kerbing any noise levels.

Staff ratio will be 1 adult to every 4 children at least whilst childing playing outside. This will lead to lots of adult interaction keeping noise level to a minimum.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

Zoe Croot