Section 7/ 8 – description of the proposal.

I propose that a lawful development certificate is granted for 4a and 4b Cumberland Road are considered for change of use. I am in the process of becoming a supported living provider. Both properties are set back from the neighbours and the properties are detached. The other neighbour is at the other side of the ally way. Please see image of the properties below:



Both houses are three-bedroom properties and will house up to six young people across both properties when to capacity.

Both properties are separate and will be treated as separate dwellings. I will reside in 4a with two young people.

The supported living provider only houses young people aged 16-25 who are independent, do not need domiciliary care and can move around freely in the home and in the community. The young people are those who are Looked After by the Local Authority, and care leavers, who are waiting to be housed by the council.

The young people will be expected to maintain the property in respect to cleanliness, will undertake their own food shopping, cooking. The staff are present to ensure they can offer any support/guidance when needed.

We aim to support the young people to become more independent, make good choices to then be able to hold their own tenancy in the future. This support is purely on a guidance basis.

The young people will need to be assessed prior to the business accepting the placement. There is 24/7 support available to the young people, but this does not necessarily mean staff will be on site for all of that time and can be supported by having on call available. Each young person is given a support plan which will outline the support they require, this is likely to be on average four hours of support per day. This support is likely to take place first thing on a morning for up to 2 hours and up to 2 hours after school/evening time.

We encourage young people to access employment/education therefore it is likely that they will be out during the day.

Staffing:
In respect to staffing, I am the Director of the company and I plan on residing in 4a Cumberland Road for the foreseeable future. I will be responsible for the 'sleep in' shifts.

There is one other staff member, who will work during the day. This staff member will not reside at either property. There is one staff member to the six young people. At the maximum they will be 2 members of staff to 6 people.

Handovers:
Please see shift pattern below. Handover is expected to last between 30-60 minutes. The handovers will be carried out in the staff office (which will be located in the garden) and will cause no additional noise/disruption. The staff will be expected to park on the driveway therefore will cause no additional parking on the street. As you can see in the image all of the land at the front of the property will be used as parking and gates securing this.

Shift patterns:
One member of staff as a general (maximum 2 across both houses) will work 8:00-18:00 during the day, and I (resident of 4a) will complete the night shift.

External features:
CCTV only, no signs to suggest the homes are operating as a business.
Parking is all on the private driveway, there will be no one that parks on the road.

External visitors to the property:
Young people are allowed visitors however this needs to be pre-arranged and agreed by the social worker. Therefore there will be diary to reflect who has a visitor and when so no one clashes (causes any additional noise and disturbance) there is also visiting hours in place between 10:00-20:00 and no more than two visitors at any one time, and only once per day.

There are strict rules to follow when residing in supported living, and the neighbours will be respected at all times. We value our neighbours and should there be any issues this will reflect on the sustainability of the young persons placement. Should any issues arise they will be acted on immediately.

Team meetings will take place off site.