

Reference **CAS-03272-F0F6Y7**;

Firstly I would like to list the objectors to this planning appeal.

- All neighbours. Over 300 homes in the Swiss Valley area. In fact I'm yet to speak to or hear from anyone who actually approves the application.
- The local primary school 100yards away
- The local councillor Giles Morgan
- The local MP Dame Nia Griffin
- Lee Walters Member of Senedd Cymru / Welsh Parliament
- Llanelli rural council
- Llanelli Planning

There are no benefits to this property being changed to commercial use. Everyone around the area and neighbours including the school are very concerned and I will use the word 'scared', of the implications this will have on the local community. It is in the middle of a close, quiet, tight nit community, allowing a commercial property there would be ludicrous and would change the whole upkeep of the area.

It is worth noting that a previous granted planning application at this property, namely D5/13293 - Dormer Extension - Granted - 10.12.1990 – contained this condition in the decision notice: “Condition 3. The garage shall be retained in perpetuity for garaging purposes only and shall not be used for any business or commercial use”.

So, in light of the above planning condition, work at this property is now in breach of the previous planning permission. A breach of planning control is defined in Section 171A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as: the carrying out of development without the required planning permission which planning permission has been granted.

Internal and External alterations have in fact been done which is contrary to the applicants application form. Including the above garage being changed, a further side/back door has also been erected. Emergency lighting has been installed also causes light pollution at nights.

New information in the applicants appeal form is deeply concerning. He has said that he is willing to 'omit' putting a fence around in order to get this application through. This is in itself extremely concerning, please can you answer how you can have a children's home without any secure garden space for the children? I'm hoping a site visit will be required from you and you will clearly see that there is no back garden at this property, therefore without the applicant putting any boundaries around the front garden "which is very small" where would the children play or even wonder? This is a major safeguarding issue for vulnerable children and everyone around. There is a primary school 100yards away from this property, you are saying the children in care can escape easily or even be sitting on a front garden with 3 year old walking passed. This is massive and extremely concerning and needs looking into. If a child comes to harm because of the lack of a safety boundary, it would be the authorities who are sued for negligence, because they would be vicariously liable. In regards to planning they can't have a fence, because that would be illegal, so, like I say, either way, the site is not suitable. Impactions from this could be huge, this needs looking into and taken very seriously. This isn't your straight forward planning appeal application.

There is no consideration from the applicant to the neighbours or I will even go as far as the children who would reside there if the appeal gets approved. Profitable children's homes

are due to be banned in Wales soon for the very reason they are run poorly and they are all about the directors making money out of vulnerable children. The applicant has finished the property as a care home, they have even put all cutlery and everything ready, it is ready to go ahead once the appeal is finished. From research about the applicant it is clear to see he knows how to get his properties through the appeal process and all we ask is if you can consider this applications with care, as the lives it could affect here are massive. We are not talking about a few parking issues here or there, or minor issues that come to your appeal, we are talking about vulnerable children and old neighbours around who at the minute are very frightened of the outcome. Why should a person be allowed who is not from the area, to come into a community and just do what he wants without any care for anyone else, the final decision is yours. We as a community are also ready to take it further if the appeal gets accepted.

A few more points I would like to add, there seems to be a point scheme on the application form. The applicant has been awarded points for an 'array of shops' and a 'community hall'. This is again false, there are no shops, the only one we had has closed down and all that's there is a chip shop. The community hall is only for private use for Birthdays etc so not for use of teenagers etc freely. So my question would be, no garden, no shop, only one bus per day, what will the children do? Be coped up all day? Your asking for trouble.

There is 'not' a lack of children's homes in the Carmarthenshire area like suggested in the application form, in fact the application is in contradiction to Carmarthenshire County Council's own policy for looked after children.

With my objections and all the others you have I sincerely hope that this is declined and an example may be set to these type of applicants that they are not higher than the processes we have in place for a reason.

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