Operational Statement – Residential Care Hub

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1. Introduction

The property is designed to function as a **Residential Care Hub** for **children and young adults with learning needs**, providing both **overnight respite accommodation** and **daytime care support**. The facility ensures a **safe, structured, and supportive environment**, tailored to meet the individual needs of those accessing its services.

2. Occupancy & Staffing Structure

- **Upstairs Residential Respite:**
    - Accommodates **three children** for overnight stays.
    - Supported by **two – three (depending on need) waking night care staff**, ensuring **continuous supervision**.
    - Designed to remain a **residential space** for overnight respite care.
- **Downstairs Care Hub:**
- Provides daytime support for **five to six children or young adults**.
- Each child will be accompanied by **dedicated care staff**, offering **1:1 or 2:1 support** based on individual needs.

3. Facility Features

The **Care Hub** is equipped with specialized spaces designed to support and engage children in a **calm, therapeutic setting**:

- **Sensory Room** – Providing multi-sensory experiences to enhance cognitive and emotional well-being.
- **Pamper Room** – A space designed for relaxation and sensory engagement.
- **Music Room** – Encouraging creative expression through sound and rhythm.
- **Large Chill-Out Lounge** – Creating a comfortable environment for socialization and downtime.
- **Separate Dining Area** – Supporting structured meal routines in a peaceful setting.

- **Separate Kitchen Area** – For preparation of food for the children at time of residency.

4. Specific Nature of the Respite & Care Hub

- The centre is **designed specifically for autistic children**, ensuring a **low-noise, structured environment**.
- The facility accommodates **five to six children at a time**, each receiving **individualized attention** from trained staff.
- All activities are carefully managed to **promote calmness and reduce sensory overload**, ensuring a **harmonious space**.

5. Operating Hours & Community Considerations

- The **Care Hub operates during daytime hours**, maintaining **calm, structured activity levels** to minimize disturbance to neighbours.
- Residents in **overnight respite** are **fully supported by dedicated carers**, with measures in place to **keep noise levels low** and ensure a **peaceful home environment**.

6. Property & Infrastructure Advantages

- **Private Parking** – On-site disable bay space at the **front of the property to** minimize **impact on street congestion**. 80% of the care staff are in walking distance to the property.
- **At the Rear of the Property** – Car Park space on private property at the rear of the property.
- **As a Corner Property** – Car parking space for 4 cars, which will only be used to pick and drop.
- **Fenced Gardens** – Secure, **self-contained outdoor space** for activities, reducing potential disruption to the neighbourhood.

7. Mitigation Measures

To address any concerns and ensure smooth operations, the following measures are in place:

- **Traffic Management:** Clear **drop-off and pick-up protocols** to prevent congestion.
- **Strict Operational Policies:** Staff will follow guidelines to **limit activity levels** and maintain a structured, peaceful environment.

8. Community Benefits

The **Respite & Care Hub** will provide **essential support** to families with autistic children, meeting a **significant local need**. It offers:

- **Relief for working parents**, ensuring **safe, structured care for their children**.
- **A strengthened sense of community**, helping families access **vital support services**.
- **Economic benefits**, creating **skilled job opportunities** within the local area.

9. Conclusion & Request for Reclassification

We sincerely appreciate your time in reviewing this statement. This initiative aims to **address the unmet needs** of a **historically overlooked** community. This would allow the facility to **serve both families and the broader community inclusively, without discrimination**.

This **rare opportunity** has the potential to **alleviate shortages** in specialized care while ensuring residential properties contribute positively to **supporting vulnerable individuals** and **fostering inclusivity**.

Please let us know how we can move forward in securing approval for this vital project.