Planning Statement

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Reference: PP-13146681) to existing property 23 Hill Lane, Blackley, Manchester M9 6PE.

1. Introduction

This Planning Statement in support of an application of Lawful Development Certificate, which seeks the change of use of a residential property from a C3 to C2 class of use, and a full planning application is not required.

The use of the premises as a Children Residential home for up to two children , ages between 7-17 years of age and cared for by two full time staff members and live together as a single family household.

- If there one child residing at the home two members of staff will sleep overnight.
- If their two children residing at the home there be one member of staff sleeping in and one member of staff as a waking night.

A Homes Manager will be based at home during the working week, unless they are required to attend the home in an emergency or a member of staff is not available. Meetings and home visits will take place at the family home for professionals and family members, however this will no different or similar to a family gathering or visitor at a normal family household.

Trusted Care Services has two Directors who are qualified Social Workers with 30+ years experiences between us.

2. Application Site

The application site is located in the Blackley area. The application building is a semi-detached residential property with three bedrooms and two reception rooms.

There is front drive that has enough space for three cars.

The location is on a quiet residential street.

3. **Proposed Development**

The proposal seeks to provide a Children's Residential Home in the Blackley area which will operate as a normal family setting.

There will be no alterations made to the land or building.

The neighbourhood is a residential area and the location is on a quiet residential street.

The building has a secure gate at the front of the building and secure fence at the rear of the building.

The Lawful Development Certificate should be granted for the following reasons; there will be no changes to use of the land or building. Although, the proposal is a Children's Residential Home this will be operate as a normal family setting, (single household) as key points outline:

- Staff changeover will be at reasonable times. Staff will undertake long shifts to reduce staff coming and going from the property.
- The use of the premises as a Children Residential home for up to two children , ages between 7-17 years and cared for by two full time staff members and live together as a single family household.
- If there is one child residing at the home two members of staff will sleep overnight.
- If there are two children residing at the home there be one member of staff will sleep in and one member of staff as a waking night.
- A Homes Manager will be based at home during the working week, unless there are required to attend the home in an emergency or a member of staff is not available. Meeting and home visits will take place at the home for professionals and family members, however this will not be any different or similar to a family gathering or visitor at a normal family household.
- The home will operate as a normal family setting, single household.
- There has been no alteration made to the land or building.
- There enough space on the front drive to park three cars, this limits the use of on street parking

4. **Conclusion**

Trusted Care Services are requesting this application is for a Lawful Development Certificate, which seeks use of a dwellinghouse (Class C3) as children's care home (Class C2) for up to 2 children, with up to 3 carers during the day, including a Homes Manager. The carers will work on a rota basis.

- If there are two children residing at the home there will be two staff members of staff sleeping overnight
- If there one child residing at the home there be one staff sleeping in and one staff as a waking night.