

Corres – Mr and Mrs Wood

**From:** Atkins, Charlotte  
**Sent:** 26 March 2014 08:17  
**To:** [REDACTED]@co.uk'  
**Cc:** Sinclair-Knipe, Peter (Cllr); [REDACTED]@com  
**Subject:** RE:140217/F - Highbury House

Dear Mr and Mrs Wood,

I refer to your email sent to Kath Greenow (Parish Clerk), which has been kindly forwarded to me by Councillor Sinclair-Knipe. I am the Planning Officer who dealt with the application.

Firstly, I can confirm that the application was advertised, in the normal manner, by way of a site notice. I have attached two photographs, which show where it was displayed and the statutory period (21 days) given for comment. This expired on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2014. I was in the area yesterday for another site visit and saw that the site notice was still in situ at Highbury House. The Parish Council were also notified of the submission and made representations. Although I understand that you may have not seen the notice, the Council has carried out its statutory duty.

I would advise you that planning permission was granted for the change of use on 24<sup>th</sup> March. Although your letter cannot be taken into account post determination, I can assure you that the comments raised were matters that were carefully considered in the assessment of the application. You may review the Delegated Report and Decision Notice, together with all the documents/plans submitted, on the Council's website at:

<https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/planningapplicationsearch/details/?id=140217>

I hope that after reading these documents you will be reassured that all material planning considerations were assessed during the determination of the application.

Yours sincerely,

**Charlotte Atkins, Senior Planning Officer**

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**From:** Sinclair-Knipe, Peter (Cllr)  
**Sent:** 26 March 2014 07:35  
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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Kath Greenow <[REDACTED].com>  
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Dear Cllr Sinclair Knipe

Please see the email below re planning application of Highbury House Dinedor

Thanks

Kath Greenow AILCM

Parish Clerk

Lower Bullingham Parish Council

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Sharon Wood <[REDACTED].co.uk>  
**Date:** 25 March 2014 22:28:39 GMT  
**To:** [\[REDACTED\].com](mailto:[REDACTED].com) <[\[REDACTED\].com](mailto:[REDACTED].com)>  
**Subject:** Highbury house

To whom it may concern,

I have just found out about the proposal for neighbouring Highbury House. I thought it was a legal requirement to display a site or public notice informing local residence of any changes that could effect them?

The fact that the plans are to turn a residential house into a home for children 11-19 year olds that are emotional, socially and behaviourally challenged is completely unacceptable and inappropriate. It seems that this planning proposal has been kept quiet purposely to ensure no objections from neighbouring residence.

It states on the Herefordshire Council website that-

'The Hereford Council places great importance on public involvement in the planning application process and welcomes comments on planning'. No one in the surrounding area has been informed of this proposal. It also states that 'local opinions are invaluable and help in consideration of planning applications'-no opportunity has been given.

Apart from the lack of communication about the proposal the Green Lane that accesses the property is completely inappropriate for increased traffic, this lane is maintained by local residence and is not appropriate for the increase in vehicles. The fact that the proposal states that the traffic will be minimal seems unrealistic, there are 7 residence and 3-4 staff, this does not include relatives and friends. This will increase traffic considerable to a very quiet rural area and could cause accidents to dog walkers and horse riders.

Also the mention of 'amenities', there are no amenities in the vicinity of Highbury House. These are 11-19 year olds that will have nothing to do in the countryside. As a local resident I would have great concerns about what they may do with their time. I have two children that feel quite frightened by the prospect. The lack of communication has only inflamed this as it feels there is something to hide?

There is no refuse collection directly from each house, this means that there will be an increase in refuse. This will positioned outside 'Speedwell' resident and could block their access or the Lane.

I hereby challenge this application on the grounds of lack of communication and the inappropriateness of the residence for this area.

Sean and Sharon Wood (Three Oaks)

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