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Sent: 04 May 2026 20:19
To: Planning
Subject: Planning Application Comments - 3/2026/0292 FS-Case-834584117

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Lancashire

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Planning Application Reference No.: 3/2026/0292

Address of Development: Ashgreen House 1A Somerset Avenue Wilpshire BB1 9JD

Comments: I would like to object to the application I was only made aware of this by a neighbour and am surprised as I was not consulted as [REDACTED]
I understand there are already at least 2 other children's homes very close by
I don't think the location is suitable with shift change overs, suppliers and associates visiting on this private quiet unadopted road which maintenance by the residents
In the deeds of my property it prevents business use as the road is intended to be a quiet location for residents only and the application would not be in keeping
I think it would be more suitable if it was situated with better parking and closer to more facilities for the children

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From: Contact Centre (CRM) <contact@ribblevalley.gov.uk>
Sent: 05 May 2026 13:25
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Lancashire

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Planning Application Reference No.: 3/2026/0292

Address of Development: Ashgreen House
1A Somerset Ave.Wilpshire
BB1 9JD

Comments: We wish to object to this because given that Somerset Avenue is a private road maintained by the residents with a no parking restriction on it ,I suspect that this will result in cars visiting the house parking on the main road ,Whalley Rd.which obviously is a public road.I already have difficulty using my drive both going out and coming in due to the overspill of cars from Wilpshire Golf Cub parking [REDACTED] is the case at the moment.
An added hazard is the bend on the main road just next to Somerset Avenue .It is extremely dangerous with limited visibility and makes the access to and from the avenue difficult which in turn can add to the problem of exiting my drive.Should even more traffic be coming out of Somerset Avenue this will exacerbate the problem even more.
We strongly object to this application on these grounds.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 May 2026 20:48
To: Planning
Subject: Re: proposed change of use at of dwelling at Ashgreen House 1A Somerset Ave
Wilpshire

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Further to my previous email I should have mentioned concerns about traffic. There is no way that four cars can fit at the front of Ashgreen house. There would be a considerable number of cars coming and going at all hours due to changes in shifts for the staff, visits from social services and other parties and there are already many cars parked on the Avenue. All the car changes would result in a lot of noise disrupting the lives of the residents on this quiet road and as previously stated we are responsible for maintaining the private road. Somerset ave is totally unsuitable for a children's home and I hope you do not allow this proposal.

On Tuesday, 28 April 2026 at 14:38:27 BST, [REDACTED] wrote:

FAO Lucy Walker Application No 3/26/0292 grid ref 368774 4327710

I live [REDACTED] and it has been brought to my attention by neighbours that there is a proposed change of use from a dwelling to a children's home for a maximum of 4 children, at Ashgreen House 1A Somerset Ave. I have not personally received such a notification but would like to be added to the notification list as this house is next door but one to mine.

I understand that Lancashire has the largest number of children's homes within its local authority area, more than any other local authority in England. In fact 8% of children's homes are in Lancashire with most being operated by agency providers, with too many not even caring for Lancashire children and that more homes are not required. It is therefore beyond my comprehension why you are even considering this application.

Wilpshire is a small village and there are already two small homes for children bringing with them anti-social behaviour. We are part of the Ribble Valley and the houses on Somerset Ave are in high council tax bands and expensive to run. We are even responsible for the upkeep of the road itself at some considerable expense, the speed limit being 20 mph. The home would completely change the status of the ave and would lead to a flood of applications for council tax reductions. The ave is quiet and a private road mainly occupied by elderly residents and is totally inappropriate for a children's home.

Through no fault of their own the children to be housed have their own problems with some not even fit to attend school and I strongly object to this proposal. There will be disruption to elderly residents' lives with traffic coming and going, parking problems, noise and the antics of the children. We have had previous experience of anti-social behaviour on here involving the police and we do not need any more. Please keep me informed of any developments or meetings. I sincerely hope that you do not allow this proposal