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Head of Regeneration and Policy,  
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22<sup>nd</sup> January

Dear Mr Dobson,

**Re: 15/01454/VCN - Change of use from hotel into home for the elderly (pursuant to variation of condition 2 and 3 on planning permission 01/86/1048 to allow the premises to be used as a rehabilitation facility for substance misuse and to allow a maximum of 21 persons being accommodated on site) - Tregothnan Retirement Home, 112 Balmoral Road, Morecambe**

The Town Council has considered the above application and objects to the application on behalf of the local community on the following basis:

- The proposed change of use is in the wrong place and un-neighbourly;
- The proposed change of use was not need as there were other similar service outlets within Morecambe which could adequately cater for and address the issues of substance misuse;
- There would not be appropriate parking adjacent to the proposed development;
- The local community remained extremely concerned about community safety and the impact the development could have on the local surrounding area particularly local schools;
- The proposal did not appear consistent with the current Local Plan for the area;
- The proposed development was likely to increase noise levels and disturbances in the local community to an unacceptable level; and
- To request the City council to ensure that in the worst case scenario of planning permission being granted, a condition be implied which required the implementation of an effective 24 hour management plan regarding supervision and control to minimise disturbance and disruptions to the local community.

The Town Council would request that this application be considered by the Council's Planning Committee. The Council have also instructed me to attend the meeting and make these observations directly to the Committee, please could you confirm in due course the meeting at which this will be considered, to allow me the opportunity to register my wish to attend and speak on behalf of the Town Council. I trust these comments will be considered by the City Council's Planning Committee in due course.

Yours sincerely,

David Croxall - Town Clerk