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Dear Sir/Madam,

Newlands, South Street, CF48 3DS

Please find enclosed application for an authorised development certificate.

This is a common practice for us in both England and Wales although our first time with yourselves in Merthyr Tydfil. There is no physical change at all to the property but the certificate is required as part of registration process with CIW.

Enclosed are the appropriate documents and information and answers to some verification questions on the following page.

Yours faithfully,

Jon Pain

Chief Executive

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Phoenix Learning & Care Group is a trading name for Phoenix Learning & Care Holdings Ltd (Company number: 07899184)
Also trading as: Phoenix Learning & Care Ltd (03586426) and Phoenix Childcare Ltd (05506172)

Total number of children

Maximum of 2.

Who pays for their accommodation?

The payment is made by the respective Local Authority who places the child.

What is the nature of their tenure?

Residential care placement. The children do not have a tenancy. They will be placed at the home following a referral protocol which aligns to the needs of the child, the opportunity provided by the facility and location of the house.

The duration of stay can vary our aim is to integrate the child back to their family or to a foster placement. This can range from a few months to sometimes several years. Older children who are not planning to return home are given help to prepare them for living on their own.

What is the age range of the children?

8 to 18 years.

What is the nature of the support provided?

Health and emotional wellbeing, personal care (where required), accessing the community, social inclusion

How many members of staff in total will be employed at the property?

6

How many members of staff will be on duty at one time during the day?

2 to 3 generally

How many members of staff will be on duty at one time during the night?

2 generally

How long will a day shift and a night shift last, and when does each start and finish?

Shifts are generally 0800-2300, sleep in 2300-0730, 0730-0830 (i.e handover between 0800-0830).

Will there be staff members who are employed on a part time basis who will only cover part of a day or night shift. If so how many of the total number is this likely to be?

Unlikely. The ethos is to give the children a stable core team.

Will members of staff sleep at the property?

Yes.

If so what arrangements are made for them to do so?

Allocated bedroom/ensuite in the house.

How will the occupants be involved in the day to day functioning of the main house?

House operates as per a normal domestic home: daily living, cleaning, cooking, shopping, accessing the community, sport and leisure etc.

Will they undertake household type tasks such as cooking, cleaning and the washing?

Yes

Will this be restricted to their own needs or will these tasks be carried out as a communal effort?

Both. People are supported in line with their skills and needs with the aim to prepare for adulthood.

How will appointments with medical and/or social services be catered for?

Access to local GP, Optician, dentist etc. Social Services involvement dependent on placing local authority.

How will other personal needs of the occupants, such as hairdressers, barbers, and the like be catered for?

Access local services within the community, no different to a normal household does.

Will the occupants attend any type of school?

We encourage and support the children to attend local schools.

Will transport be provided?

Yes. Public transport will also be accessed (independence planning etc)

What parking provision is available at the property?

Double garage with plentiful additional parking spaces on drive.

If the bedrooms will be provided with locks and if so whether the occupants will have their own keys

This is obviously risk assessed. Generally the bedrooms will have a thumbnail lock (like a bathroom has) so in the unlikely case of any emergency there is no key to find but the lock can be overridden.

Likely time duration for overlap of staff during changeovers

Generally 15 to 30 mins.

Estimated Daily vehicle movements from the property

No different to a normal domestic property, depends on school arrangements (i.e. walk, public transport or vehicle), shopping, medical appointments, seeing friends. Shift change overs. We recruit local team members avoiding the need for excess vehicles. I would estimate less than 10.

Jon Pain

10th January 2021