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To whom it may concern

We are providing details & information that maybe needed by your planning office in order to assess change of use to the proposed application. The property is currently residential use and is on the market for sale.

We propose to convert the property into a Children's day nursery facility for the local community. We feel the buildings flexible lay out and space available lends itself perfectly for this type of facility. The properties rooms can be generously used to create suitable day care provision for children aged 6 weeks to 5 years old.

The government after already offering 3 to 4 year old children 15 hours of free childcare per week, have now stretched this offer for eligible 2 year olds and it is proposed that this offer will be across the board in the near future. This would mean that all 2 to 4 year old children will be entitled to a minimum of 15 hours free childcare per week. This would result in community demand for local childcare becoming much greater and our proposal would help to alleviate this problem.

With an ever growing population and an increase in new housing the feedback we have received from local parents is that a new first class childcare facility is greatly needed within the Crowland area. We estimate that the nursery would be able to accommodate 25-29 children at one time. However this number would be subject to confirmation from Ofsted and the local authority birth to five services.

The property does have parking at present for at least 5 cars, however the use of the front of the property could be better laid out and more spaces made. We plan that the nursery be open from 7am – 6pm and these times will allow for a staggered drop off system that will minimise traffic and parking issues.

The nursery would be able to offer new jobs for local experienced people and we propose based on number of children, 5-7 job opportunities would become available. The nursery would also be able to support local students on day release from college to gain experience at the setting whilst completing childcare related courses.

We also propose to offer apprenticeship and traineeship places for local youngsters wishing to gain their childcare qualifications.

We strongly feel that the proposed change of use to this property would be of huge benefit to the local community. We trust the information is satisfactory, if however, you do need further details then please do not hesitate to contact us.

Regards

Mr & Mrs Genever