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Subject: Objection – 7 Belvedere Road Planning Proposal (S62A/2025/0101)

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to object to planning application S62A/2025/0101 concerning the proposed expansion of the care home at 7 Belvedere Road, BS6 7JG.

I live directly next to one of the rooms in the current care facility ([REDACTED] [REDACTED]) and on a daily basis, I am impacted by loud, constant, distressing noises from patients, often including repeated shouting or vocal outbursts of screaming. I work from home in a sensitive role for [REDACTED] [REDACTED] which requires a quiet and secure working environment. Unfortunately, the frequent distress calls and loud vocalisations from multiple patients currently housed in the care home significantly affect my ability to work, concentrate, and maintain a stable working day.

As a result of this I have often had to travel in to make meetings, at cost to myself. Previous attempts to contact the care home have led me to believe that the staff and management of the care home itself do not care about the neighbours, which also leads me to question the level of care they are providing to their customers.

Additionally, the current operation already stretches the capacity of this residential street. Parking is consistently oversubscribed, deliveries and ambulances are extremely frequent multiple times a day, and infrastructure pressure is visible. See attached picture examples of ambulance servicing the care home blocking a residential drive on this street as I write this email.

The proposed 30% increase in bed capacity will directly worsen this, increasing the number of patients, staff, and service vehicles. Furthermore, increase in bed capacity contravenes current best practice guidance from the Care Quality Commission, which discourages this exact type of significant expansion of dementia facilities in urban residential areas due to the increased risk of isolation, service strain, and environmental stressors for vulnerable residents.

Furthermore, this development would disrupt the area's residential zoning and reduce available housing stock for families and essential workers in a city already suffering from ridiculous rent and housing prices. The parking surveys provided are deeply flawed, failing to reflect the congestion and lack of on-street availability that already exists.

The material impact on amenity, infrastructure, and community balance makes this application unsuitable and unsupportable under planning policy.

This application threatens the character and wellbeing of our close-knit residential community. Our road is designed to be a quiet one, made up of family homes and individuals who live here because it provides a peaceful, supportive environment. The existing care facility already generates frequent noise and disruption, especially audible distress from patients. These noises carry throughout neighbouring properties and affect our quality of life daily.

Expanding the facility would only deepen this impact. Parking is already severely limited and the addition of more staff, visitors, ambulances, and delivery vehicles would lead to gridlock. The construction phase alone threatens a year of noise, dust, road closures, and daily chaos.

We understand the need for specialist care facilities, but this level of institutional expansion does not belong on a narrow residential street like ours. We ask that the application be denied so Belvedere Road can remain a safe and liveable place for residents, young and old.

Please consider this a formal objection.

P.S. This objection is submitted on behalf of multiple members of our household, who all share these concerns. We will each be submitting individually to ensure our voices are counted separately.

Yours sincerely,

Sebastian Francis

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Attached image from today (28/05/2025) just one example of regular inconvenient parking by service vehicles to the care home.

