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Subject: S62A/2025/0101 7 Belvedere Road

I would like to object to Planning Application S62A/2025/0101 which relates to the conversion of 7 Belvedere Road BS8 7JG from three flats to a twelve bedroom extension to Glenview Nursing Home. An increase in care home provision in a neighbourhood, which already has a significant over concentration of care homes will further threaten the character of this residential area. Five out of eleven buildings on one side of Belvedere road are already used commercially for this purpose. Adding another will create an even greater imbalance and alter the character and diversity of this quiet, family neighbourhood still further. As a former social care professional, I really do appreciate the need for more high quality dementia care provision in the city, however residential roads like this one are just not constructed to meet the demands of a large care facility.

Parking in Belvedere Road, The Glen and the surrounding area is a huge problem. The parking survey provided as part of the planning application gives no indication of the difficulties residents face in finding spaces to park. [REDACTED] submission, disputing the accuracy of this survey and providing her own survey findings, provides a far more accurate representation of the parking problems faced by residents.

The number of existing care homes means that local residents constantly have to contend with blocked roads and drives due to deliveries and ambulances, while parking in the vicinity is often impossible because spaces are taken by doctors, care staff and visitors. Care staff often pass their parking spaces to their colleagues at shift changeover times, for which they can hardly be blamed, but it can mean that locals don't get much of a look in the battle for spaces!

The knock-on effects of the severe parking difficulties on these roads already includes cars, vans and lorries parked illegally on corners, thereby obstructing visibility and cars and vans circling constantly or idling with engines running. [REDACTED] submission provides photographic evidence of some of these problems. The proposed nursing home extension can only mean a considerable increase in these issues. Additionally, unlike many purpose build nursing homes, the existing home and its proposed extension do not provide parking for visitors. This must be as difficult, dangerous and frustrating for friends and relatives of care home residents, many of whom are themselves elderly as it is for local people.

The issue of the construction work to be undertaken if this proposal is accepted is also a concern to me and to other local residents. We endured years of noise and mess when the existing nursing home was converted. While I recognise that this is a short term problem, local people really do not deserve to have to go through this degree of disruption again. The building work is again likely to cause huge amounts of noise and dust, which will be very disruptive to those living locally and will, I imagine be intolerable for residents in the existing nursing home.

As you are aware, those of us living close to Meadowcare have been fighting a succession of planning applications over a number of years. We would welcome the opportunity to make our case more fully on this occasion in a public hearing.

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