

DEPARTMENT OF GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT

ORIGINATING SECTION: Planning.

REPORT TO: Planning & Highways Committee.

**TITLE: Petition regarding Full Planning Application for
Change of use from an office building to a C2a class
use Open Rehab Unit with supporting facilities.
Erection of a single storey front extension to serve as
a new entrance point**

At

Oakfield House

93 Preston New Road

Blackburn

BB2 6AY

(Ref: 10/18/1184)

Applicant: ASC Real Estate Investments Ltd

Ward: Wensley Fold

Councillor David Harling

Councillor Mohammed Khan

Councillor Quesir Mahmood

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To inform Members of the receipt of one petition relating to the above planning application.

2.0 BACKGROUND AND DETAILS

2.1 A planning application for the above development was received on 12th December 2018 and made valid on 4th January 2019.

2.2 A petition containing 102 signatures against the proposal was received on 8th February 2019. The reasons against the proposal are given as follows:

2.3 Reasons:

- The area is saturated with similar establishments.
- 24 hour use.
- Out of character with the Conservation Area.
- Parking problems.
- Loss of privacy.
- Worries about future expansion.

- Noise disturbance.
- Unsociable hours.
- No need in the area.

2.4 At the time of the Petition Report being prepared, no decision on the application had been reached.

3.0 **RECOMMENDATION**

3.1 It is recommended that the Committee note the petition.

4.0 **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

4.1 Planning application 10/18/1184 contains details of the application and can be viewed at

[http://planningdms.blackburn.gov.uk/NorthgateIM.websearch/\(S\(vj4sdh55sfwc0555ya11wdei\)\)/Results.aspx](http://planningdms.blackburn.gov.uk/NorthgateIM.websearch/(S(vj4sdh55sfwc0555ya11wdei))/Results.aspx)

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6.0 **DATE PREPARED** – 8th February 2019.