

Cllr Tracey Hill

BH2019/01050 - 26 Brentwood Crescent

Comment Reasons:

- Overdevelopment
- Residential Amenity

Comment: Six adults living independently in a house of this size is overdevelopment. The house was designed for family use, a single household not six households. I take issue with the "general assumption" that HMOs will have fewer vehicles. That's not the general assumption and people living in student HMO-heavy areas know that they bring a lot of cars and make parking difficult. They know this because the cars disappear during university vacations! Although this application is only for six people, we can expect building works to start straight away with a loft conversion and single storey extension to enable up to 9 occupants. Possibly the garage as well. And then a planning application will follow some time afterwards. This is immensely frustrating for local residents. The developer should apply up front for what they want to do with the site and not do it piecemeal. If this does go through I hope we will condition the number of occupants down to 4 or 5, and remove permitted development rights. Some clarification regarding use of garage for residential would be useful as well.

