

Tracy Ritchie
6 Holyrood Drive
Elgin
IV30 8TP
19th September 2018

Chief Legal Officer
Per Ms L Rowan
Committee Services
The Moray Council
High Street
ELGIN
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Dear Lissa

In response to the recent notification you sent to me via email I have been in touch with Springfield and they have no objection to me running my childminding business from my house I have attached an email from them as proof provided to me by them following my discussions. I have also attached emails from my neighbour directly opposite me and one from my neighbour directly out the back of me who have quite clearly stated no objection and I feel some very valuable points have been put across by both regarding parking issues that the moray council may see as an issue that none of us can.

As a childminder I offer home care for people's children most of which come are 2 children per family. Any children who are dropped off are quite literally dropped off outside my house thus being there no more than 10 mins at a time also any parents that do drop off are asked to be mindful of my neighbours and not block their access. I do not run as a nursery where children all arrive at the same time all children I care for come at different times of the day to suit their parents work schedule.

Regarding me creating more parking I think I have been misunderstood my plan would have been to do what my neighbour across from me has done and dig up grass and put down gravel in keeping with the rest of the street. This would be where my car and my assistant's car would be parked throughout the day thus leaving my driveway clear for parents to safely drop off and collect their children.

I also would like to point out that I don't understand why the transport department changed their mind on their decision because when I was tracking the progress of my application they had marked it as not having any objection then they changed their mind and removed this from my file I would like an explanation as to why this happened.

Typical Day to highlight when children are dropped off and collected at my house

7.30am	child 1 arrives (parent)
8.10am	child 2 arrives (parent)
11.00am	child 2 is dropped home (by me)
11.30am	child 3 Collected from nursery (by me)
12.00am	Child 4 Collected from nursery (by me)
1430pm	Child 4 Dropped home (by me)
1500pm	Child 5 Collected from school (by me)
1700pm	Child 3 and 5 Dropped Home (by me)
1730pm	Child 1 Collected (by Parent)

I can't see where this causes an issue for transport as this is based on one of my busiest days at the moment.

I am more than happy to arrange for someone from council to come to my house at a suitable time to us both to observe the comings and goings.

I hope this explains things a bit clearer

Tracy Ritchie

From: Andrew Todd Andrew.Todd@springfield.co.uk
Subject: 6 Holyrood Drive Elgin
Date: 14 Sep 2018 at 13:13:37
To: tslritchie13@talktalk.net

Hi,

As discussed, I can confirm on behalf of Springfield Properties plc that we have no objection to you using your home for a childminding business and will not raise any action in respect of this under the title deeds for this property.

Kind regards

Andy

(confirmed in capacity as company secretary of Springfield Properties plc)

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From: Lynn Alsamarraie [REDACTED]
Subject: Council Lynns letter.
Date: 13 Sep 2018 at 17:30:42
To: [REDACTED]

To whom it may concern. I Lynn Alsamarraie live at 7 Crathes Court Elgin , IV308TR. Would like to reassure the council that as my garden backs on to Tracey Ritchie's Garden I have no qualms with Tracey running her child care business from her address. The children are only their through out the day when most people are at work, and not at the weekend. And it is no different to having a large family living next door. Personally I can't see any problem .

Kind regards

Lynn Alsamarraie .

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To whom it may concern,

We would like it to be noted that we have absolutely no issue with a childminding business being run in our street by Tracy Ritchie.

Living directly opposite number 6, we have never had any issues regarding parking of cars. Pick ups and drop off times fall well within working hours during the day, and these pick ups and drop offs are brief. Parents never block our drive and are respectful of where residents usually park their own vehicles.

Likewise, we have had absolutely no issues with noise from the children attending for childminding.

As a working parents ourselves, we know that home childminders (like Tracy) are invaluable to facilitate parents returning to work.

Yours sincerely

Morag and Steven Reid