

29/9/16

To whom it may concern

When my mum [REDACTED] got ill with her Dementia that she could no longer live on her own in her home, even though she was in a residential complex (Woodview Swarcliffe).

It was devastating to all of us especially my mum, it was the hardest thing my sister and I have ever had to do, but we knew that it was the best thing for our mum.

Although it was difficult for my mum at first she soon came around to trusting and feeling comfortable with the Staff at the Green and we felt very comfortable in leaving her when we had visited.

We visited a few homes before we chose the Green and none of the homes we looked at gave us the feeling of a home.

My sister had worked at the Green for a few years so she knew mum would get the professional caring assistance she would require.

Mum has been a resident at the Green for 3 years now and is really happy and feels safe and we have never had to worry whether she is happy or not being cared for as we have seen at first hand how good the staff are.

I visit mum weekly and she is always clean and nicely dressed, and always very happy.

On many occasions when I visit there are activities going on such as singing, dancing, drawing and colouring which my mum loves, there are many of mums pictures that she has coloured hanging around the home which she is very proud of.

It is good to see the residents are not left to sit and vegetate unlike many of the other homes we visited previously.

The staff are not just carers they are part of mums family who she recognises and loves, and you can see she feels very safe around them.

For the home (their home) to be closed would cause so much trauma, confusion and stress to my mum and the other residents.

These people are humans not pets, they are Mothers, Fathers, Brothers and Sisters and I am disappointed that Adult Services are willing to treat people in this way despite your recommendations.

Anyone knows that the worst thing you can do with an Alzheimer's sufferer is to change their routine.

If you chose to close the home I am sure it will kill someone. The blame would lie with the Adult Services and the Executive Board decision on 21/9/16. Please review

Yours sincerely

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