# Appendix 3c: Consultation Petitions

# Home Lea House petition – online comments

Petition · Prevent the closure of Home Lea House, Rothwell. · Change.org

Total signatures - 1248

Number of comments – 139

Comments:

More elderly in society means more not less homes like this. Not everyone can live independently, a caring society and City (LEEDS) knows this and provides.

Why am I reading recent updates on numerous housing developments within Rothwell then reading that the council intend to close this amazing care home! This is the second one they have tried to close in recent years! The population of Rothwell is growing so where do they intend for us all to go when we reach an age where we depend on these services?! I know I would want to remain in this area where I was raised and where I've raised my children! Absolutely despicable of the Council!

This is a lovely place to live the staff are great and the cook is always baking buns, what is up with these people who want to close homes like these.

We know there is inadequate provision in the private sector and it is a total folly for the Labour Council to continue close public services when there is inadequate provision elsewhere. They did this at The Green in Seacroft decimating dementia provision. As an independent councillor I am very happy to sign this. It's a ridiculously short term view.

I'm signing because !! Whoever took the decision to close is a C\*\*T !!

They think Covid will be a smokescreen for them, absolutely disgusted

We do not want Home Lea to close down

How can closing Home Lea solve the care crisis in this country?! Ridiculous! Incomprehensible! My grandma was cared for here in her final years. More homes need to be provided by Leeds City Council, not fewer!

This place has been home to many local residents it is a disgrace that anyone would think of closing it

It's not fair that people homes where they are settled and looked after and you are going to unsettle them all just because u want to close it leave it open

The home is needed by many people. Closing will affect them, their families, the staff and the local area.

We need care homes more than ever

I know a lot of people want this to stay open

People deserved to be looked after in fabulous care homes such as Home Lea! Where is the council proposing they go?

This care home has provided excellent care for the elderly in this area for many years and it closure will mean another essential service closed for the most vulnerable in our community. Shame on those responsible who think this can be just sold off.

A lot of elderly people have lived in Rothwell and when the time would come where they need to be cared for I'm sure they would certainly wish to stay in their local village and be near family and friends. I know I would if it came to this.

Moves are detrimental to the health of elderly residents especially during a pandemic

We need care homes at all times x

Where are the elderly going to live and get together with the rest of the elderly residents. All the council want to do is cut back on everything

I'm signing this as this is a group of people's home, we are a community so sick together and remember morals

It needs to stay open

My friend's mum is here. It's a lovely home and well run. Feels like all the big consortiums are taking over and losing that family friendly touch

We need more elderly care places, not fewer, and the short-sightedness of LCC is dangerous.

If it is closed what happens to the residents. Let's think about them and not budget cuts. They elderly deserve the best. They are what makes a family and country whole

I am signing because this home means so much to friends and family, good nursing homes are hard to find and we need to keep them open

The closure of this home is a backward step and needs rethinking!

Vulnerable people need to be protected

Not enough homes, stupid to close this one

I'm old myself and this sounds like somewhere I would like to go

To maintain local provision of 24 hour care for those who need it.

Protect the elderly and vulnerable

Because LCC think they can treat our elderly and vulnerable with contempt and get away with it. We need good homes

My auntie is a resident here and has settled in so well

My dad stays there for respite care. It's so important for our family

My dad was cared for at home lea. The staff were lovely and gave me and my family reassurance he was safe.

Save our elderly care as it's needed so much.

My mum has advanced dementia and not long in the near future I will probably have to make the heart wrenching decision to put her in a home. Good nursing homes are hard to find and shutting them down is absolutely ridiculous. We need more good homes like these to stay open

We are an ageing population and need more homes like this rather than shutting them. Find other areas to save money

My grandma was looked after there and clearly there is a shortage in this country of residential care for the elderly. Should be expanding provision not closing homes!

Only heard good things about this home.

Care homes provide a vital service that is needed more than ever due to an ageing population. We need more not less.

There should always be care homes for vulnerable people

we need homes like this in our area please do not close Home Lea House

Don't take their home from them. The care of these vulnerable adults should come well before budget cuts.

My Mum is a resident at Home Lea and she is very settled there. It has an outstanding CQC report and fabulous staff. After being isolated for so long due to covid, it's the worst thing that could be happening to them at this time. We must fight this closure.

I had a dear friend whose mum was a resident here. Local homes for local people need to remain part of the community.

My father in law is here, happy and settled, he has lived in Rothwell all his life, this will be a huge upset if he has to move elsewhere.

My grandad is happy and settled here

I signed because not only is it the most stupid idea ever under present circumstances, I'm sure they could find other areas within their own organisation that wastes our hard-earned money to make cuts.

Would be a shame to close.

It is a fantastic home best in the area would be sinful to shut it.

It is a needed residence in the area.

As it's taxpayer funded, I as a taxpayer say no to its closure.

My grandma is a resident!

This is a well-run home leave it alone if the council stop putting asylum seekers in motels that will more than pay for the home

I don't think they should close any care homes as we need them to protect our elderly people and their families also more people will lose more jobs and we have lost enough places and jobs already

Too many care homes are closing down and they are needed more than ever. My dad only spent a few months in a home before he passed away but I remember him saying that he wished he had done it much sooner because he wasn't so lonely there.

It's their home.

Home Lea House is a valuable community asset and should be kept open

We need more homes for our elderly

I think it would be very unfair to close it down.

Please keep it there

I know of 2 people who received excellent care here. It is a vital place in the community and to close it would be a disgrace. These are people not just numbers.

There needs to be council funded care homes for those not fortunate enough to have £££££ set aside or a house to sell to pay for a place in a private care home, where money comes before care I care

This is part of the heritage of Rothwell.

Why is it always the elderly to suffer. They've paid all their lives, this is their home. Don't take it away from them

Because our elderly need more homes like this one. There is no need for it to close at all

There are other areas Leeds City Council could make savings but elderly care should not be one of them. With an increasing population of older people, this is exactly the area we need to be spending on long term future goals putting people before profits. Where do you expect those residents to go? Please consider the impact on the local community there in an already challenging time ahead and the residents in their last few years if life.

We need this care home.. Too many are closing in an ageing population. It's not good business sense at all.

We should be building more care homes not closing them. What are the residents supposed to do ?

Home Lea is a much needed home in this area, staff are great, would be awful to lose such a caring home

Leeds City Council have forgotten those that they serve. They should hang their collective heads in shame

We love Home Lea.

I have worked here whilst the home I worked at was getting renovated and the staff were so caring not only about their residents but about their staff also .. it's like one massive family vibe & they do loads of fund raising so they can take them on trips out ... please do not shut this home, just think of the residents being isolated because of covid19 & now they're losing home/family /friends if you close this home. You're making a massive mistake and we will see a lot of deaths but not to covid19 but to broken hearts...

I may need this lovely care home myself in the future

Closing a lovely care home where so many happy people live is ludicrous! These are people not piles of rubbish that can be just moved on with no care or thought for the trauma and upset it will cause.

Home Lea has been there for all my life the staff are amazing and this is a vital service for our elderly. Closing this place would be devastating for staff residents current and the future. Look after our elderly and the people who care for them

A vital local resource.

This home has been there for years, it's people's home, needs to stop open

We need care homes in the area. Why close an excellent facility that is giving outstanding service Disgusting, Leeds City Council has the best care

They were amazing with both my grandma and grandad. They are wonderful and a much needed service for our community.

I have someone in this home and it's a lovely place, he's settled. This damn country, government, council NEVER learn. It's more homes we need with more investment and facilities. For gods sake stop ripping everything and everyone apart

I visited there as community nurse. The staff were a brilliant..

When i worked as a community staff nurse many years ago this was a fantastic place. The staff were outstanding. It will be tragic for the residents to loose there home and their families

Leeds city council has closed down too many homes already Home Lea is the only home left in Rothwell for the local community.

This is a beautiful and well looked after care home also is part of the Rothwell community. It's short sighted to close council run care homes.

My father is in home lea and he loves it it would be a massive shame to close now

Some years ago Leeds City Council declared that they wanted to be "The" dementia friendly city in the UK. The way this announcement has been made, hidden away, under the news of today is shambolic. People are living longer, more are being diagnosed with dementia, and more will be requiring the specialist care needed. Familiarity and routine are important to those with dementia, especially as many have not seen family for many months, any move now will certainly have an impact on their well being.

My sister here and just settled in after losing her mum after living with her for 70+ years, please don't take her safety net away

This home has been part of Rothwell for as long as i can remember there are never enough places for the elderly were they can feel safe in there elderly years so why close down a good thing that they have and upset the residents in there later years

Good care homes & staff are very few & far between unlike private care homes that are more interested in making money than actually caring about their residents.

One if the best care homes in Leeds. Put care before money.

It's important.

This is their home.

That's the easy option. Think harder.

It's an essential part of Rothwell community

South of the Aire also needs residential care.

The residents have contributed all their life and now the Councils are effectively stealing all their input. The government just want to euthanise the elderly and keep reducing funding!

I lived in Rothwell for much of my life and my parents still live there. I remember going to Home Lea to do school concerts and seeing the care the residents received. To rip them from the place they are comfortable and where they feel safe is disgraceful. Never forgetting the families, you will destroy as they watch their loved ones crumble or (staff) lose their jobs. This is not about one issue, it's about a myriad. Hang your heads in shame for treating people like this!!

Nooo! People who now live there depend on the security and support provided by Home Lea. An enforced removal of vulnerable elderly people who will be confused and even more devastated through the lack of contact with family and friends. It does not bear thinking about and would be the ultimate betrayal

We cannot afford to lose such a vital and well-loved service

It would be a real shame to see such a wonderful place closed. Many people rely on these to keep family local and well card for. Its one of the better care facilities in Leeds.

It's just not the time to close care and support venues and homes

My Grandma lives here.

My grandma is in this home, it's the happiest she has been in years and she has met some lovely people. Why do this to these residents who are settled, cared for exceptionally by amazing carers?

Too many homes for the elderly are closed with little consideration of the consequences for the residents they care for! Please do not close this care home in Rothwell

Residents should not be part of any "Budget Plan" ... it is their Home ... Please do not let this happen ..

This home is lovely, the staff are amazing and it would be such a loss for the lovely residents that live there it's there home :(

Supporting friends who have family in this lovely local care home

People's lives should not be part of a "Budget Plan" ...

Supporting family

Home lea house provides a vital local service

My sister Laura Harwood is a resident there

It should not be closing, we need more not less nursing homes

Rothwell must continue to provide a safe environment for our elderly community. I don't understand the rationale for the proposed closure but I know that this is a much needed service.

Why would you close it, just don't

They elderly need to be taken care of and this home is a wonderful part of our community.

Please do not close

We need local care homes for the local elderly people

Care homes are needed in this community!

We need places like this in our area for our elder family members

My nan is is there and she is very settled and well looked after by all staff

This is a valuable part of the community and is much needed

Extremely needing this in the area. Why do they have to do this, or is it all about the money again for the council?

This is a vital local service

Home Lea provides exceptional care for our community

This wonderful home is a large part of the community and needs to stay

My Aunt spent her last happy years in Home Lea House. This is a vital service for the Rothwell community. We need Home Lea House, there is always a waiting list for places demonstrating a need for this service.

Care homes are needed more than ever this has always been a good place

This is a lovely care home and it's amazing for the community to help our vulnerable

Because it's needed

Home Lea is a wonderful home for elderly residents we shouldn't be losing such a vital service This is vital to the older people in this area.

Care homes are needed now more than ever. The staff obviously care for their residents. Budgets can be easily cut elsewhere.

During the current problems we should be supporting those with dementia and their families, not trampling on them.

## **Richmond House petition – online comments**

Petition · Proposed closure of Richmond House in Farsley · Change.org

Total signatures - 1178

Number of comments – 90

Comments:

We need Richmond House, especially in view of the Pandemic

We need to look after our elderly

We're signing because my mum stayed here. It's such a community building- with fabulous personal care

I'm signing because it is a wonderful local service. My grandma was looked after there, such high standard of service

My Mum was cared for wonderfully by the staff after having a hip operation. A vital service both for the residents and local community.

This is crazy it is a well-used home and a step up to people getting back to their own independent living after an illness or fall.

Moving frail, elderly people at any time, is traumatic and particularly in a pandemic - distressing for residents and their families.

A friend of mine had a short stay in this care home after being placed there from hospital after a fall at home. She made great progress with her rehabilitation while there and was able to return home successfully in a planned way with carers. Many more people need to get back home in this way instead if being put in private care homes subsidised by the Council.

A vital service both for the residents and local community.

Want to save Richmond House

It's the only Council run local one with a good reputation

Richmond house provides much needed care and respite to the elderly. Instead of closing all these facilities we need to be supporting them and keeping them open. Some of these people will have been there for years and having to move and get used to change will be so stressful for some of these poor people!

Cutting back facilities doesn't create job and doesn't help the local community. The government can do better then closing this place.

These homes are needed and those there I feel be very upset to move

This place is so needed for our elderly as LCC have closed most of the others, it's a good place for rehabilitation to get people back into the comfort of their own homes.

Because it needed in the community

I care

My grandad stayed here and they don't a fabulous job!

This is a vital resource for the local area which is needed for supporting the most vulnerable and should not be closed.

You can't just close it, where do the elderly go? To strange places they don't know, they will die from upset. Like a member of my family did

Much needed facility for local people.

Try to keep all good care homes open. Communities need them.

This is a fantastic facility run by people who really care about the vulnerable people in our community.

It's a valued part of Farsley

It's a much needed service, especially in these times

I want to see our community built on and our older people looked after. Not everything closed and demolished!

We really do need this, in fact we need more places like this!

No care home should be closed

its a disgrace that you are trying to close Richmond House once more.

We need more care homes for the elderly not less.

It's a lovely place of retired of the elderly

There aren't enough care facilities as it is. This needs to stay open for the community who need the services it offers.

Residential and care homes are needed more than ever with an ever-increasing ageing population Elderly people need safe local places to live in comfort the life they deserve

So many Farsley and Pudsey residents rely on Richmond House, it is needed!

Residential homes are essential part of the community, especially for those unable to be cared for by relatives. 'Care from the cradle to the grave' was a slogan we're familiar with and wish to see it lived up to.

I'm from Farsley and can't bear the thought of this closing unnecessarily.

My grandma lives in a care home and if hers was made to close lots of people would have nowhere to live

This is short sighted in every aspect and everyone will agree we all get older discriminative to say the least

The people deserve the best care possible in our area.

This is a great care home and heart of Farsley community.

This facility is essential for the wellbeing of the local community.

Now more than ever these facilities are desperately needed to help the elderly and their families

My friend was in Richmond house for months after an operation, the staff provided excellent care. This is short sightedness on Leeds city council If it was not for places like Richmond House offering care for those that need it, people would end up staying in hospital for longer periods, bed blocking, which in the end would be more costly.

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It is much needed to care for our elderly population. Please LCC why are you aiming to close this and the one at Rothwell? We are living longer and we need a place for our increasing older population that will otherwise have to take up a place in hospital as they cannot afford private care.

Richmond House provides high quality respite and short term care and assessment for elderly people. It was purpose built and has a spacious and comfortable feel which gives residents dignity and care.

Richmond House is a valuable asset to the are fabulous staff and care

Just think Councillors, you might need it yourselves one Day. You can destroy the City Centre and spend over £20m doing it and at the same time say you have no money for such as this! Lies, all of it.

Richmond House has cared for many people over the years. It should be allowed to continue its work! We are losing too many of our much needed Care Homes

Especially at this particular time this closure makes no sense whatsoever. The wellbeing of residents must be first priority not money.

We need more places like this not less

This facility is needed in the area to cut down on travel for elderly family and friends. It is well located with good transport links and parking

This is upsetting people's lives, especially the elderly!

This is a much needed, and loved, care home, locally used and a local asset.

Our elderly are not disposable

We need our elderly to be safe in their home. There are far too few good ones and this deserves to stay open

It's paramount to have this facility for the local people

This is a very valuable asset within the community.

It needs to be saved for the older generation in the community

My dad was in there and it's a vital service that can't be lost

It's a ridiculous, short sighted idea.

We need to keep places like this open – wonderful place and one of the best in my opinion - looked after my dad amazingly

Richmond House provides an excellent service to those who need it.

Its been there many years and used by patients all over Yorkshire it will be very sad if this closes. I have many a memorable day there visiting from school n the harvest festival

And the staff provide such care. Don't let it close. .

This service is needed now more than ever

Was very convenient when my mother in law needed respite care

Does so much good for the community

It's much needed, for the residents it gives them hope and reassurance they will be cared from We need this resource in our area. My dad would have been lost in the system when he came out of hospital a few years back.

We need to keep this in our community it is a great help for people in their time of need.

It offers a vital service to the area and was a blessing when my father was ill with Parkinson's giving my mum the much needed respite

I think its disgusting they are wanting to close this place

We need this home to remain a home

Very important to the local community

Farsley needs Richmond house

There are too many closures of homes. More are needed.

Simply I think it's disgusting that you're taking this home away from the elderly who have most likely lived most of their lives in Farsley. You should be ashamed of yourselves, corrupt idiots

We have lost too many valuable adult social care services. Let's not reduce services provided by statutory services to zero, we are failing the vulnerable in our society.

This is a much needed resource for the area

Leeds city council have just scrapped a clean air zone vanity scheme at a cost of millions but when it comes to looking after the elderly "we've got to cut costs"

People of Farsley depend on this home so they can stay in the village they've been all their lives, which is everything, Farsley is more than a place to live, it's home and memories

This is a lifeline to patients recovering they need the transition from hospital to home especially if theres no one there when they get home

I object to this fantastic local provision being decommissioned - it is the only local respite care available and is desperately needed.

We need to retain local services for local people

Because we need this home it's a community resource that Leeds City council have failed to promote

This home was a life saver for us when we needed it for my mum who had Parkinson's. Lovely, homely and caring staff. Not just left to sit in a chair. We loved going to visit.

The elderly a soft target, time we stood up, enough is enough.

Our elderly needs one where safe to live.

## **GMB Petition – 390 signatures**

#### Submitted as an exported PDF

#### Comments

So disappointed that it has got to the point of cutting homes for older people. The system is broken.

Solidarity from Leeds TUC.

Care facilities are our lifeline.

We have seen how great the private sector is. Low pay, long hours and lack of necessary kit and little scrutiny or accountability.

Solidarity to one of my favourite cities.

The last thing to go is not the lights, it's the care homes. Stop it!

For the good of our communities, Leeds Trade Unionists should support the GMB.

We are in the middle of a pandemic and have a proposal to close care homes for the most vulnerable people in society, it is wrong and we need to stop accepting the funding cuts imposed on local authorities by fighting back.

Labour Councillors do not make cuts in my name as a Labour Party member and Trade Unionist. We need to publicly fight against cuts. I am a member of Leeds Labour Representation Committee and we will support any Trade Unions and campaign groups organising against cuts.

The private sector is not fit for purpose. The closure of the OAP homes in Leeds was the Council's worse decision ever.

Our elderly have given so much, when it's time to give a little back you can't just say no and forget what they have given. Disgraceful Leeds. I know the twits in London pull the strings, so push for a united Yorkshire to hold your own purse strings and tell London to get lost.

I worked in older people's services for many years and have seen the impact of closing people's homes where they feel safe and supported by people they have come to see as family. It is devastating.

Care homes have been hit far too much, they should be supported and protected.

We must protect our local authority communities before they are stripped bare. Private sector is a business run purely for shareholders pockets.

Leeds needs these essential services, please avoid closures.

This is very sad to hear, it is always the vulnerable and elderly that suffer! The elderly that have worked hard all their lives to be treated like this and the staff that have cared for them throughout this pandemic now face losing their jobs, it's very disappointing.

I am disgusted, closing the homes.

We need to look after the customer and take care of them. If they move from one home to another they will possibly pass away.

Not the right time!! Never the right time!!

Whoever has decided the closures should hang their heads in shame. It's always the elderly and the most vulnerable that takes a hit.

Devastating news. What has happened to duty of care?

We need council care homes. Too many closing, for the residents and staff.

Keep them open.

I'm at one of the facilities - worked tirelessly through this pandemic on the front line putting myself and family members at risk, sacrificed so much of myself willingly and with loyalty by completing lots of extra Covid related duties and restricted myself from going anywhere and doing anything other than work and home in an effort to keep my customers safe only to be told that a proposal of closure has been submitted to the executive board. I then read in the tabloids that 600 jobs are to be axed - so how do I and my colleagues feel right now??

betrayed......worthless...... used...... for many of us this is not the first time we have faced this awful situation.

Let's all sign and stop this from happening.

Very sad, great service and staff.

Keep the care homes open.

Decisions made by people wealthy enough to never feel its consequences.

We need care homes for our vulnerable people. They need to feel they have care and support and be around people to give them some life.

Keep open, the governments shut everything down.

Devastating.

Everyone needs to sign this to stop closures.

It's disgusting that they always pick on the most vulnerable people in society and they always get away with it. We need stick together to protect them.

Everyone needs to sign this to stop closures.

It's an absolute disgrace the closure of the homes.

It's ridiculous that these care homes are being threatened with closure, especially in these chaotic times, where care homes are invaluable.

It would be devastating if it was your mother or father who was having to undergo such a traumatic experience. Older people can't cope with changes like this. If it was the case that the Council had decided to renovate the properties, that could be done incrementally, with support from staff. If they wanted to close the care homes, the Council should phase them out, gradually over time.

There is nowhere for the elderly to go if government is closing homes down. It's always elderly that has to suffer.

I totally agree with GMB stance on this matter.

Appalling.

Don't close them.

Stop closure of the 3 care homes.

The passion the adults and young people show throughout this pandemic in the nursing homes has not shone as much as it should have. A massive shout out for the legends who were left behind. Keep fighting for justice, every one matters, love and happiness will defeat the bugs!!!!!!!!!!

My sister works in one of these care homes and all the hard work for the residents in protecting them from Covid whilst maintaining the standard of care they provide, whilst living with the increased risk themselves, they should be rewarded for their efforts. This does not feel right.

Appalled to hear this news. C19 has been the excuse to dismantle so many services of care and NHS.

Disgraceful.... Do the vulnerable in our city not count as citizens of our city.

Those older people need to be kept in their home especially as we are in Covid.

It's upsetting to see this sort of thing in this day and age.

Hope all the front line service's staff who make a difference to the people of Leeds can get through this uncertain and difficult time and can in time have a bright future to look forward to.

We need our care homes. Please consider the consequences if we shut our homes down. Some elderly people use this as their comfort zone. Please be considerate.

Homes are important for people who don't have family to care for them.

We need these facilities to help take the pressure off the hospitals.

It's a disgrace.

Disgusting.

We need these care homes for vulnerable elderly people. It's imperative that they stay open. Stop closure of care homes. Absolutely stunned. Why is it always the vulnerable that are penalised at a time when residents, staff and families have enough worries?

LCC have to claw back this deficit. It is a worrying time when much needed care homes become a target for austerity measures. These are front line provisions and the workers are doing a much needed service. Please allow them to continue in their posts; LCC you must reconsider.

Keep these places open and stop privatising care places. It's not a business, it's about CARING. LCC should be protecting the vulnerable.

We don't need more homes closing.

Care homes are important.

We need these homes, so why do you need to shut them. It's not right when you are shutting down. Where are people going to go?

I work in one of these buildings and I feel as though the money is more important than the PEOPLE that work there and most importantly the poor unforgettable PEOPLE that live in them, the ones that think they won't have to move again when they are settled and have trust in the PEOPLE that support them and the PEOPLE that the only family they have are the ones that support them and the YEOPLE'S mental health is not even taken notice of as when these PEOPLE have to move they will become only a shell and probably will be thinking "when will I have to move again?" So they will not be able to settle and relax. Anyway rant over as no matter what is said or done no one listens or even cares.

What's the point of anything if our final years are unhappy. It's more important we safeguard our elderly and ensure they benefit from their own contributions.

Absolutely disgusting!!!

There are not enough decent care facilities and resource centres around these days to provide the care and support these people need anyway. Absolute disgrace!

It's easy to fall out of society, not easy to get back in and with that is a much higher cost to be paid, both personal and loss of economic activity.

Appalling.

Disgraceful. We are still working through this pandemic. Coming to work to care for the vulnerable putting our own health at risk and the health of our own families.

Just where do they think these people are going to go. Generally elderly and vulnerable people do not like change of any kind.

Must be saved.

Really bad.

Services for our elders and vulnerable citizens need to remain as for a lot it is their only human contact that day.

They are the only care homes I would trust with my relatives, the rest are just money grasping institutions.

A travesty! With this government it's always the vulnerable who suffer!

It's sad to hear this.

This is disgusting. The old and vulnerable need looking after. How can they justify closing homes down.

It is disgraceful that yet again the elderly and the vulnerable are cast to one side to save money along with dedicated staff set to lose jobs. Everything should be done to stop this. You have my support.

These care homes should be the last places the Council should look to save money by closures, surely it's a civilised society's duty to provide decent adequate care to residents of Leeds.

It's a shame that the Tories are treating our elderly like this. Some have been through wars, paid their taxes and national insurances, to be now slapped in the face. The government really needs to hold their heads in shame.

We can't afford to lose any more care homes. Where are the elderly supposed to live out their lives. They will have worked all their lives and end up getting pushed all over the place.

My mum has been a devoted care worker for Leeds City Council for nearly 30 years.

I have worked in dementia for twenty years and with LCC they won't stop until they're all closed, after all elderly people can't fight back.

All LCC want to do is save money again. Not considered the residents who live there and once again they have the money to waste on Leeds city centre work. Just not fair.

Outrageous.

Been out there from day one of lockdowns from Covid-19. I don't think and feel like I've been appreciated. I am worried and concerned about my working future and income, my mental health has also suffered due to worrying, but I'm still here working hard for LCC.

My mother is in a nursing home. The waiting times for places are agonising, worrying about your loved one being safe.

We need to protect our vulnerable people.

We need these to look after our parents and grandparents to know they are safe and cared for.

Care homes will be required in the future after this pandemic is over and if we start losing them now, we will increase the care crisis in the longer term.

My late grandma worked at Richmond House, Pudsey for many many years. You can't shut it down, it's a much needed home that is usually to full capacity.

I agree wholeheartedly, far too many homes and facilities have been shut down over the past few years, leaving the elderly and the vulnerable sad and confused. You have my backing all the way. Stop this barbaric treatment to our elderly.

It's disgusting, our elderly and vulnerable need support, shutting down care homes is appalling. We need to support all staff and service users.

Keep council carers.

I think we are seeing the true face of Conservative, caring yet again!

This cannot be right! What are the cared for and carers supposed to do? My lovely late Grandma lived at Richmond House and couldn't have been treat better, keep these homes open!

I have elderly parents and if they were to need to go in to a care home, it would not be in the local area of Rothwell where they live, and have friends and family.

Been there myself, when they closed the home I work in. It's not a nice thing to go through, hopeful that won't come to that for them.

These care establishments are where I live, this effects lots of people in my community, this cannot be right, outrageous!!!

Years of Tory cuts to local authority funding has brought about this crisis in care facilities.

For staff this will be devastating financially and the mental health impact for staff and for service users.

The Tories clearly do not care about the elderly, vulnerable and hard working public sector workers.

We need these homes for our residents who get the best care that they deserve.

You have already lost the Labour seats in Rothwell and won't get them back making moves like this.

Don't be foolish.

Shut the Houses of Parliament. They don't do anything apart from sitting around and be given bonuses for doing jack.

I acknowledge the LA's financial pressures but also recognise the importance of homes such as these play in caring for the vulnerable in our society.

This should not be happening, typical of of Tory rule.

The elderly in these care homes are in the midst of a pandemic, they now should not be losing their homes.

LCC front line staff have risked their lives to keep these people safe, so we need to fight to keep their jobs.

Why would the Council sell their care homes when there is an intensive demand to house older people and those with disabilities? This in the long run will add additional pressures to local authorities' service in the future, also jobs will be lost in the process. What will happen to tenants and occupants who have had to use these types of facilities prior awaiting discharge for health reasons.

Need to keep all care in house not for private profit.

Sad times.

LCC must demand emergency funding from the Tory government. Our local authorities have been starved of funds for too long! End austerity now.

Why is Richmond House care home proposed for closure by Leeds City Council while they are still funding services for people leaving hospital and awaiting reassessment and review of their care plans in private care homes? This out-sourcing and privatisation should stop in order to save money and preserve the community facilities for rehabilitation and recovery of Leeds people.

I feel the decision to close at such an unprecedented moment in time is harsh. Keep the Council facilities open! It is so important to keep valuable public services operating.

We need these homes.

Where will vulnerable people who need these amenities go. How much has the government spent on Serco?

This is such a remarkable facility which is not available in many parts of the country. It would be a tragedy to lose it.

What a way to treat frontline staff after risking their lives to care for some of the most vulnerable people in society. I know the pandemic has had an effect on everyone, but to potentially lose your livelihood at any time is devastating. I hope that GMB fight this all the way.

Devastating news for so many in the elderly and disabled community. Really hope these care homes and Osmondthorpe HUB can stay open. Very sad for residents, service users and staff!

I have been working in this care home for the past 2 months and cannot believe they are going to close it. The elderly need looking after and this place is fantastic for them, they are all happy and content here.