

243062 - PROPOSED CHANGE OF USE FROM A SINGLE DWELLINGHOUSE (C3) TO 4 NO. APARTMENTS FOR THE USE AS ACCOMMODATION FOR TRANSITIONAL TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION, TO DEMOLISH THE EXISTING DETACHED GARAGE TO SITE A BESPOKE 'CONTAINER' CONVERTED FOR AND USE AS ACCOMMODATION FOR TRANSITIONAL TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION, AND ASSOCIATED OPERATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AT 7 BLACKFRIARS STREET, HEREFORD, HEREFORDSHIRE, HR4 9HS

For: Mrs Powell per Mr Robert Scott, Herefordshire Council, Plough Lane Offices, Plough Lane, Hereford, Herefordshire, HR4 0LE

OFFICER COMMENTS

In response to questions which were raised during the Site Inspection held on 8 April 2025, the applicant wishes to provide the following response:

"Thank you for the email. It's unfortunate that members are still focussing on the word container, what we are looking at is a modular pod. We haven't settled on a provider yet but I have attached a few photos of what the inside of a pod could look like."



"We are proposing a self-contained one bed unit, it will have a bedroom, kitchen, living area and bathroom. It is essentially a flat but separate from the main house. It will have all the facilities of a home and its own private access. The pod could be used for up to 2 years for each tenant. It will be highly insulated and if possible have a renewable source of energy."

To aid in terms of intended visualisation of its possible appearance, a photograph from the existing mobile building on Symonds Street, Hereford, is provided below:



Finally, and in light of the additional comments raised by the applicant above, to therefore ensure that the proposed 'container' provides sufficient accommodation for future occupiers, an additional condition is now recommended.

CHANGE TO RECOMMENDATION – additional recommended condition:

"Prior to first occupation of the 'container' as transitional temporary accommodation, an updated proposed floor plan of the 'container', or photographic evidence to confirm the installation of the bedroom; kitchen/living area; and bathroom/shower area for future occupiers, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Thereafter, these shall remain in situ for the lifetime of the development.

Reason: To ensure that there is sufficient amenities and liveability for future occupiers in terms of the accommodation being provided and to comply with Policy SD1 of the Herefordshire Local Plan – Core Strategy and the National Planning Policy Framework".