



The Eliminate Agenda

Scope for Intergenerational action?

12th November 2024

Eliminate Agenda

- Welsh Government's 'Programme for Government' – view that some private companies can make significant profits from accommodation, care and support for looked after children
- Commitment to eliminate private profit from care of looked after children by 2027

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- Regional partnership established in former Gwent area to develop solutions
- Team hosted by Newport City Council
- Melin partnership with Torfaen County Borough Council to meet specialist housing needs

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“Review and develop a broad range of accommodation for children looked after who require specialist provision in order to ensure consistency of placement and reduce profit in care by 2027”

(Torfaen CBC’s Delivery Plan 2024/25)

Greenhill Bungalow, Cwmbran



3 bedroom bungalow with double garage in residential area

Rear garden

Close to Cwmbran town centre and amenities

Potential for refurbishment to provide for children's home

Also close to Melin's Extra Care scheme

Ty Cae Nant

Greenhill Bungalow, Cwmbran

- Planning consent secured including converting garage into annex
- Purchase and refurbishment funded via Housing with Care Fund (HCF) and Melin private finance
- HCF available to Regional Partnership Boards to provide supported and specialist housing for people with care and support needs, including residential children's homes

Greenhill Bungalow, Cwmbran



Refurbishment completed in September 2024 by One Transformation Ltd

2 bedrooms in bungalow plus shared kitchen, living room and bathroom plus staff space/sleep-in room

Self-contained 1 bedroom annex

Greenhill Bungalow, Cwmbran



Long-term partnership agreement between Melin and Torfaen CBC's Children's Services

Midway Transitional Solutions commissioned by Torfaen CBC to provide on-site care and support

Affordable weekly rent

Specification to meet complex needs

Grant funding for furniture

Greenhill Bungalow, Cwmbran



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Official Opening – November 2024



“...works towards meeting Welsh Government’s not for profit agenda and ensures that children and young people can live within their community. By developing the best residential facilities closer to home, it will help us reduce our use of out of county placements which takes children away from their family and friends network.”

(Cllr Richard Clark, Torfaen’s Executive Member for Children, Families and Education)

Scope for Intergenerational Activity

- Well-established links between young people and Ty Cae Nant extra care scheme
- Potential to develop links with children at Greenhill Bungalow
- Can help increase confidence and challenge perceptions
- Helps reduce social isolation and loneliness
- Creating opportunities for children and young people to thrive

Thank you for listening.

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