



HOW

HOW Planning LLP

40 Peter Street  
Manchester M2 5GP  
T: 0161 835 1333  
F: 0161 835 1322  
howplanning.com

# PRESS RELEASE

May 2010

## All Smiles For How Planning

Manchester based HOW Planning has secured planning approval for a new NHS dental practice in Knaresborough, Yorkshire; the fifth successful application secured in the past 12 months on behalf of Integrated Dental Holdings (IDH Group).

IDH Group is one of the UK's leading dental groups with a network of 280 practices nationwide and continues to look for new sites for NHS dentistry where there is a lack of access for local communities.

HOW has been an integral part of this programme having already secured planning approval for premises in Ramsgate, East Church and Faversham in Kent and Barnoldswick in Lancashire. The applications were for a combination of extensions to existing properties and change of use with the most recent approval in Knaresborough converting from B1 office to D1 dental use.

Says Richard Barton, Principal Planner at HOW: "We have been working very closely with the IDH Group over the past twelve months and liaising with a number of different councils. Each application has had its own challenges but all have now been overcome and it is extremely satisfying that the fifth application has now been approved."

Philippa Barron from IDH adds: "We are delighted with the work that HOW has done. Some of the properties we identified for our expansion programme wouldn't normally be considered suitable for dental practices but HOW have put forward very strong arguments and we can now bring our NHS dentistry service to the local communities in these areas."

