NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

CABINET

Meeting: 29 January 2024

COMPLEX CARE CHILDREN'S CAMPUS

1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

- 1.1 To update Cabinet about the progress being made towards the completion of the Complex Care Children's Campus
- 1.2 To seek a Cabinet decision to adopt the proposed name for the new campus

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 The Complex Care Children's Campus at Alvingham Road when open will make provision for: -
 - Short Breaks for children with complex learning and physical disabilities in facilities that are fit for purpose and meet the future anticipated need
 - A place where Health can support parents to meet the changing medical needs of their children
 - Co-locate Health and care provision for long-term care
 - Provide an option for family space for children with life limiting conditions
 - Developing independent living skills for preparation for adulthood
 - 2.2 The project was joint funded by the Council and a grant from the Department for Education (DfE). Snagging is currently underway, and an opening date is expected soon.
 - 2.3 Young people and their families continue to be involved in the development of the campus, with current consultation areas including the final specification of the sensory areas.

2.4 Following consultation with children and families, the name 'Tree Tops' has been the most popular choice for the building and is our preferred option, with the individual units being named Nightingale, Robin, Butterfly and Hummingbird.

3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

3.1 <u>Option 1</u>

To confirm the name of Tree Tops for the new Complex Care Children's Campus, and to make plans for its opening.

3.2 Option 2

To offer an alternative name

4. ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS

4.1 Option 1

Celebrating the completion of the building and planning its opening event will strengthen our offer for parents and carers of children with complex needs. The newly completed campus will provide care and accommodation, short breaks, and family space for children enabling them to stay in their local community. Working with health to support families to access care for their children locally. Should it be needed, this will include end of life care for those with life limiting conditions. The naming of the new Complex Care Children's Campus is an essential element in families feeling a sense of involvement and connection with this new provision.

4.2 Option 2

Choosing to name the campus outside the preferences of consulted families would not be in line with the Council's values.

5. FINANCIAL AND OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (e.g. LEGAL, HR, PROPERTY, IT, COMMUNICATIONS etc.)

5.1 There are no financial or resource implications associated with this decision.

6. OTHER RELEVANT IMPLICATIONS (e.g. CRIME AND DISORDER, EQUALITIES, COUNCIL PLAN, ENVIRONMENTAL, RISK etc.)

6.1 N/a

7. OUTCOMES OF INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT (IF APPLICABLE)

7.1 N/a

8. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION AND CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARED

8.1 In November 2023 a consultation was undertaken with 135 families who currently access The Cygnets and the wider short breaks for children with disabilities, as to possible names for the new children's Campus and for the four units within the Campus. 41 families responded, with clear preferences identified.

9. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

9.1 To agree 'Tree Tops' as the name for the new Complex Care Children's Campus, and 'Nightingale', 'Robin', 'Butterfly' and 'Hummingbird' as the names for the four units within the Campus.

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Background Papers used in the preparation of this report - Nil