

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

PEOPLE CABINET MEMBER

KINGFISHER LODGE CHILDREN'S HOMES STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

- 1.1** To seek the approval for the Statement of Purpose for Kingfisher Lodge, Children's Home, in North Lincolnshire

2 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 Children's homes are required by the Children's Homes Regulations 2001 (updated 2011 and 2013) to have in place a Statement of Purpose that is reviewed on a regular basis and updated as appropriate.
- 2.2 The Statement of Purpose is an integral component of the annual inspections of the children's homes undertaken by OfSTED.

3. ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

- 3.1 Kingfisher Lodge Statement of Purpose has been prepared in order to meet Regulatory requirements. The Statement of purpose reflects the revised National Minimum Standards and Regulations which came into force in April 2011 and additional amendments required under Regulations coming into force on the 1st of April 2014. These place the child at the centre of planning and support and focus on safeguarding children and achieving positive outcomes.
- 3.2 In addition to this the Statement of Purpose reflects
- the current practice in the home, facilities and services (within the home and the local community) available to young people residing in the home,
 - on-going improvements and developments and
 - staff structure including the Responsible Individual and Registered Manager.

4. ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS

- 4.1 The Children's Homes Regulations 2011/2013 require that Children's Homes have in place a Statement of Purpose that is reviewed annually and updated to reflect any changes in staffing, practice or procedures.
- 4.2 If the Statement of Purpose is not updated and approved as above, the home will not meet its regulatory requirements
- 4.3 To meet these requirements, the Statement of Purpose may be accepted without changes, or amendments as deemed appropriate by the cabinet member will be included.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)

5.1 Financial

There are no resource implications.

5.2 Staffing

There are no staffing implications.

5.3 Property

There are no property implications

5.4 IT

There are no IT implications

6. OUTCOMES OF INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT (IF APPLICABLE)

- 6.1 There are no implications following the integrated impact assessment.
- 6.2 The Statement of Purpose is a requirement under the Children's Homes Regulations 2011/2013.
- 6.3 The Statement of Purpose for each home has to ensure it takes into consideration the child's individual needs including actions to keep children safe, promote positive relationships with the community and reduce offending.

7. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED

7.1 Children in the home were consulted in preparation of the Statement of Purpose.

7.2 There are no conflicts of interest

8 RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 That the People's Cabinet Member approves the Children's Home Statement of Purpose.

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Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

- Children's Homes Regulations (2011)
- Children's Homes (Amendment) Regulations 2013.